

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

Thursday, October 17, 2024; 4:30 PM

City Hall | 226 West 4th Street | Council Chambers

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - 09.2024 Meeting Minutes
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Old Business
- V. New Business
  - A. FY26 Park Development Program Final Project Slate
  - B. Park Advisory Board By-Law Review
  - C. DPR Budget Presentation
- VI. Staff Reports
  - A. Riverfront Improvement Commission Report
  - B. Written Staff Reports
  - C. Director's Report
- VII. Advisory Time/Suggestions for Future Agenda Items
- VIII. Next Meeting Date and Location
  - A. November 21, 2024: 4:30 pm, City Hall Council Chambers
- IX. Adjournment



**Parks and Recreation Advisory  
September 19, 2024  
Meeting Minutes**

Board Members Present: Coiner, Dasso, Kefauver, Meyer, Peterson, Powell, Powers, Schertz, Shareef

Staff Present: Chad Dyson, Becca Niles, Alyssa Steward, Jessica Rhoads

Location: Council Chambers, City Hall 226 W 4<sup>th</sup> Street

Meeting Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzMaXXMuQ34>

July 2024 Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the July 2024 meeting minutes presented by Schertz, seconded by Kefauver. Motion Passes 8-0

Public with Comment:

- **None**

Old Business:

- **None**

New Business:

- **Staff Introduction: Alyssa Steward**
- **Election of Officers:**
  - Chair- Wendy Peterson
  - Vice Chair- Mike Schertz
  - Secretary-Arsal Shareef
  - Riverfront Improvement Commission- Chris Meyer

Staff Report:

- See written staff report
- Director Report-Verbal
- RIC Report- Verbal

Park Advisory Board Time: See Video

Adjournment: 5:35 pm Motion to adjourn by Schertz, seconded by Kefauver. Motion Passes 8-0

City of Davenport

Department: Parks and Recreation  
Contact Info: Chad Dyson | 563-328-7275

**Action / Date**  
**10/17/2024**

Subject:  
FY26 Park Development Program Final Project Slate

Recommendation:  
Approve Project Slate

Background:

Attachments:  
1. FY26 Pak Development Final Project Slate

## FY 26 Park Development Program All Survey Scores

| Division      | Project                                 | Project Cost  | Totals |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| Operations    | Green Acres Park Playground Replacement | \$ 65,000.00  | 115    |
| Recreation    | Recreation Trail Safety Improvements    | \$ 20,000.00  | 104    |
| Operations    | Baseball Improvements                   | \$ 27,000.00  | 106    |
| Operations    | Pickleball Court Improvements           | \$ 60,000.00  | 98     |
| Operations    | Slattery Park Playground Replacement    | \$ 85,000.00  | 93     |
| Operations    | Sand Volleyball Court Improvements      | \$ 20,000.00  | 74     |
| Recreation    | Bocce Ball Court Renovations            | \$ 50,000.00  | 63     |
| Funded Amount |                                         | \$ 350,000.00 |        |
| Project Total |                                         | \$ 327,000.00 |        |
| Remainder     |                                         | \$ 23,000.00  |        |

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**Action / Date**  
**10/17/2024**

Subject:  
Park Advisory Board By-Law Review

Recommendation:  
Review drafted by-laws and make recommendation for change

Background:

Attachments:

1. By-laws revised draft 10.10.2024



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AND  
RULES OF PROCEDURE**

**DAVENPORT  
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ADVISORY BOARD**



**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Davenport Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is to provide a forum for Davenport citizen input into matters involving the Davenport Parks and Recreation Department. The Advisory Board (referred to as the Board below) will assist with planning and advocacy, give feedback and offer advice to the Director of Davenport Parks and Recreation.

**SECTION 1.0 OFFICERS**

**1.1 Officers**

**1.1a Chairperson**

1. The position of Chairperson is hereby established.
2. The Chairperson ~~shall set the agenda and~~ presides at all regular and special Board meetings.
3. The Chairperson shall have general charge of the business of the Board.
4. The Chairperson shall appoint all Committees.

