

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019; 12:00 PM

CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 226 W 4TH STREET, 12:00P.M.

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

A. 2-5-19 Meeting Minutes

III. Public Comment

IV. Old Business

A. Park Development Fund- Action

V. New Business

A. Park Review-Discussion

VI. Staff Reports

A. 3-5-18 Staff Report

B. Riverfront Improvement Commission Report

C. Park Operations

D. Recreation

E. Revenue Facilities

F. Director's Report

VII. Advisory Time / Suggestions for Future Agenda Items

VIII. Adjournment

IX. Next Meeting Date and Location

City of Davenport
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Department: Parks and Recreation
Contact Info: Chad Dyson 563-326-7817

Date
3/5/2019

Subject:
2-5-19 Meeting Minuets

Recommendation:
Approve Minuets

ATTACHMENTS:

Type	Description
▢ Cover Memo	2-5-19 Meeting Minuets

REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
Parks & Recreation	Rhoads, Jessica	Approved	3/1/2019 - 10:31 AM



DAVENPORT PARKS AND RECREATION

700 WEST RIVER DRIVE, DAVENPORT, IOWA 52802 ♦ 563-328-PARK (7275) ♦ WWW.CITYOFDAVENPORTIOWA.COM/PARKS

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes January 2nd, 2018 at Rivers Edge

Present: Coiner, Knoth, Peterson, Roberson, Spratt, Thomas, Trees and Woodard

Staff Present: Director Dyson, Betsy Tubbs, Troy Evans, Jessica Rhoads, JJ Condon

Public Present: none

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm

1) Roll Call: See above.

2) Approval of Minutes:

Coiner moved for approval of the January 3rd, 2018 minutes and Woodard seconded; Minutes were approved as written.

3) Public Comment: None

4) Old Business:

- a. Parks Development Fund-** Staff presented the board with a slideshow (attached) of the project list suggested for the Parks Development fund. Meeting video can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yJOJCKUJ430>.

5) New Business:

- a. Friends Groups-** Board members were provided a list of Friends groups. **Coiner:** I would like to see 1 or 2 group come in and give us an update. **Peterson:** I would support not having all of them, I think maybe one or two at a time. We've a good sense of mission and goals but yet we have no sense of where they might be going. **Director Dyson-** I see 15 to 20 min of agenda time set aside for each of the groups, staggering them over several meetings, 2-2-1. Staff will reach out to each group and schedule them based on their availability. **Woodard-** I support 1 or 2 groups at a time.

6) Staff Reports:

- a. Riverfront Improvement Commission Report- See Written Staff report**
b. Park Operations: See written report
c. Recreation: See written report
d. Revenue Facilities: See written report
e. Director's Report:
- In your packet is the feedback from the Park Review exercise, I would like to thank you very much, the information gathered was helpful. This will be an agenda item next month. We will review and discuss the information that was gathered.
 - Staff reports noted weather. Kudos to our team, we've been nettling the polar vortex. With this weather that we have had, we are going to review how we handle snow and extreme cold. Reviewing some of our outdoor seasonal location, do we close them for the safety of residents, animals and staff, opposed to trying to move snow to keep them open.



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7) Advisory Time:

- a. **Chair Thomas:** Our Jr. Theatre trip didn't happen. Are we going to reschedule or can we have one of our future meeting there? **Director Dyson:** All Advisory meetings are to be held here at City Hall in Chambers. We can reschedule the trip or you can call Daniel directly to go visit. **Woodard:** Pervious Directors would hold meeting at several different locations. Can you explain why the change? **Director Dyson:** In an attempt to make the City more transparent and to residents all Boards and Commissions meetings are to be filmed here. Now we can hold special meeting and travel to different locations but the main monthly meeting will always be held here in Chambers.

8) Next Meeting Dates and Location:

Next Meeting-Tuesday, March 5th, 2019 at 12pm @ City Hall, Council Chambers.

