

**METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

**MAY 6, 2025**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Dr. Michelle Steele, Mr. Pete DeLay, Mr. Shan Foster, Mr. Edward Henley III, and Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes. Mr. Crews Johnston and Ms. Cheryl Mayes were not present. Ms. Tessa Ortiz-Marsh was present to represent Metro Legal.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Michelle Steele.

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD APRIL 1, 2025, APPROVED**

Upon the motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes and seconded by Mr. DeLay April 1, 2025, meeting minutes were approved, as presented.

**V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

Council Member Jeff Gregg was in attendance and commented on item 05-25-02.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**04-25-09**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK AND  
BOTTOMS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF AN IN-KIND GRANT, VALUED AT  
APPROXIMATELY \$30,000.00, FOR IMPROVEMENTS, AT SHELBY PARK.**

Upon the motion of Mr. DeLay, seconded by Ms. Scott-Barnes and discussion, the Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms request for acceptance of an in-kind grant, valued at approximately \$30,000.00, for improvements of new wayfinding signs, 10 park information signs, 3 park map kiosks, and invasive plant management and native plant installation at Shelby Park and Bottoms, was approved. There is no required match by Metro Parks associated with this grant. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. This project will be paid for directly by Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms. Council District 6

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### **VII. OLD BUSINESS (cont'd)**

**04-25-10**

#### **BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF THE WATKINS COLLEGE OF ART AT BELMONT UNIVERSITY FOR ACCEPTANCE OF AN IN-KIND GRANT, NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00, FOR A COMMISSIONED MURAL OF ART ON THE REAR EXTERIOR WALL OF THE EASLEY COMMUNITY CENTER.**

Mr. Shan Foster reported that the Public Art Committee met this morning and unanimously agreed to defer the request to a future meeting.

The Watkins College of Art at Belmont University request of an in-kind grant, not to exceed \$20,000.00, for a commissioned mural of art on the rear exterior wall of the Easley Community Center at E.S. Rose Complex (1000 Edgehill Ave, Nashville, TN), was deferred to a future meeting. Watkins College of Art is a recipient of Metro Arts' THRIVE program award. This program connects artists and organizations with the community to create investments, cultural connections, and transformations. THRIVE empowers artists and organizations to strengthen and cultivate communities in Davidson County. There is no required match by Metro Parks associated with this grant. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. This project will be paid for directly by the Watkins College of Art. Council District 6

### **VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

**05-25-01**

#### **BOARD APPROVES MAY 2025 CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion of Mr. Henley, and seconded by Mr. DeLay, and discussion, the May 2025 Consent Agenda, was approved.

#### **AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL**

• 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Fling	Edwin Warner Park	Fri., May 9, 2025
• Pack – Celebration of Life	Edwin Warner Park	Fri., May 9, 2025
• Park Explorer Family Day	Shelby Park	Sat., May 10, 2025
• Gonzalez Picnic	Cedar Hill Park	Sun., May 18, 2025
• Day Potluck	E.S. Rose Park	Sun., May 18, 2025
• Wilson Birthday Celebration	Fannie Mae Dees Park	Sun., May 18, 2025
• Nashville Murph 2025	Shelby Park	Mon., May 26, 2025
• Metro Human Relations Commission	Centennial Art Center	Thur., May 29, 2025
• North Nashville Music Series	Kossie Gardner Park	May 29, Jun. 26, Jul. 31 & Aug 28, 2025
• Hometown Half	Richland Park Greenway	Sat., May 31, 2025
• Nashville Cricket Association	Whites Creek Cricket Ground	May 31 – June 29, 2025
• Farley Celebration of Life	Edwin Warner Park	Sun., Jun. 1, 2025
• Loving This Night	Centennial Park	Wed., Jun. 4, 2025
• Horne Church Picnic	Cedar Hill Park	Sun., Jun. 8, 2025
• Live in Da 6-1-5!	Reservoir Park	Jun 13 & 14, 2025
• ADO Family Picnic	Mill Ridge Park	Sat., Jun. 21, 2025

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#### VIII. CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)

• Family Reunion	Two Rivers Park	Sat., Jul. 12, 2025
• Word Family Reunion	Two Rivers Park	Sat., Jul. 19, 2025
• Cleveland Park Pool Party	Cleveland Park	Sat., Jul. 19, 2025
• Bordeaux Hills Community Day	Hartman Park	Sat., Aug. 2, 2025
• Johnson Picnic	Cedar Hill Park	Sat., Aug. 2, 2025
• Adrienne & Roy Wedding	Centennial Park	Fri., Aug. 29, 2025
• Cherry's Family Reunion	Shelby Park	Sat., Aug. 30, 2025
• PMCoE Picnic	Edwin Warner Park	Thur., Sep. 11, 2025
• Living Fine in D29 - Fall Festival	Smith Spring Park	Sat., Sep. 13, 2025
• Amrize 2025 Family Picnic	Shelby Park	Sat., Sep. 20, 2025
• Music City Head Race	East Bank Landing/Wasioto Park	Oct. 10 & 11, 2025
• Sharing of Middle TN Remembrance Walk	Fannie Mae Dees Park	Sat., Oct. 18, 2025
• 31 <sup>st</sup> Annual Season to Remember	Centennial Park	Thru, Dec. 11, 2025
• Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt 2026	East Park	Sat., Mar. 28, 2026