**1.1b Vice Chairperson**

1. The position of Vice Chairperson is hereby established.
2. The Vice Chairperson shall act in the capacity of the Chairperson or Secretary in the absence of ~~the Chairperson; these members.~~
3. In the event the office of the Chairperson becomes vacant, the Vice Chairperson shall accede to the office for the unexpired term, and the Board shall elect a successor to the office of Vice Chairperson for the unexpired term.

**1.1c Secretary**

1. The position of Secretary is hereby established.
2. The Secretary shall attend all regular and special meetings.
3. The Secretary shall ~~work in concert with department staff to present a record of those meetings to the Board, and to the Mayor and City Council.~~ call role and record all action items during the meeting.

**1.2 Board Elections**

- 1.2a The Chairperson of the Board shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board and shall hold office for one year.
- 1.2b The Vice Chairperson shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board immediately after the Chairperson and shall hold office for one year.
- 1.2c The Secretary shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board immediately after the Vice Chairperson and shall hold office for one year.
- 1.2d Any vacancy in the office of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson or Secretary of the Board may be filled at any regular or special meeting after such vacancy.
- 1.2e The Board shall elect a liaison to attend the meetings of the Riverfront Improvement Commission and shall serve in this capacity for one year. The liaison shall report to the Board at the regular monthly meetings.

## SECTION 2.0 MEETINGS

### 2.1 Regular Meetings

- 2.1a The annual meeting for the election of officers of the Board shall be held at the September board meeting each year.
- 2.1b The monthly meetings of the Board will be held on the third Thursday each month at 4:30pm; Additional meetings shall be scheduled as needed with board consent.
- 2.1c All regular monthly meetings shall be held in the Davenport City Hall Council Chambers
- 2.1d The Board shall meet jointly ~~at least quarterly as needed~~ with the Riverfront Improvement Commission to discuss future opportunities, projects, and amenities in an effort to create a coordinated vision and effort. The chairs of these bodies shall preside at any joint meetings.

### 2.2 Special Meetings

- 2.2a Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chairperson and held at ~~any time or place fixed in the call.~~ City Hall Council Chambers
- 2.2b The Chairperson shall call a special meeting of the Board at the request, in writing, of any three or more members of the Board. And if he or she fails to comply with such request, said members so requesting shall call such meeting with all signing such notice.

### 2.3 Notice of Meetings

- 2.3a The staff shall file with the Deputy City Clerk the time and place of all Board meetings, and must post a copy of the agenda and previous minutes on the City of Davenport webpage at ~~cityofdavenportiowa.com~~ davenportiowa.com at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. A ~~copy of link to~~ the agenda packet and minutes shall be ~~given emailed~~ to each Board member at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting as well.
- 2.3b Notice of special meetings shall name the time and place and business to be transacted, and shall be given to each member of the board at least 24 hours before the start of the meeting.

### 2.4 Quorum

- 2.4a The Chair shall determine the presence of a quorum, or lack thereof, and announce such to start each Board meeting. A majority of the filled appointed membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A quorum shall be 50% of the current Board plus one. Roll call shall confirm official

attendance at each meeting.

2.4b The affirmative vote of a majority of those members present shall be required for the exercise of powers, but less than a quorum of the members may meet and adjourn until a quorum is present.

2.4c Without a quorum, no official action on any matter can take place.

## **2.5 Order of Business: Agenda**

1. Call to Order - The Chair shall determine the presence of a quorum, or lack thereof, and announce such to start each Board meeting.

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Minutes

4. Public Comment

a. Individual public comment shall not last longer than 5 minutes at the beginning of the meeting. It can be continued at the end of the meeting after the scheduled business of the meeting has been completed.

b. Longer presentations may be submitted as agenda items prior to the actual meeting.

5. Old Business

6. New Business

7. Staff Reports

a. Directors Report

b. Written Staff Report

c. Verbal Riverfront Improvement Commission Report

8. Advisory time-

9. Adjournment

10. Next Meeting Date and Location

## **2.6 Voting**

2.6a Voting will be by voice roll call, called by the secretary, and will be recorded by yea or nay or abstaining.