9) Adjournment

It was motioned by **Woodard** and 2nd by **Roberson** that the meeting be adjourned. Motion was approved 8-0 and adjourned at 1:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Rhoads, Administrative Assistant

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Park Development Fund- Action

ATTACHMENTS:

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CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA					
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD INPUT					
Park Development CIP Fund FY 2020- \$350,000					
Project Total Ranking					
	PROJECTS	EST. BUDGET	Total	Staff	PAB
1	Junior Theatre lift	\$ 10,000	82	37	45
	Junior Theatre classroom studio space remodel	\$ 60,000	29	8	21
	Junior Theatre dressing room remodel	\$ 20,000	21	10	11
	Junior Theatre sceneshop remodel	\$ 40,000	29	10	19
3	Roosevelt Community Center Improvements	\$ 65,000	70	35	35
	Vander Veer warming house repairs	\$ 15,000	32	13	19
	Vander Veer stone building roof	\$ 15,000	35	11	24
5	Vander Veer conservatory roof glass replacement	\$ 6,000	51	29	22
8	Rivers Edge rental skate replacement (490 Pair)	\$ 65,000	42	15	27
	Goose Creek disc golf	\$ 20,000	15	3	12
4	Junge South playground replacement	\$ 60,000	65	27	38
6	Rivers Edge parking lot repair	\$ 15,000	48	35	13
9?	South DOLA enhancements	\$ 30,000	41	18	23
	Fitness stations along recreation trails	\$ 15,000	14	9	5
10?	Pool play features - Annie Wit and Fejevary	\$ 25,000	41	19	22
2	Rivers Edge lobby remodel	\$ 75,000	74	43	31
	Christmas Light Display at Fej	\$ 25,000	23	14	9
7	Miracle Field Playground	\$ 15,000	46	15	31
	Sound system upgrade- All 3 Pools	\$ 3,000	29	16	13
	Duck Creek- Walking Path from Lodge to Golf Course	\$ 15,000	26	14	12
	Duck Creek Golf Service Road-Repaving	\$ 50,000	28	17	11
	Electric Road Sign- Centennial Park	\$ 40,000	12	9	3
	Park signage study and standardization	\$ 15,000	15	9	6
11?	Cosmic Golf System- Portable	\$ 30,000	41	22	19
	Total	\$ 729,000	\$ 396,000	\$ 316,000	366,000

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	Junior Theatre lift	\$ 10,000	H	M	L	37	2	2	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	1	1
	Junior Theatre classroom studio space remodel	\$ 60,000	H	M	L	8	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	1
	Junior Theatre dressing room remodel	\$ 20,000	H	M	L	10	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1
	Junior Theatre sceneshop remodel	\$ 40,000	H	M	L	10	0	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	1
	Roosevelt Community Center improvements	\$ 65,000	H	M	L	35	2	1	5	5	5	4	1	5	5	1	1
	Vander Veer warming house repairs	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	13	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
	Vander Veer stone building roof	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	11	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	0	1	1
	Vander Veer conservatory roof glass replacement	\$ 6,000	H	M	L	29	5	1	2	5	1	5	1	5	2	1	1
	Rivers Edge rental skate replacement (490 Pair)	\$ 65,000	H	M	L	15	2	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
	Goose Creek disc golf	\$ 20,000	H	M	L	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
	Junge South playground replacement	\$ 60,000	H	M	L	27	0	2	5	5	5	1	1	5	2	0	1
	Rivers Edge parking lot repair	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	35	0	5	5	1	1	5	5	2	1	5	5
	South DOLA enhancements	\$ 30,000	H	M	L	18	5	0	1	2	5	1	0	1	2	0	1
	Fitness stations along recreation trails	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	9	0	0	1	1	5	0	0	0	2	0	0
	Pool play features - Annie Wit and Fejevary	\$ 25,000	H	M	L	19	1	1	5	1	1	0	5	2	1	1	1
	Rivers Edge lobby remodel	\$ 75,000	H	M	L	43	5	4	1	2	1	5	5	5	5	5	5
	Christmas Light Display at Fej	\$ 25,000	H	M	L	14	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	2	5	0	1
	Miracle Field Playground	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	15	0	2	1	5	1	1	1	2	0	1	1
	Sound system upgrade- All 3 Pools	\$ 3,000	H	M	L	16	5	1	1	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	1
	Duck Creek- Walking Path from Lodge to Golf Course	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	14	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	5	1
	Duck Creek Golf Service Road-Repaving	\$ 50,000	H	M	L	17	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	5	5
	Electric Road Sign- Centennial Park	\$ 40,000	H	M	L	9	0	2	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Park signage study and standardization	\$ 15,000	H	M	L	9	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
	Cosmic Golf System- Portable	\$ 30,000	H	M	L	22	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	5	5	5
	Total	\$ 729,000				316,00											

