



## **AGENDA**

### **Rogers Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission**

**January 8, 2026 - 5:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. OPEN FORUM**

Individuals may address the Council about any item not contained on the regular agenda. A maximum of 10 minutes is allocated for the Forum. If the full 10 minutes are not needed for the Forum, the Mayor will continue with the agenda. If additional time is needed for the Forum, the Council will continue the Forum following Other Business on the agenda. The Council will take no official action on items discussed at the Forum, with the exception of referral to staff or Commission for future report.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

**4. APPROVE AGENDA**

Council members may add items to the agenda for discussion purposes or staff direction only. The Council will not normally take official action on items added to the agenda.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

These items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed elsewhere on the agenda.

5.1 Approval of Minutes

**6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

6.1 2026 Annual Appointments

6.2 2026 Entertainment in the Park Partnership with Rogers Lions Club

6.3 2025 Work Plan/2026 Work Plan Draft

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS**

8.1 Correspondence

## 9. ADJOURN



**STAFF REPORT**  
**ROGERS PARKS AND  
RECREATION ADVISORY  
COMMISSION**

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2026

**Agenda Item:** 5.1

**Subject:** Approval of Minutes

**Prepared By:** Marcy Dalchow, Public Works Administrative Assistant

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**Overview / Background / Analysis**

**Staff Recommendation**

**Financial Impact:**

**Source Fund:**

**Budgeted?**

**Supporting Documentation**

A. December 11 2025 Park Commission Minutes

**Park and Recreation Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes  
December 11, 2025**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Park and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) meeting of the City of Rogers was called to order by Vice-Chair Warfeild on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 5:30pm in the Public Works Breakroom at 22350 South Diamond Lake Road, Rogers MN, 55374.

**Roll Call**

Dale Fuller	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner – Chair	Absent
Peggy Warfield	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner - Vice Chair	
Paul Hacker	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner	
Judi Volkers	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner	
Mike Volkers	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner	
Sam Okland	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner	
Chris Morrow	Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner	
Shannon Klick	Rogers City Council – Mayor	
Amy Enga	Rogers City Council	
Mike Bauer	Parks and Recreation Director	
Marcy Dalchow	Public Works Administrative Assistant	
Havana Hanson	Recreation & Facilities Coordinator	
Van Satlak	Sunny Side & Henry’s Woods Parks	
Abigail Rielly	PRAC Student Liaison Candidate	

**2. OPEN FORUM** None

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

**3.1 Meet and Greet with the Student Liaison Candidate**

We have one application for the student liaison position. Abigail Riley, a sophomore at Rogers High School. Abigail has been involved with the YMCA Youth in Government program for about three years. She is interested in community involvement and local advocacy.

A Commissioner asked Abigail, “What is your three-to-five-year professional goals? Is this something you that interests you for future?”. Abigail responded, “I just find it really interesting to see what's going on in the community. I feel like I don't hear too much about it, and I just want to know more of the inner goings on in Rogers. I've lived here for 13 years in the same house, and I attend all the town events, so I am just curious how it'll go down.”

No other questions were asked. The formal appointment process is on the agenda for later in the meeting.

**4. APPROVE AGENDA**

**4.1 Approval of Consent Agenda** Approved as submitted

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

**5.1 Approval of the September 2025 PRAC Minutes and October Fieldhouse Tour Notes**

Motion to approve the September 2025 Minutes and the October Fieldhouse Tour Notes by Morrow, seconded by Okland. Motion carried 6/0.

**6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**6.1 Indoor Playground Adult/Supervisor Admission Fee Review**

Commissioner J. Volkers recommended we have a discussion regarding the admission price for the indoor playground at the Fieldhouse, specifically, whether adults should be charged an entry fee. Staff has received multiple emails and onsite feedback expressing frustration with fees for adults. Commissioners are concerned charging adults discourages proper supervision and families may not go to the facility due to high total costs for a family. Originally adult admission fees were in place considering capacity regulations. Attendance currently averages 30–40/day (far under total upper-level capacity of 123). Current admission prices are \$5 for residents and \$7 for non-residents. Children under two years old are free with a paid adult.

There was much discussion as to how we originally came up with the admission prices, building, and mezzanine capacity and, how to manage capacity numbers. As well there was discussion about people who work at a business in Rogers using a business address to walk for free on the track. This is allowed., if you work at a business in Rogers, you may walk for free during your lunch or before and after work. This led to further discussion on facility rentals. Currently some checking is done to see if the address given is in Rogers or in a surrounding community with a Rogers mailing address.