2.6b A member may abstain if the member believes there is a conflict of interest.

2.6c Members must be present at the meeting, - in person or by call in option, to vote.

## **2.7 Conflict of Interest**

A member of the Board must abstain from participating in a matter before the Board when the member has a conflict of interest as defined by state law. A member of the

Board shall declare their conflict as soon as the matter comes before the Board. Thereafter the member shall take no part in the discussion or vote on the motion.

## **SECTION 3.0 MEETING ATTENDANCE**

3.1 Any Board member who does not attend three meetings without just cause in any calendar year may be removed as a member of this Board. Just cause shall include, but not be limited to, death, illness or being out of town. The Board members shall determine if just cause exists for the absence.

3.2 Open Meetings Law, Iowa Code chapter 21. Section 21.8 of the Code now requires governmental bodies to accommodate virtual attendance by members of the governmental body at official public meetings. The Director of Davenport Parks and Recreation designated representative shall send board members login information each year, or as requested.

## **SECTION 4.0 COMMUNICATION**

4.1 All media releases from the Board are to be cleared through the Chairperson and the Director or Community Relations supervisor prior to the release of any information as well as provide a copy, as approved, to the Board. The right of a member of the Board as a citizen to his or her personal opinion, written or spoken, is not hereby denied.

4.2 Any board member commenting or communicating publicly, via social media, traditional news outlets, radio, ~~etc.~~ or meeting with public or private business, government agencies or the general public as a representative of the Advisory Board member must do the following:

1. Submit talking points and meeting agenda to the board Chair and the Director or Community Relations supervisor for prior approval.
2. Make all board members and the Parks director aware of the meeting details and/or communications.
3. Hold all meetings in an open and public manner so that any person(s) may attend.
4. Provide board members and Parks staff with a meeting/communication summary report.

4.3 Members are advised not to attend private meetings with fellow board members where the principle purpose is to discuss business that is before the Board, unless such attendance is approved by the Board prior to the meeting.

## **SECTION 5.0 COMMITTEES**

5.1 Special committees as deemed necessary or advisable by the Board may be created by motion of the Board at any regular meeting. Participation in the committee will not be

limited to Advisory Board members. Subcommittees shall have no more than five Board members.

## **SECTION 6.0 STAFF**

- 6.1 The Director of Davenport Parks and Recreation and/or a designated representative of the department shall serve as staff for the Board.
- 6.2 The staff shall be responsible for the preparation of the agenda and the provision of all staff support and reports to the Board and its committees.
- 6.3 The staff shall be responsible for maintenance of all records, reports, and correspondence.
- 6.4 The Director of Davenport Parks and Recreation designated representative shall record, prepare, and submit meeting minutes to the board at the next regularly scheduled meeting, as part of the agenda package.

## **SECTION 7.0 ORGANIZATION**

- 7.1 The Board was created by the City Council in 1997 under Section 2.54.080. The board is comprised of 11 (eleven) persons; one to be selected by the Mayor, and one selected by each member of the Council. All appointments are to be confirmed by the City Council. Appointments are made for 3 (three) year terms and shall continue to serve in their full capacity until a successor has been duly appointed. That person can be reappointed.  
  
The City Administrator, or a designated representative, shall be an ex-officio member without voting rights.

## **SECTION 8.0 ORIENTATIONS**

- 8.1 Newly appointed Board members shall meet with the Director of Parks and Recreation at least one week prior to the first monthly meeting date. He or she will be given a copy of the Ordinance, copy of the By-Laws and rules of procedure, a loose leaf binder (outgoing members are expected to return their binders to the Director) containing park budget, and material under discussion.

## **SECTION 9.0 AMENDMENTS**

- 9.1 The By-Laws, or any part thereof, may be amended at any regular meeting of the Advisory Board when not less than three days<sup>2</sup> notice has been given to all members and a copy of the proposed amendment sent with the notice. It shall require a vote of not less than six members to make any amendment or change in these By-Laws.

- 9.2 Issues brought before the Advisory Board for recommendation shall be considered in a timely manner. Any issue that has been tabled, postponed, or returned for more information shall be considered at the next monthly meeting unless otherwise specified in the motion.