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Park Development CIP Fund FY 2020 | Davenport Parks and Recreation

FY 2020 PARK DEVELOPMENT FUND

- FY20 has allocated \$350,000 for Park Development Projects in the CIP Program.
This amount is very helpful to fund projects with the Parks System.
- A larger list of items was reviewed and evaluated by the Parks Advisory Board and Park Staff.
- The top highest scoring projects will be presented to City Council for final approval.
- Items are not listed in any particular order.

RANK	FY20 PROPOSED PROJECTS	AMOUNT	ADJUSTMENT
1	Junior Theatre Lift	\$7,500	-\$2,500 Pledged by Jr. Theatre Inc
2	Rivers Edge Remodel	\$75,000	
3	Roosevelt Community Center Improvements	\$65,000	
4	Junge South Playground	\$60,000	
5	VanderVeer Conservatory Roof Glass Replacement	\$6,000	
6	Rivers Edge Parking Lot Repair *Staff Recommended	\$15,000	
7	Prairie Heights Park Playground Surface	\$15,000	
8	Rivers Edge Skate Replacements	\$32,500	-50% project scope and cost reduction
9	Marquette Park South DOLA Enhancement	\$30,000	
10	Cosmic Golf System	\$30,000	
11	VanderVeer Stone Building Roof *Board Recommended	<u>\$14,000</u>	-\$1,000 Project Added on Board Recommendation
	Total	\$350,000	

Junior Theatre

\$7,500

A lift at Jr Theatre would allow staff to safely and efficiently change set and stage design as well as add programming and events.

Jr. Theatre, Inc. is pledging \$2,500 towards the purchase of a lift reducing project cost from \$10,000 to \$7,500.



Roosevelt Community Center

\$65,000

Improvements to Roosevelt Community Center would include:

- Carpeting the hallway
- Fixing and Repairing the Stairs
- Installing Changing
- LED Light
- Repairing the Sidewalk
- Painting

Junge Park South Playground

Current Playground



\$60,000

Junge South Playground Replacement

Replace current play structure installed in 2003 with new obstacle course themed playground.



Prairie Height Park Playground Surface

\$15,000

Playground Resurfacing

Poured in place rubber surface at Prairie Heights Park Play ground would make this play ground more accessible to children of all abilities; and would be a great complement to the Miracle Field.



Vander Veer

\$6,000

This project will replace and seal 6 panes of glass on the Vander Veer Conservatory roof.



Vander Veer

\$14,000

Vander Veer Stone Building is in need of a new roof. This replacement will stop any further damage to the building and the equipment housed inside.



Marquette Park South DOLA

South DOLA Enhancements

High traffic at the entrance makes it difficult to maintain grass in the area. This project would remove the existing turf/dirt area at the entrance and install an artificial turf designed for dog parks

\$30,000



The River's Edge

\$32,500



Rental Skate Replacement (225 Pairs)

Originally budgeted at \$65k for 450 pair of new skates, this project will replace over half of the current rental skate. Adding additional sets to popular sizes

The 50% reduction in project scope will allow the Development fund to incorporate an additional project: VandeerVeer Stone Building Roof.

The River's Edge

\$15,000

Rivers Edge Parking Lot Repair

This project would repair, patch and seal problem areas in the Rivers edge parking lot, with focus on the entrance and exit area.



The River's Edge

\$75,000

Lobby Remodel Would Include:

- Front Desk Remodel
- Keyless Entry Doors
- Digital Marketing Equipment
- Table and Chair Replacment
- Entryway Floor Repairs
- LED Lighting
- Paint



Golf

\$30,000

Cosmic Golf System-Portable

Cosmic golf is a trending activity for golf players of all ages. This system will allow DPR to host after hours and weekend events drawing new customers to our golf courses.