After these discussions the decision to stop charging for adults who are only there to supervise children was unanimous. Staff will implement the change as soon as legally permitted; formal fee schedule update will follow pending attorney and finance confirmation.

Motion to recommend to Council we stop charging supervising adults and continue to charge the same rates that we have currently established by Morrow, seconded by M Volkers. Motion carried 6/0.

### **6.2 Consider Revised Option for Dutch Knolls Equipment Replacement**

Dutch Knolls Park previously included an X-Wave play feature that was removed from this playground due to safety concerns. Based on PRAC input, staff worked with Flagship Recreation to refine their design to include a combination of motion and cooperative-play elements consistent with the preferred features from prior options.

The new recommended equipment includes a teeter-totter (We-Saw), spinner (Double Bobble Rider) and a traditional slide (72" Wave Poly Slide), (replacing the design that previously raised safety concerns). The PRAC approved the new equipment options.

Motion to recommend Council approve the purchase of the final design options for Dutch Knolls Park by Morrow, seconded by J. Volkers. Motion carried 6/0.

### **6.3 Consider North Community Park Playground Options**

North Community Park (NCP) is currently the City's largest and oldest park. Several pieces have been removed due to safety reasons and lack of replacement parts. The existing equipment is aging and no longer meets modern accessibility standards. In November of 2025, the City of Rogers issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the full replacement of the NCP playground in 2026, including the conversion of the existing sand area to be made into a water misting feature. The Capital Improvement Plan includes \$1 million for the playground replacement.

Staff asked the PRAC to select 2-3 final designs. Staff will schedule a follow-up meeting for final design selection in early 2026.

The consensus of the PRAC was they liked playground options provided by Game Time and St Croix for the new playground at NCP. Commissioners would like to see shade structures, slides, poured in place rubber, inclusive play features, the rocking car, connected climbing structures with platforms and bridges vs. ropes, multiple slide options to include enclosed tubes, water/misting feature and a potential "Nordic theme with blues and grays for colors, drinking and dog drinking options.

This park will include a water/misting feature which is intended as a cooling station rather than a splash pad. The PRAC expressed concern that the misting features in other city's parks are inoperable at times and that other cities report frequent repairs. They would like to check into why this happens. They also want to be sure the surface of the misting area is not slippery. Bauer responded, essentially, it is the same surface type as the splash pad at Lions Central Park so if algae doesn't grow on it and it stays clean, it should be okay.

Recognizing the size and cost of this project, commissioners support community involvement. An open house will be held inviting the chosen vendors to present their final design concepts to the public and the PRAC. The PRAC would like to provide the public with some choices for certain playground pieces.

#### **6.4 Selection of Preliminary Design Sunnyside Park Playground Replacement**

There is a budget of \$275,000 to \$300,000 for playground replacement at Sunnyside Park in 2026. After design review and discussion, the Commission liked option 2 by Game Time and the option on page 134 of the packet provided by St. Croix Recreation. The PRAC prefers "sunny" colors.

#### **6.5 Consider the Updated Plan for Crow River Heights Park**

The Crow River Heights Park playground was identified for replacement in 2023. A meeting with the residents of Crow River Heights was held earlier and they wanted to keep their new playground design very simple.

Originally the removal and installation of playground equipment was planned to be done in house. Now, Public Works Staff has recommended a turnkey installation by a certified playground manufacturer and installer. This will allow their staff more time to work on trails.

After review of the playground design prepared by Landscape Structures, Option 2 was selected. The PRAC prefer river, blue or natural colors (see the blue in their option 2 drawings for Sunnyside) and possibly a water theme for this park. A possible trail and overlook area could be done by city staff.

#### **6.6 Consider the Student Liaison Application**

The Student Liaison position serves as a non-voting member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission. This position also provides youth perspective on park planning, programming, facility operations, supports leadership development for local students and encourages civic engagement within the community.

Abigail Reilly was introduced earlier in the meeting and expressed her interest in this position. The PRAC approved her application and invited her to be their Student Liaison.

Motion to recommend Council appoint Abigail Reilly as the Student Liaison for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission by J. Volkers, seconded by Morrow. Motion passed 6/0.