City of Davenport

Department: Parks and Recreation  
Contact Info: Chad Dyson | 563-328-7275

**Action / Date**  
**10/17/2024**

Subject:  
DPR Budget Presentation

Recommendation:  
Presentation

Background:

Attachments:

1. DPR Budget Review 2024. Agenda 2



# DPR Budget Review

October 2024 Park Advisory Board Meeting

## Financial Definitions



**Operating Budget** - This funds the department's daily operations and services like employee expenses, supplies and services, capital outlay, and allocated expenses.

Funding sources:

- Tax Revenue
- Grants
- Local Sales Tax (LST)

**Capital Improvement Program (CIP)** - CIP projects support design and construction of a wide range of infrastructure improvement projects. Each year the City has approximately \$45 million allocated to CIP projects.

Funding sources:

- Hotel Motel Tax
- GO Bonds
- LST

### Budget Summary

|                            | FY 2022<br>Actual | FY 2023<br>Actual | FY 2024<br>Original | FY 2024<br>Amended | FY 2025<br>Budget |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| <b>By Function</b>         |                   |                   |                     |                    |                   |
| Parks & Recreation Admin.  | 921,193           | 906,018           | 934,738             | 978,986            | 1,115,474         |
| Golf Course Operation      | 1,681,378         | 1,995,784         | 1,971,475           | 2,296,344          | 2,112,197         |
| Parks Operations           | 2,230,925         | 2,329,414         | 2,509,496           | 2,485,279          | 2,521,192         |
| Recreation Programs        | 1,983,967         | 2,124,925         | 1,965,851           | 2,861,380          | 2,002,371         |
| Self-Sustaining Programs   | 344,725           | 334,854           | 443,577             | 443,577            | 0                 |
| River's Edge               | 733,979           | 850,271           | 990,969             | 990,969            | 832,121           |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>7,896,167</b>  | <b>8,541,266</b>  | <b>8,816,106</b>    | <b>10,056,535</b>  | <b>8,583,355</b>  |
| <b>By Object</b>           |                   |                   |                     |                    |                   |
| Employee Expense           | 4,754,578         | 5,292,195         | 5,541,663           | 6,333,725          | 5,126,650         |
| Supplies & Services        | 1,944,353         | 2,000,609         | 1,886,800           | 2,306,333          | 2,202,106         |
| Capital Outlay             | 160,358           | 127,155           | 149,000             | 148,513            | 149,000           |
| Allocated Expenses         | 1,036,878         | 1,121,307         | 1,238,643           | 1,267,964          | 1,105,599         |
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| <b>By Fund</b>             |                   |                   |                     |                    |                   |
| General Fund               | 4,327,600         | 4,486,770         | 4,511,074           | 5,358,772          | 4,184,200         |
| Trust & Agency Fund        | 755,114           | 829,499           | 895,407             | 964,902            | 940,583           |
| Golf Course Operating Fund | 1,772,538         | 2,088,942         | 2,069,937           | 2,394,806          | 2,274,185         |
| Youth Sports/Dad's Club    | 146,578           | 156,306           | 199,719             | 198,573            | 203,266           |
| Local Option Sales Tax     | 160,358           | 128,342           | 149,000             | 148,513            | 149,000           |
| River's Edge               | 733,979           | 850,271           | 990,969             | 990,969            | 832,121           |
| Flood Fund                 | 0                 | 1,136             | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
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## Operating Funding



### Operating Summary:

- The Parks and Recreation Department uses funds from a variety of sources to maintain over 3,600 acres of park land and provide passive and active recreational opportunities for the community. Approximately 60% of the budget comes from the *General Fund* and *Trust and Agency Fund*.
- Approximately 25% of the department's budget accounts for the operation of the city's three public golf courses as an enterprise fund. The FY 2025 budget decreased by 2.64% primarily due to the elimination of the Stepping Stones positions and the transfer of this program back to the Davenport Community School District.