FYI - Past Two Years of Park Development Projects

FY 19 Projects	Amount
Jr. Theatre North Windows	\$20,000
Rivers Edge Restroom ADA Compliance	\$20,000
Peterson Park Playground	\$65,000
Credit Island Park Playground	\$85,000
Credit Island Lighting	\$25,000
Golf Course Improvements	\$25,000
Holiday Lights at VanderVeer	\$10,000

FY 18 Projects	Amount
LeClaire Restroom Upgrades	\$100,000
Garfield Park - Playground Replacement	\$65,000
Lafayette Park - Playground Replacement	\$19,000
Fejervary Learning Center – Feature (Twinkle Twinkle)	\$10,000
Fejervary Learning Center – Clean-up Monkey Island	\$20,000
Holiday Lights at VanderVeer	\$20,000
River's Edge - LED Lighting on the Ice	\$16,000

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REVIEWERS:

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<i>Park</i>	<i>Reviewer</i>	<i>Impression</i>	<i>Amenities</i>	<i>Rec Value</i>	<i>Improvement</i>	<i>Best Feature</i>	<i>Visit</i>
Blackhawk Gardens	Coiner	Positive/ Needs Improvement, This is a growing food park in partnership with the gardens neighborhood group. It has a shelter, no tables or playground, nice walkway path and small benches.	Yes, used as a food growing park	Yes, foods growing park	Birch Trees need to be trimmed around the walking path	Growing food area	Nov 9th 3:30 pm
Centennial Park	Spratt	SO-So, lots of standing water on the sidewalks and by restrooms	Yes	Yes	Turf around playground need repaire or patched, playground needs painted, cracks on basketball courts, weeds in skate park, maybe have a compation to repaint the skate park, benches need repainted.	Nice view and lots to do for all ages	Dec 27th 1:40 PM
Cork Hill	Thomas	Positive, Looks good	Yes, playground, shelter, horse shoe pits	Yes	Install a small spray feature	N/A	Nov 14th 1:40 PM
Credit Island	Coiner	Positive/Needs Improvement: Very Historic Island with a lot if amenities for all ages. COD needs to make a commitment for flooding issues.	Yes, Park has all the amenities which are stated on the website and more	Yes, I'm concerned with the Trip Advisor opinion of CI	Repair of shoreline and lake area, add docks for kayaks and canoes, clean up trees, new gravel or blacktop for parking lots	Lodge	Nov 9th 1 pm

Duck Creek	Peterson	Positive/ Needs Improvements, Entrance area with Lilac garden, lodge and gazebo is very impressive. Debris from falling trees and tree limbs seen in woods is not an asset and depressing.	Yes, New playground equipment, shelters and tables, baseball, tennis courts, golf, walking/hiking trails and open spaces provide a wide variety of interests.	Yes, Open areas near tennis courts is ideal for active play; see details above.	Hiking path in wooded area from shelter to tennis court, new restroom in picnic area, repurpose the WPA restrooms, enhance parking by the tennis courts, add signage to direct visitors.	Amenities in the entrance, golf course.	43808.64583
Eastern Ave Park	Woodard						
Emeis Park	Schlue	Positive, Clean, lots of open space. Plenty of amenities	This park has amenities that meet the neighborhood needs. Playground, baseball diamonds, tennis courts, large and small shelters, basketball courts, restrooms.	Tremendous value for the community. Lots of recreation opportunities for the community.	Lots of debris on the ground, general cleanup of grounds. Large shelter needs repainted.	Shelters and playground	Dec 10th 2 pm

Fejervary Park	Duffy	Positive	Yes, The park has swimming pools which offers swim lessons, private parties and open swim. Park shelters for reservations and picnic areas. Play ground equipment, restrooms, Learning Center, family fun days and nature area for hiking	Yes	I think this park has so much to offer entire families. Needs no improvements	Pool, Learning center, picnic area, playgrounds for kids.	Nov 5th
Garfield Park	Woodard						
Glen Armil	Duffy	Positive	This is a smaller park that offers playground equipment, volleyball, basketball and back stops for softball, picnic shelters and has a drinking fountain.	Yes	I do not see any needed improvements	Smaller neighborhood park, basically for the people in the area.	Nov 5th 3pm
Goose Creek	Knoth	Good, No restrooms	Yes, Has playground in 2 locations with sidewalks that lead to 1 of the 2 shelters	Large Grassy area to play baseball, football, ect. Even a splash pad	Outdoor grills by shelters	Accesibility and parking	12/19/ 10:15 AM