#### **6.7 Consider Summer Rental Request for South Community Park Rink(s)**

Staff received an inquiry from the Assistant Varsity Lacrosse Coach at Rogers High School to use the outdoor hockey rinks at SCP during the summer months to introduce box lacrosse for youth and high school players. The request includes three weeknights per week, initial use of one rink, with a request to expand to a second as participation grows.

Staff sought direction from the PRAC on whether to proceed with negotiations and schedule review for the proposed program rental.

Staff reminded the PRAC we still have issues with the rink surfaces and one of the rinks meant to be open for roller hockey during the summer, and the other rink was going to be used for pickleball.

The PRAC was concerned about lacrosse balls hitting the boards, Mike Bauer stated these were not much different than a hockey puck. The bigger concerns of the PRAC are the limited amount of parking available at SCP at this time and that the park and its rinks should be available for public use, not constant programming.

This rental request was denied by the PRAC at this time.

### **6.8 Consider Park and Parking Lot Lighting Plans**

Staff has had discussions to expand or improve lighting within City parks, trails and associated parking areas. Use of these amenities during the early morning and evenings continue to grow. Lighting is a consistent topic raised by residents in conversations related to comfort and perceived safety withing the park system.

Staff is seeking input on priorities to help guide future planning, budgeting and implementation of lights.

The PRAC suggested prioritizing lighting for, parking, event spaces especially where evening events occur and select trails with heavy use at night,(if neighbor impact is minimal). A few areas thought of initially were Augusta Trail, NCP, the Event Center and Tennis Club. Cost sharing with the Tennis Club was discussed. The PRAC is in favor of solar lighting or a combination of solar and fixtures.

It was decided we need updated pricing, and fixture counts to make informed decisions.

### **6.9 2025 Work Plan Reviewed**

Highlights:

- Staff received an email today notifying us that we will not receive the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant for the ice arena expansion.
- We were successful in getting a \$250,000 Mighty Ducks Grant through the State of Minnesota for rink expansion.
- Punch list items remain for Territorial Park.
- Staff is in the process of verifying all trees and other plantings meet size and quantity specifications.
- Our new Public Works Superintendent is obtaining pricing for a citywide tree inventory. The estimated cost is \$100k–\$200k. Some grants may be available (\$5k–\$50k) but will cover only a small portion of overall cost.
- Trail work to be done in 2026 - Trail reconstruction between North Community Park & Mallard Estates, South Community Park trail loop completion (from Elm Parkway to ballfields) and other general trail maintenance.
- The 2026 Work Plan will be reviewed during the January meeting.

### **7. OTHER BUSINESS None**

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS**

### **8.1 Correspondence and Staff Update Reviewed**

Highlights:

- There have been on-going concerns of residents who live by the Territorial Park regarding privacy. Tree sizing will be checked to make sure they are as tall as they were to be supposed to be and staff is check to see if the telescope may be moved or replaced so it isn't pointed towards houses.

- Community members frequently ask some Commissioners about the logos on the fieldhouse. They asked if it was okay to explain to them sponsors paid naming-rights to have their logo on it. The answer was yes, TruStone Financial is paying \$1.5M and Health Partners is paying \$350k for the field house and \$350k for Rink 2 expansion. Total naming rights revenue target is \$3M over 20 years. It should also be stated this is a Local Option Sales Tax funds project, not paid for by property taxes. Originally the project was originally 7.8 million, now we're pretty close to 13 or \$14 million.
- Forty-four new trees were planted in South Community Park. These trees were donated to the City by the Rogers Rotary by means of a rotary grant. Total project cost: \$12,500 (trees, mulch, planting materials). Public Works Staff planted the trees and installed the mulch. Plaques will be ordered to put by the trees in recognition of the Rotary's donation and a social media post will be done as well.
- The Daddy-Daughter Dance and Skate with Santa events were very successful.
- The Tree Lighting was also successful with approximately 400-500 people in attendance. We did however experience audio issues due to the new tree location and didn't have hot chocolate and cookies due to a miscommunication with the Lions Club. Staff will check in with the Lions to see if they want to participate in this event next year or we will fund these refreshments ourselves.
- This year we are hosting a Winter Farmers Market. So far attendance (one market) has been low, but we are planning to increase the promotion of the market and hope it grows.
- Event Center revenue has been higher than any other year.
- Staff is working to transition the sign-up process for senior events to on-line registration. Senior trips and events have been well attended.
- Council Member Enga has identified possible new sources of grants. She will forward this information to City Staff.

