



Greenways and Open Space Commission

8-7-24 Minutes

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Metro Parks Boardroom 2565 Park Plaza

In Attendance: Jeanie Nelson Chair, Mark Deutschmann Vice Chair, Brenda Gilmore, Sandy Ewing, Tyler Yarbrow, Clay Capp, Ginny Welsch, Joseph Y Lee; Ed Henley-Parks Dept. liaison; Donald Anthony, Planning Dept. liaison; Erica Greene, Coco House, David Diaz-Barriga – Metro Parks; Amy Crownover, Greenways for Nashville.

I. Call to order.

Jeanie Nelson called the meeting to order at 11:34 am.

II. Minutes from the June 12, 2024, commission meeting were approved with no amendments.

III. Public comment period.

No public comment was made.

IV. Open Space Acquisition and Discussion and Project Updates.

Cindy Harrison presented on the benefits of open space, how open space is acquired and community needs for open space. Cindy provided examples of how partnerships and funding assist in the creation and implementation of parks and greenways.

V. Greenways for Nashville report.

Amy Crownover provided updates on Dinner by the Bridge planning, invitations forthcoming, community engagement activities and the trailhead restoration project.

VI. Metro department reports.

Planning representative Donald Anthony was introduced. Donald spoke about several studies that are on-going and being developed. He spoke about the need to coordinate planning efforts between Metro Departments, and a community requested conservation strategy plan.

VII. Chair's report.

Jeanie spoke about attending ribbon cuttings. The October Field Trip, the Transit Plan, and the Belle Meade Highlands Study were discussed.

VIII. Other business.

There was no other business discussed.

IX. Adjournment.

Jeanie adjourned the meeting at 1:05 pm.

Remaining 2024 Meeting Dates: 11:30 AM -1:00 PM, Metro Parks Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, unless otherwise noted:

October 9, 2024 – Field Trip - 440 Greenway Sevier Park to Gale Lane Park to Browns Creek Park

December 11, 2024 - End of year roundup