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## Enterprise Funds



### What is a Enterprise Fund?

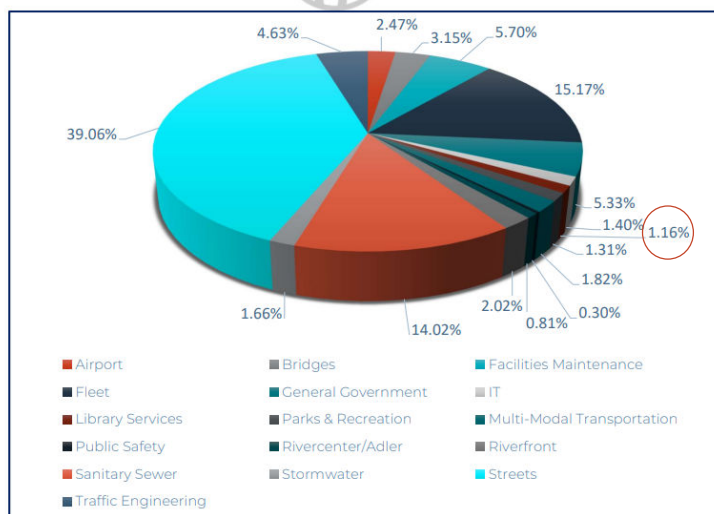
- A financially self-sufficient program generates enough revenue in exchange for its products and services to cover all of its expenses, from payroll, to inventory, to office supplies and utilities.

Examples:

- Golf Courses
- The River's Edge

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**CIP Summary by Program  
2025 Budget**



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## Capital Improvement Program

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| Funding  | Project                                      | FY 2025             | FY 2026             | FY 2027             | FY 2028             | FY 2029             | FY 2030             |
|----------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| LST      | CITY CEMETERY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM            | \$ 10,000           | \$ 10,000           | \$ 10,000           | \$ 10,000           | \$ 10,000           | \$ 10,000           |
| LST      | LECLAIRE PARK BANDSHELL IMPROVEMENTS         | \$ -                | \$ 25,000           | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                |
| LST      | PARK SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS                   | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ -                | \$ -                |
| LST      | PARKS SIGN CONVERSION PROGRAM                | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           | \$ 30,000           |
| GO BONDS | AQUATIC FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS              | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 500,000          |
| GO BONDS | CREDIT ISLAND   PARK IMPROVEMENTS            | \$ -                | \$ 300,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 100,000          | \$ 100,000          |
| GO BONDS | DUCK CREEK   PARK IMPROVEMENTS               | \$ 400,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | DUCK CREEK IRRIGATION SYSTEM                 | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 250,000          | \$ 350,000          | \$ 275,000          |
| GO BONDS | GOLF COURSE IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM             | \$ 225,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 225,000          | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | HARD SURFACE REPAIR PROGRAM                  | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 250,000          | \$ -                | \$ 250,000          |
| GO BONDS | JUNIOR THEATRE   BUILDING RENOVATIONS        | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 75,000           | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | PARK AMENITY ADA ACCESS PROGRAM              | \$ 250,000          | \$ -                | \$ 250,000          | \$ -                | \$ 250,000          | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | PARK DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM                     | \$ 350,000          | \$ 350,000          | \$ 350,000          | \$ 350,000          | \$ 350,000          | \$ 350,000          |
| GO BONDS | PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT PROGRAM               | \$ -                | \$ 170,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 170,000          |
| GO BONDS | RIVERFRONT   LECLAIRE PARK BANDSHELL SEATING | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 40,000           |
| GO BONDS | RIVER'S EDGE   IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM           | \$ 250,000          | \$ -                | \$ 500,000          | \$ -                | \$ 250,000          | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | SHOWMOBILE REPLACEMENT                       | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 500,000          | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | SOCCER COMPLEX   IRRIGATION REPLACEMENT      | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 100,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | VANDER VEER   STONE BUILDING ROOF            | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 150,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | VANDER VEER   STONE FOUNTAIN RENOVATION      | \$ 100,000          | \$ 1,000,000        | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                |
| GO BONDS | VANDER VEER   WARMING HOUSE REMODEL          | \$ -                | \$ 150,000          | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -                |
|          | <b>TOTALS</b>                                | <b>\$ 1,645,000</b> | <b>\$ 2,065,000</b> | <b>\$ 1,270,000</b> | <b>\$ 1,070,000</b> | <b>\$ 2,140,000</b> | <b>\$ 1,725,000</b> |