## **9. ADJOURN**

Motion to Adjourn at 7:30pm by Morrow, seconded by Okland. Motion carried 6/0.



**STAFF REPORT**

**ROGERS PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2026

**Agenda Item:** 6.1

**Subject:** 2026 Annual Appointments

**Prepared By:** Mike Bauer, Parks & Recreation Director

**Recommended Council Action**

**Overview / Background / Analysis**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission comprises seven voting members from the City of Rogers, a non-voting student liaison, and a primary and secondary City Council liaison. The voting members' terms are three years long, and two or three members' terms expire each year. Members may request reappointment after their term; if recommended by the Commission and approved by the City Council, they will be seated for an additional three-year term.

<u>Member</u>	<u>(Term Expires)</u>	<u>Reappoint</u>
Dale Fuller	(2025)	Yes/No
Judi Volkens	(2025)	Yes/No
Peggy Warfield	(2026)	NA
Chris Morrow	(2026)	NA
Paul Hacker	(2027)	NA
Mike Volkens	(2027)	NA
Sam Okland	(2027)	NA

Student Liaison:

Abigail Rielly (2026) NA

**2025 2026**

Rogers Park Board Chair	Dale Fuller	_____
Rogers Park Board Vice Chair	Peggy Warfield	_____
Council Representative	Shannon Klick	<u>City Council Appointed</u>
Alternate Council Representative	Amy Enga	<u>City Council Appointed</u>
L.O.S.T. Projects Task Force	Peggy Warfield	_____
	Judi Volkens	_____
	Mike Volkens	_____
Turf Allocation Task Force	Chris Morrow	_____
	Sam Okland	_____

**Staff Recommendation**

Select a Chair, Vice Chair and select task force members as needed.

**Financial Impact:**

**Source Fund:**

**Budgeted?**

**Supporting Documentation**

None



## STAFF REPORT

### ROGERS PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2026

**Agenda Item:** 6.2

**Subject:** 2026 Entertainment in the Park Partnership with Rogers Lions Club

**Prepared By:** Havana Hanson, Recreation & Facilities Coordinator

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#### **Overview / Background / Analysis**

Entertainment in the Park (EITP) runs on Wednesday evenings at the 21st Century Bank Event Center at 6:00pm. We have 10 weeks of entertainment, typically alternating children-focused acts with full-sized bands and concerts. Children-focused events will run from 6:00pm-7:00pm, and full-sized bands will run from 6:00pm-8:30pm. Our goal for EITP is to provide this program to as many community members as possible.

Each season, we adjust our budget and line-up to bring in proportionally larger bands/acts, and in doing so, we've seen an increase in estimated attendance. We average 170 attendees at outdoor events on good weather days. However, on days when EITP was held indoors due to rain, we only averaged 60 attendees. We want to identify additional ways to promote and engage the community, even when the event is held indoors.

We are interested in partnering with the Rogers Lions Club (Lions) for our full-sized band weeks, which would provide food and beverage options and additional financial support for booking future entertainment. With financial support from the Lions, we will be able to book bands outside our original budget. We can anticipate these bigger-ticket bands drawing in a larger crowd. Adding the Lions would greatly help us reach more of the community and achieve our goal. In return for their publicity, financial support, and volunteer staffing, the Lions would get to use concession sales at EITP as a fundraiser for their organization.

We would like to move forward with the partnership in the following ways:

- The Lions partnership dates will be: 6/24/26, 7/8/26, 7/22/26, 8/5/26, 8/19/26, and 9/12/26. These are dates of full-sized bands and concerts; Lions' partnership will not take place on children-focused dates.
- The Lions would sell canned beer, seltzers, NA beverages, and potentially brats/burgers from either the indoor bar or an outdoor portable bar from 5:30pm-8:15pm.
- Signs will be placed around the perimeter of the park depicting the designated drinking zone. Staff and/or Lions volunteers can be stationed periodically around the perimeter to supervise and monitor.
- The Lions will cover the booking fee for 50% of the partnership dates.

- City-covered dates: 6/24/26, 7/8/26, 8/5/26
- Lions-covered dates: 7/22/26, 8/19/26, 9/12/26

The new EITP partnership with the Lions will end on 9/12/26 with an Oktoberfest celebration at the 21st Century Bank Event Center. This event will have brats/burgers, possible food trucks, beer, live music, kids' events, contests and/or games, and a 20'x60' tent on the grass for viewing bands. Live music will consist of two bands, one German-style band 1:00-3:00pm, and a second band from 5:00pm-8:00pm. The Lions will be working with Rogers Wine & Spirits for the alcohol. The Lions applied for and were approved for this special event permit for 2025 but were not able to run the event due to time constraints. The Lions have proper insurance and will reapply for the liquor license.