Green Acres	Knoth	Good, Parking lot is real remote, no restrooms	Yes, concrete sidewalk to park features	Has playground, basketball courts and shelter. Plenty of grassy area	Yes. Outdoor Grills	Basketball courts and concrete paths	Dec 19 10:30AM
Harbor Road Park	Coiner	Well maintained parks. Play ground is in good shape, has basketball court. Park is connected to Roosevelt and baseball diamonds	Yes, Playground could be expanded	Yes, This park needs safer access from the residents homes from across the street	Shelter with picnic tables, a pedestrian cross walk	Playground	Nov 9th 1:30 pm
Herington Park	Spratt	Positive, Glad there was a parking lot.	Yes	Yes	Wheelchair swing or mommy and me swing, replace droopy basketball backboards, water pools around the parking pylons	The playground is new and very clean, sidewalk is nice, not cracked or uneven	12/27/2019 12:51
Indian Springs	Woodard						
Jefferson Park	Duffy						
Junge Park	Lemek	It is an extensive/divided park	Parking on the side with the least recreation & restrooms are on one side of the park	3 Volleyball courts & 4 ball diamonds plus a small and large play ground	Could use signs pointing the way to the various recreation areas, it is so large one cannot see what's on the other side	No one best feature except there is only one recycling container for the entire park	Nov 8th 2:30 pm
Lafayette Park	Roberson						
Le Claire Heights	Thomas	Positive	Yes, Nice green space for this neighborhood	Yes	N/A	N/A	11/14/2019 13:45
Leclaire Park	Thomas	Positive	Yes, Remolded restrooms, river access, bike/walking path along the river.	Yes, Great area for concerts, festivals, etc..	N/A	River View, open greenspace	Nov 14 1pm

Lindsay Park	Peterson	Positive/ Needs Improvement, This park has a spectacular river view and should be enhanced; open space on the upper level of park is an asset, ADA accessibility is not meet to access upper level of the park	Yes, Stationary playground equipment is geared for lower elementary children, baseball and basketball courts and there is access to the bike path.	Yes, but the amenities could be expanded.	Update active playground to create more for jr high age kids and a pathway to connect the upper and lower areas.	The river view.	Dec 12th 10:15am
Marquette Park	Lemek	It is bordered by Marquette St & Duck Creek, it has several parking areas along its perimater	There is a large playground, drinking fixtures & benches for parents to keep track of children	Playground, 2 ball fields, 3 separate eating areas (1 with a grill) a restroom, bike/walk path	Perhaps more sections for flowers or other plants-perennials (eye candy)	Separate parking areas making it easy to park close to whatever one has come to the park for	Nov 8th 1:30 pm
Monroe Park	Roberson						
North DOLA	Lemek	Grounds are well kept and clean	The need is for space for dogs to run & it meets those needs	Recreation value is for the dogs, this consists of running room, and they are spacious	Parking is limited, need more posts for doggy bags, needs a restroom, and more benches are needed	This dog park is divided by a fence into 2 areas, each section has seating for dog owner & each has 1 post for doggy bags	Nov 5th 11:00 am

North Gayman Park	Schlue	Positive, Clean, signs posted are clear and easy to read.	This park does not have amenities that meet the neighborhood needs. Playground, small path	Very Little	While well kept up, the playground has very limited features. I believe this park has a very narrow value for a specific age group and almost no value outside of that age group. A newer/larger playground would benefit the neighborhood. Additional green space that is not impeded by signage or sidewalks	The swings	Dec 9th 2pm
Northwest Park	Schlue	Positive, Park has newer well kept courts for multiple sports. The amenities are relatively close together	This park has amenities that meet the neighborhood needs. Playground, Tennis Courts, Pickle ball Courts, Basketball Courts and Baseball Diamonds.	This park has a tremendous value for the community	East side of tennis courts has post holes where a fence used to be. The cement sticks up an inch or two and creates a tripping hazard.	The pickle ball courts are a huge draw almost everyday when the weather permits.	Dec 10th 9am
Peterson Park	Duffy	Positive, Peterson Park is a very nice park that offers basketball, playground equipment, a small back stop for ball, a small shelter and picnic tables	Yes	Yes	Inspection of park I found it to be well kept and didn't appear to need improvements	The park offers basketball which I've noticed is used almost year round and the playground equipment is used by the kids in the area.	Nov 6th 2pm