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## Golf Report

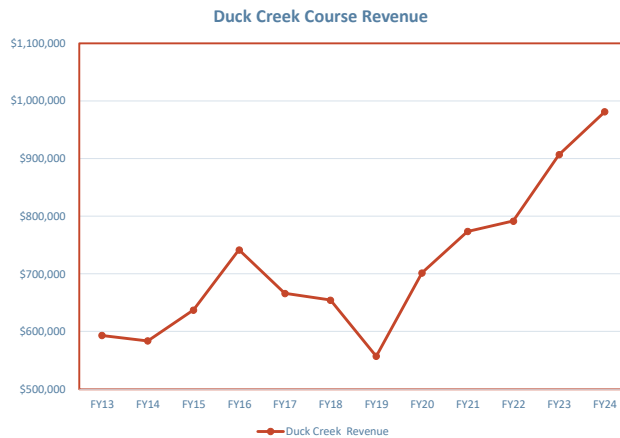
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# Duck Creek

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## Future Course Improvement Priorities:

- Irrigation System Replacement
- Cart Path Addition
- Practice Range Renovation
- Additional Tee Box Renovations

## Recent or Upcoming Improvements:

- Pond Bank Renovation #14-Fall 2024
- Maintenance Garage Eaves, Gutters, Coverings-Fall-Winter 2024
- #18 Cart Path Replacement- Fall 2024

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## Future Course Improvement Priorities:

- Clubhouse Replacement
- 'Championship Tee' Renovations
- Golf Course Master Plan-Course Improvements

## Recent or Upcoming Improvements:

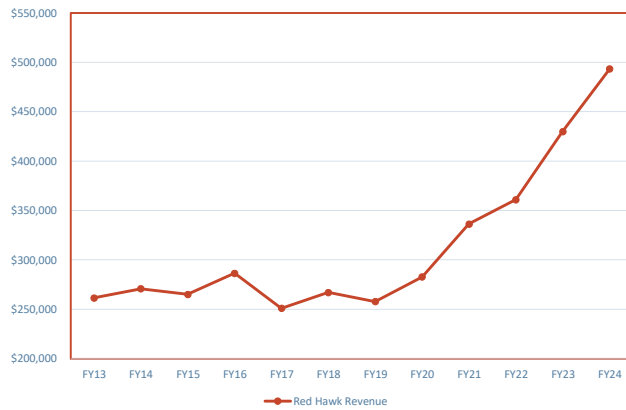
- Maintenance Building Covering
- Cart Path Extensions-Fall 2024

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# Red Hawk



Red Hawk Course Revenue



## Future Course Improvement Priorities:

- New Pond Fountain #3 hole
- Pump Station Upgrades
- New Tee Signs
- Upgraded Business Sign

## Recent or Upcoming Improvements:

- Rental Cart Fleet Expansion and Upgrades- Spring 2025
- Planted 25 new trees, along Pine Street
- Sidewalk Repairs

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**Action / Date**  
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Subject:  
Riverfront Improvement Commission Report

Recommendation:

Background:

Attachments:  
None

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**Action / Date**  
**10/17/2024**

Subject:  
Written Staff Reports

Recommendation:

Background:

Attachments:

1. 10-2024 Staff Report

**Park and Recreation Advisory Board**  
**October 2024**  
**Staff Report**

**Notable updates from Staff**

**Administrative Services**

- Senior management staff and Director Dyson attended the annual National Parks and Recreation Association's conference during the week of October 7-10.
- Becca Niles, along with two City staff-Allie McWilliams and Sgt. Andrew Harris, led an education session as part of the conference about the city's Good Neighbor Project and interdepartmental collaboration.
- The new Communications Assistant is beginning development of two new department publications - Annual Report, released in alignment with the fiscal year and a Recreation Magazine, released in alignment with the calendar year.
- AmeriCorps staff have continued to onboard new members. One additional onboarding is scheduled for October 28. With this onboarding, only one position will remain unfilled.
- AmeriCorps staff attended the annual Kick Off event, hosted by Volunteer Iowa, a three-day training October 8-10.