Duration of Event: 10:00am-10:00pm

Actual Event Time: 12:00pm-8:00pm

Number of Special Event Staff: 20

Number of Participants/Spectators: 200-500

Admission Fee: No

Programming staff would like to add this event to the EITP roster as we believe it would be a good way to promote community, culture, and growth opportunities.

- Lions would manage the food, beverages, and live music.
- The City would manage the kids' events and contests and/or games, such as bounce houses, a stein-holding competition, a sauerkraut-eating competition, a chili cook-off, etc.



### Staff Recommendation

Recommend approval of the partnership with the Rogers Lions Club for the 2026

Entertainment in the Park series, pending review by administration.

**Financial Impact:**

**Source Fund:**

**Budgeted?**

**Supporting Documentation**

None



**STAFF REPORT**

**ROGERS PARKS AND  
RECREATION ADVISORY  
COMMISSION**

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2026

**Agenda Item:** 6.3

**Subject:** 2025 Work Plan/2026 Work Plan Draft

**Prepared By:** Mike Bauer, Parks & Recreation Director

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**Overview / Background / Analysis**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission recommends a work plan to guide yearly staff activities. This list is for the more significant initiatives, which usually involve many hours of planning or construction.

**Local Option Sales Tax Projects**

Indoor Turf Facility (Complete)

Future Recreation Facility Site Improvements (Complete)

South Community Park Athletic Improvements (Complete)

Splash Pad (Complete)

I-94 Ped Crossing (On Hold, No State Bonding Money Available)

144 Tunnel (On Hold: Cost of the project escalated beyond means)

Trails:

SDLR-137th (Pending Design)

Hassan Elementary to Marie Ave (Complete)

Henrys Woods to SDLR

Cambria to 147th

Brocton Meadow to 144

Edgewater to Willindale

City Improvements to School Pool (Pending ISD 728 Actions may be past the date of bonding availability)

**Staff Recommendation**

**Financial Impact:**

**Source Fund:**

**Budgeted?**

**Supporting Documentation**

A. 2025 Work Plan

B. 2026 Work Plan Draft

2025 Work Plan			
Category	Project	Status	Next Steps
Trails	Territorial View Estates	Planning	County is reviewing intersection alignment
Trails	RMS/RHS Tunnel (LOST)	Hold	Engineering reached out to see if ISD 728 could participate in a Safe Routes to School grant and ISD 728 does not have dollars for this in the current 10 year plan for the mandatory local match.
Trails	I-94 Pedestrians Crossing(LOST)	Hold	
Trails	Brockton Lane to Wellstead Drive (FMP)	Out to Bid	Will be part of the SDLR reconstruct 2026
Trails	SDLR -137th (LOST)Rachel Development	Partial Completion.	Not enough ROW over corner Property
Facility	Event Center Donor Recognition Overall	Design	Will be using the scheduling software platform.
Park/Facility	Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Spring Playground	TBD	
Park/Facility	Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Fall Capital	Complete	Unsuccessful
Park	Cambria Hills Park and Trail Development		Recommend Moving to Future Projects with further devel
Facility	Senior Center Programming Locations		Project on hold due to litigation
Parks	RHS Softball Field Request for Hassan Hills	Hold Pending Funding	Staff Recommends discussing a change in strategy for this field.
Parks	Determine Playground Replacement Priority		Sunnyside for 2026
Parks	Final Design of Territorial Park		Waiting for parking lot light and punchlist item
Parks	NCP Build out Design		Design Due 12/8 for consideration tonight
Parks	Select Parks for Hard Court and Pavilions		Tonights Agenda
Parks	Crow River Heights		Staff contacted Flagship Recreation to move this project forward. (No Response)
Parks	Cowley Lake House Removal		
Parks	Tree inventory/management plan www.mntreesource.com		Public Works Superintendent is reaching out to vendors for proposals.
Parks	Fox Creek West Playground Replacement		Complete
Parks	Brookside Meadows Playground Replacement		Complete
Park/Facility	SCP FFE Purchase		Complete
Park/Facility	SCP Ribbon Cutting		Set Date Spring 2026
Park/Facility	SCP Concessions Operations		
Park/Facility	Rink Attendant Position???		Using Building attendants from Ice arena and fieldhouse
Facility	Indoor Turf Facility	Allocation	Complete
Facility	Indoor Turf Facility	Policies/Procedures	Complete
Facility	Indoor Turf Facility	FFE Purchases	Complete
Facility	Indoor Turf Facility	Waiting For Delivery.	Complete
Facility	Indoor Turf Facility	Staffing	Complete
Facility	Indoor Turf Facility	Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening	Complete
Recreation	Programming Lists and Policies		
Trails	Plan for trails at SCP connecting to Astermills		Complete
	Plan for 2026 information gathering/strategies for master plan update		
	Complete		
	Change from last report		
	On Hold		