Prairie Heights	Knoth	Great	Shelter, hard bathrooms, concession stand with seating (seasonal) and ample parking	Yes, 3 baseball diamonds, playground, miracle field being constructed	Park is currently under construction at the present time due to the miracle field project	Accessibility and Parking	Dec 19 10:00am
Prospect Park	Trees	Positive, Clean and well-maintained	Yes, This park provides benched, waste containers (along the roadway), water fountain with dog bowl	Yes, The park has a nicely sized and fairly level greenspace. Houses near by don't seem to have large yards, and one resident I spoke to said she is at the park several times a day with her dog.	Add a dog waste station and waste container in the green space Handicap accessibility? Small swing set, increased lighting or police patrols	Great river view, open space, mature trees	Nov 4th 2pm
Ridgeview	Peterson	Natural shade, open space for play, 4 baseball diamonds, new playground, this is an inviting space	Yes/No: Focus is on baseball, playground is equipped for a wide variety of ages, Diamond 3 rehab/construction-outfield fence missing, no score boards, ADA concerns	Yes, Open space for activities	Playground lack ADA standards. Park sign needed at NE corner, add benches under the trees, a shelter	Focus on active play opportunities.	Dec 9 11:30am
River Heritage Park	Roberson						
Riverview Terrace	Roberson						

Slattery Park	Lemek	It is always mowed throughout the summer & for the most part well-kept	There are 6 covered picnic tables, playground, drinking fountains, bike/walk path, basketball court, 4 stations for disc golf and parking	Same as Amenities	A new restroom is under construction	I cannot choose just one, it appears to meet the interests and needs of a variety of people in all age groups	Nov 8th 1:00 pm
Soccer Complex	Knoth	Positive, Gates were locked during my visit so my facts are observed from the main road	Yes, This is basically a soccer complex and built for this use. Has shelter, seating, restrooms and concession stand. Ample parking	Good place for soccer leagues to play	Hard to tell as facility was locked	Ample Parking and numerous playing fields	Dec 19 11:00am
Sunderbruch Park	Schlue	Positive, Park was clean with well-marked signs, paths were clear. Very little garbage. Restroom building was in good shape. Parking lot was in good shape.	This park has amenities that meet the neighborhood needs. Shelter and restrooms, ample benches and garbage cans.	This park has a tremendous value for the community in Davenport and beyond.	None that I could think of.	The trails at Sunderbruch Park make this a premier place for recreation in Davenport.	Dec 9th 1pm
Sylvan Park	Thomas	I didn't realize that this was separate from LeClaire Heights	Yes, Basketball courts	Yes	New park sign?	N/A	Nov 14 1:45pm

Tyler Park	Trees	Needs Improvement, This park has a lot of potential but is definitely in need of some maintenance. There is graffiti, broken sidewalks, playground is dirty and worn and the play area surface needs to be filled in with dirt or woodchips	No, Has a few waste containers, playground, benches and a picnic table Use to have basketball courts, ball field, water/restrooms (per resident)	Yes, There is a very nice greenspace here. Would be great to see a basketball court and ball field restored to be usable. Play area could be very nice with maintenance and improvements.	Due to security issues, lighting around the playground area. Only on street parking was available. Improve the playground equipment, add a drinking fountain, add a dog waste station, maybe a small fenced off leash area.	Good sled hill! Spacious park in a older/historic area	Nov 4th 2:30pm
Van Buren Park	Coiner	Positive, Nice park, well kept. Has 2 tennis courts, ball diamonds, 1/2 court basketball, playground, swings and a shelter with 6 picnic tables	Yes, Playground area could be expanded if needed.	Yes, This park sits in the middle if the neighborhood and can be accessed from any direction.	Add other half of basketball court to have a full court. Lift home plate to ground level. Park benches	Tennis Courts, playground, shelter	Nov 9th 3pm
Vander Veer Park	Trees	Positive, Beautiful active park with many areas of interest.	Yes, Parking, restrooms, benches, waste containers, dog stations, walking paths, handicap accessible, play area, good lighting and huge green space.	Yes, Play ground, greenspace, lagoon, botanical areas and lots of events	Lagoon needs maintenance, larger playground area, additional walking paths and restroom on the south end of the park.	Grand Alley, Rose Garden, Fountain and Lagoon. Central location.	Nov 4th 3pm