**Park Operations**

- Staff is working on winterizing water services to Park amenities.
- Staff has been removing summer flowers and prepping for winter beautification with holiday lights.
- Staff installed story walk boards at Green Acres Park.
- The Cork Hill splash pad was completed and is now ready for next season.
- A flex area has been installed at the Centennial Park dog of leash area, allowing for a rotation of the two areas and installation of amenities.
- New security cameras have arrived. Staff has been setting up the units to allow for installation.
- Staff has completed snow plow training in preparation of winter.
- Staff has been busy repairing damage to playground pieces at Jersey Farms Park, Tyler Park, Dohse Splash & Play, and Sunderbruch Park.

**Recreation**

- Staff have opened Fairmont Community Center; working out the kinks with the building, it is averaging 15 kids a night for drop-in. programming. Staff have started taking rentals and will be adding more structured programming in the winter session.
- Staff registered 41 teams for volleyball; more than ever before.
- The Adaptive & Inclusive AmeriCorps Member has created a *Bee Adaptive Club* at St. Ambrose. The purpose of the club is to give St. Ambrose students the opportunity to participate in activities with adaptive and inclusive populations.
- Daniel Sheridan, Performing Arts Supervisor had his last day October 1. Staff are working with Human Resources to process finding the next performing arts supervisor.
  - Michaela Gryzlo is the interim performing arts supervisor. Staff also continue to work internally and with stakeholders to develop the transition facility plan.
- The River's Edge staff did a great job overcoming many obstacles to get the second sheet of ice installed by the middle of September.

### **Golf Operations**

- Incredible weather has allowed golf courses to thrive this Fall, deep into October.
- Aerification of golf greens was completed in early September with very little disruption. Each course only closed 9 holes at a time.
- Capital projects are being organized for golf this Fall; New Covering of the Emeis Maintenance buildings, asphalt driveway upgrades, Duck Creek #18 cart path replacement.
- Duck Creek Golf wetland area is now completed perfectly, and 'bone dry' so just add water - please! No one imagined a completely dry construction timeframe in that area)
- Duck Creek golf staff continues to shuttle and shape the earth/soil that was excavated from the wetland - into mounding, berms, and 'smoothing out' problem areas on the property.
- Red Hawk will close for the season Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> after a great season.
- Emeis will run out the rest of November, and Duck Creek will remain partially open as long as golf is possible.

## **Communication Updates**

- Community Events
  - Halloween Parade | Sunday, 10/27 | 2PM | Downtown Davenport
  - City-wide Trick or Treating | Thursday, 10/31 | 5:30-7:30PM | throughout Davenport
  - Letters to the North Pole | Everyday, 11/30-12/15 | The River's Edge, Vander Veer Conservatory, Fejervary Learning Center
  - Fejervary Holiday Lights Display | Everyday, 11/30-1/5 | 5:30-9:30PM | Fejervary Learning Center
  - Vander Veer Poinsettia & Lights | Everyday, 11/30-1/12 | Vander Veer Conservatory
- Notable Dates
  - Closed for Veterans Day holiday
    - Monday, 11/11 | All Park Facilities/Offices (except The River's Edge and Golf Courses-weather permitting)
  - Vander Veer Conservatory fall/winter schedule
    - Normal Operating Hours: Tuesday-Sunday 10AM-4PM (Closed on Mondays)
    - Closed for Poinsettia & Lights display: everyday 11/12-11/29
    - Special Extended Evening Hours: Saturdays, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14 and 12/21 | 10AM-7PM
    - Holiday Closures
      - Monday-Friday, 11/25-11/29
      - Wednesdays-Thursdays, 12/25-12/26 and 1/1-1/2
    - Early Closures: Tuesdays, 12/24 and 12/31 | 10AM-2PM

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**Action / Date**  
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Recommendation:

Background:

Attachments:  
None