2026 Work Plan Draft

Category	Project	Status	Next Steps
Trails	Brockton Lane to Wellstead Drive (FMP)	Design	Will be part of the SDLR reconstruct 2026
Trails	SDLR -137th (LOST) Rachel Development	Partial Completion.	Next steps: RFP for design and right of way acquisition.
Facility	Event Center Donor Recognition Overall	Design	Will be using the scheduling software platform.
Park/Facility	Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Spring Playground	TBD	
Park/Facility	Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Fall Capital	Complete	Not successful for the ice arena project for 2025
Facility	Senior Center Programming Locations		Located in the Community Room and Event Center for the time being.
Parks	Sunny Side Park Playground Replacement	pre-design	Staff will work on plans for future meeting
Parks	NCP Playground Replacement/Improvements		Staff will work on plans for future meeting
Parks	Crow River Heights		Staff contacted Flagship Recreation to move this project forward. (No Response)
Parks	Cowley Lake House Removal		
Park/Facility	SCP Ribbon Cutting		Set Date Spring 2026
Park/Facility	SCP Concessions Operations		
Trails	South Community Park Trails	Budgeted	
Plan	Plan for 2026 information gathering/strategies for master plan update	Budgeted	
Plan	North Side Skating Rink (Replace RAC Rink)	Budgeted	
Parks	Parking Lot and Trail Lighting	Budgeted	
Park	Parking Lot Expansion South Community Park	Budgeted	
Facility	Fieldhouse Office Buildout	Budgeted	
Park	Lions Central Park Parking Lot Expansion	Budgeted	
Trails	North Community Park to Mallard Estate Trail Repaving	Budgeted	
Park	Skye Meadows Neighborhood Park South	Budgeted	
Park/Trail	Neighborhood Park Trail Replacement	Budgeted	
Park	Neighborhood Park Picnic Pavilion	Budgeted	
Park	Neighborhood Park Hard Court	Budgeted	

	Complete
from/last	Change from last report
On	On Hold



## STAFF REPORT

### ROGERS PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2026

**Agenda Item:** 6.4

**Subject:** Set Summer Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Meeting Schedule

**Prepared By:** Marcy Dalchow, Public Works Administrative Assistant

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#### **Overview / Background / Analysis**

For the past several years, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission has had June, July and September meetings in parks around the community. Staff promote the meetings to the community and with signs in the park leading up to the meeting.

Generally, we get good community attendance at these meetings.

#### **Parks that have had a meeting in the past:**

Edgewater - June, 2019

Shadow Woods - July, 2019

Hassan Meadows - June, 2021

Brockton Meadows - July, 2021

Brookside Meadows - June, 2022

North Community Park - July, 2022

Laurel Creek - Sept., 2022

Lynch - June, 2023

Dutch Knolls - July, 2023

Henry's Woods - Sept., 2023

Erickson - June, 2024

Cambria Farms - July, 2024

Crow Hassan Park Reserve (Three Rivers Park District) - Sept., 2024

South Community Park - June, 2025

Fox Creek West - July, 2025

Sunnyside - Sept., 2025

Lions Central Park/Sunroom - Regular Meeting Place

#### **Remaining Parks List**

Crow River Heights

Dayspring Estates

Hasson Hills

Hawkins Park

Territorial Park

Walker

Woodman Hall

(You may choose parks to revisit)

**Staff Recommendation**

Choose 3 parks to visit during the Summer of 2026

**Financial Impact:** N/A

**Source Fund:** N/A

**Budgeted?** N/A

**Supporting Documentation**

None



**STAFF REPORT**  
**ROGERS PARKS AND  
RECREATION ADVISORY  
COMMISSION**

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2026

**Agenda Item:** 8.1

**Subject:** Correspondence

**Prepared By:**

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**Overview / Background / Analysis**