Whalen Park	Peterson	Positive/Needs Improvement: Neat apperance but has aging ammenities as well as a shelter, basketball back boards. Some trash around play equipment, no trash cans in area	Yes/No: limited challenges for older children. Basketball and baseball areas suited for older kids and adults.	Yes, This parks location provides great space for residents in both single and multi-family housing	ADA accessibility to the transfer station on playground needed as well as the shelter and basketball and baseball areas. Jogging track to connect these areas. Consider a volleyball area	Great open space and the varity of trees provide welcome shade for the playground.	Dec 12th 12:15pm
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Staff Report- Park Advisory Board March 5th, 2019

Notable updates from Staff

Riverfront Improvement Commission Report:

- Ahrens presented the recommended FY2020 Operating Budget, which was unanimously approved.
- A report was received from the recent RIC and City Council joint workgroup meeting. The group continues to meet monthly.
- Kathy Wine of River Action proposed a joint project to place signage at boat ramps indicating "Life Jacket Safety Zones."
- Ahrens provided a report about the recent RDG Riverfront Art Integration Public Meeting, and also a report from a meeting with Parks Recreation staff regarding programming for the new Flex Space, as it will be completed around Labor Day.

Park Operations

- Spring Floral show opened in the conservatory on Feb 14.
- Wind storm caused us to lose a section of the roof at Vander Veer. We are working with the Risk Department to replace.
- Fejervary Learning Center bathroom remodel is scheduled to begin in the next few weeks.
- We've been told we have a 70% chance of a significant Spring flood (20 feet). We will be monitoring this closely and preparing as the forecast becomes clearer. 20 feet will put water inside the Credit Island Lodge and test the new flood "windows" that were installed.
- Seasonal hiring continues, 3rd open interview session will be held Thursday, March 21 from 8 – 11 am at Red Hawk Golf Course. Interviews will be held for Golf, Parks, Ambassador and Horticulture positions.

Recreation

- We submitted a Wellmark Large Match grant for 92,000.00 to put pour in place surfacing under the playground at Junge in FY2020, we will hear if we got this money in May.
- We are submitting an NRPA grant for transportation fees to Lincoln Opportunity Center Stepping Stones Summer Program from 5 summer sites so that 200 kids get



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lunch and snack for 10 full weeks in the summer. And we can purchase supplies to get them back packs for the summer weekends working with foodbank and our AmeriCorps members to prepare backpacks.

- Taking Youth Corps Applications for summer YC positions, due March 8th.

Revenue Facilities

- Golf is reviewing applications for seasonal help with golf maintenance, golf cashiering.
- Golf - Winter Tree work is currently prioritized as the weather has finally stabilized and snow-cover is thin.
- Due to continued weather, indoor golf is being extended through March
- Hockey season is coming to a close on 3/8, JV and Varsity are away at the MWHSHL State Tournament, hopefully bringing back some banners
- Celebration on a local Skater, Victor Schmidt's 100th birthday. KWQC, Mayor Klipsh and local figure skaters attended.

Top Staff Challenges

Park Operations

- Snow, snow and more snow, and when there wasn't snow, there was ice! We were not able to get very much of our traditional winter work complete. This will make for a VERY busy spring!

Recreation

- Weather challenges continue, making summer planning difficult not knowing when school will be out, making summer staffing difficult for college students if it doesn't start until June 7th-10th.
- Weather and school schedule changes will make it difficult for Stepping Stones to do enrichment trips planned to JT in April and First Tee. Usually these longer field trips were wed, but there will no longer be early outs Wed so without the extra hour we may have to cancel these enrichment trips. ☹

Revenue Facilities

- Golf - Weather is still very cold and expect some turf loss due to the recent ice cover.
- Working through a refrigeration issue, work will continue through next week. No expected down time at this point.