**Staff Recommendation**

**Financial Impact:**

**Source Fund:**

**Budgeted?**

**Supporting Documentation**

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**Name:** GEORGE ELLEY

**Subject:** TruStone Center

**Message:** Hello. We were very disappointed to have been turned away at the TruStone Center walking track because of the new Rogers residents only restriction for free entrance. We were told because our address is in Dayton that we had to pay a \$5 fee each or get an annual membership. My wife and I were very surprised as we had been walking there free since it opened. What's even more surprising is that many of the kids in our Dayton community go to Rogers HS. It's rather upsetting that we are treated as having a non reside status since Dayton does not have a HS.

I would think you would allow Dayton residence the same free priv  
Option to walk at the TruStone Center walking track as Rogers residents. Is there a possible exception to be made in light of this? Both Maple Grove and Elk River offer free indoor walking to non residence.

**From:** Mike Bauer <mbauer@rogersmn.gov>

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 17, 2025 5:11 PM

**Subject:** RE: Form Submission - Contact City of Rogers - TruStone Center

Hello George,

Thank you for taking the time to reach out and share your experience. I appreciate you letting us know of your disappointment. I also want to acknowledge the transition piece you referenced. The adopted rates and residency structure were intended to be posted and implemented earlier. Still, we delayed enforcement while we got the front desk computers and the point-of-sale/check-in system fully set up. Now that the system is in place, we can apply the fees and residency rates consistently.

While many residents within ISD 728, including families from Dayton, attend Rogers High School, the TruStone Center Fieldhouse is a City of Rogers facility. The project was approved by Rogers voters and is funded, operated, and maintained by the City of Rogers for the benefit of its residents. As with other City-owned recreation facilities, resident and non-resident rates apply.

There are several indoor walking options available in the community. ISD 728 school walking programs charge comparable rates for adult walking access, and the City also offers an arena walking option at the TruStone Center Ice Arena for those looking for a free alternative. Information on arena walking can be found here:

<https://www.rogersmn.gov/trustone-programs>

We recognize that policies like this can be disappointing, but at this time, we do not plan to create residency-based exceptions beyond the adopted fee structure. We will continue to monitor usage and community feedback as the facility operates in its first year. I will also share your comments and concerns with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission as part of our ongoing review of Fieldhouse policies and operations.

Thank you again for sharing your perspective.

Sincerely,  
Parks and Recreation Director

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Mike Bauer

Hi Mike,

Thanks for alerting me to the concerns with snow coming off the fabric roof at the fieldhouse. I met with Eric from Legacy as well as Jake/Braden/Cody from Terra yesterday.

We agree this is something that needs additional attention and unfortunately there isn't an immediate solution, other than blocking off both the parking stalls as you have done, as well as the sidewalk. We discussed the fact that anything done will be R&D, and that there isn't a known example of snow coming off this far based on the measures that were put in place at your facility to help mitigate it. I know you and I reviewed the Fox Creek facility, but that one doesn't really have the buffer zone we planned for your facility. At that facility, it appears to be only a few feet, and the parking stalls are really close to the building, so they are in the area that we have as our buffer zone. The buffer zone at the fieldhouse is 23'-4" which is right in the mix of the 20'-25' that was recommended by Legacy.

I was out on-site yesterday morning and chatted with Rachel and Melanie (I think that's her name). It appears wind may be a factor in this, the SE corner (as you had noted) seems to be the worst. There really aren't the same snow piles on the north side as on the south side and the West side doesn't have any snow at all, so the wind is moving things around the building. I suspect it's carrying it up over the roof from the north and depositing additional snow on the south facing roof.

A few other notes –

- Eric mentioned that as the fabric ages and is exposed, the surface will get dirtier and thus have more friction. This may help slow things down in the future, so the snow may not shoot off as far.
- The Legacy team will look at possible modifications to the ice breakers which could be tried on a couple of bays to see if they improve conditions.
- This will take time to sort out what may be the most effective approach
- A second (or third) row of ice breakers is not an option with the fabric roof. They need the snow to move off the edge and can't have ice dams build up. Also, there isn't anywhere to attach additional rows of ice breakers away from the edge
- If snow is in fact reaching to the sidewalk and parking stalls as first contact, then a snow fence may not be effective as it would need to be very tall and robust to prevent overturning.