#### **AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING**

• Chestnut Hill Neighborhood BBQ	Dudley Park	Sat., May 31, 2025
• Moose Trucks 10,000 Scoop Challenge	Walk of Famed Park	Thur., Jun 12, 2025
• 37208 Fund Community Day/Winsday Fest	Hadley Park	Sat., Jul. 12, 2025
• Wounded Warrior Project-Carry Forward 5K	Public Square Park	Sat., Sep. 13, 2025
• Charlie Brown Christmas 5K/10K	Shelby Park	Sat., Dec. 13, 2025

#### **AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL**

• Longest Day of the Year Fastest Mile	Rose Park	Sat., Jun. 21, 2025
• Baby Shower	Edwin Warner Park	Sat., Jun. 28, 2025
• July 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fireworks	Mill Ridge Park	Fri., Jul. 4, 2025
• White/Wilder Wedding	Percy Warner Park	Sat., Jul. 12, 2025
• Southeast Community Day 2025	Mill Ridge Park	Sat., Jul. 26, 2025
• AmericanFest Marketplace	Walk of Fame Park	Sat., Sep. 13, 2025
• Pear Jam	Mill Ridge Park	Sat., Sep. 27, 2025
• NightLight615	Wasioto Park	October 16 & 17, 2025
• TN Hot Sauce Expo	East Park	October 18 & 19, 2025
• St. Patrick's Music City Half 10K/5K	Shelby Park	Sat., Mar. 14, 2025

#### **ALCOHOL**

• Hall – Williams Wedding	Percy Warner Park	Thur., Jun. 6, 2025
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#### **FUNDRAISING**

• Tour De Nash	Frankie Pierce Park/Cumberland Greenway	Sat., May 17, 2025
• Run With A Hero Fun Run	Cedar Hill Park	Sat., May 24, 2025
• 25 <sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Dash 5K	Fort Negley Park	Mon., May 26, 2025
• The Walk for Apraxia Nashville	Shelby Park	Sat., Sep. 13, 2025

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**05-25-02**

**BOARD APPROVES THE ANNUAL PERMIT FOR USE OF PARK SPACE FOR THE FRIENDS OF DONELSON TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY GARDEN, AT HEARTLAND PARK.**

Upon the motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. Henley and discussion, the Permit for Use of Park Space for the Friends of Donelson to establish a community garden on the property located at (3101 Heartland Drive, Hermitage, TN) at Heartland Park, was approved. The permit is for a period of one year contingent upon all permit obligations being met (copies of the permit will be available for review at the board meeting). Council District 15

**05-25-03**

**BOARD APPROVES ANNUAL PERMIT FOR USE OF PARK SPACE FOR THE GLENCLIFF NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP TO HOST A FARMERS' MARKET, AT COLEMAN PARK.**

Upon the motion of Mr. Henley, seconded by Mr. DeLay and discussion, the Permit for Use of Park Space for the Glencliff Neighborhood Group to host a Farmers' Market on the property located at (384 Thompson Lane, Nashville TN) at Coleman Park, was approved. The permit is from the period May to July. The permit could be renewed as an annual permit if decided. Copies of the permit will be available for review at the board meeting. Council District 16

**05-25-04**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST TO RENEW AND ULTIMATELY ACCEPT THE CHILDREN AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM (CACFP) GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.**

Upon the motion of Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. DeLay and discussion, the renewal and ultimate acceptance of the Children and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) grant for Fiscal Year 2026, was approved. This program provides nutritious meals and snacks for children attending the afterschool programs in seventeen (17) community centers. Council District City Wide

**IX. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

**05-25-05**

**BOARD ACCEPTS A \$2,000.00 GENERAL DONATION FROM THE FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK AND BOTTOMS.**

Upon the motion of Mr. Henley, seconded by Mr. DeLay and discussion, a \$2,000 general donation from the Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms to the Metro Parks and Recreation Division, was accepted. Council District 6

**05-25-06**

**BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT, NOT TO EXCEED \$1,152,000.00, FROM THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARK TO FUND THE NEXT PHASE OF IMPROVMENTS, IN WARNER PARK.**

Upon the motion of Mr. Henley, seconded by Mr. DeLay and discussion, an in-kind grant, not to exceed \$1,152,000.00, from Friends of Warner Park to fund the next phase of improvements in Warner Parks, was accepted. There is no required match by Metro Parks associated with this grant. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. All projects will be paid for directly by Friends of Warner Park. Council District 24  
Proposed Improvement projects:

BIRD Program	175,000
Sweat Program (Program costs in excess of SWEAT grant)	30,000
Urban Nature (Program costs in excess of Staff grant)	95,000
Volunteer program	42,000
Nature Center operations & support	35,000
Invasive plant removal	400,000
Memorial benches & gardens (replacement & maintenance)	25,000
Meadow's restoration	50,000
Miscellaneous improvements (stonework, shelter repair, etc.)	50,000

**05-25-07**

**BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT, VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$95,000.00, FROM THE MIDDLE TENNESSEE PONY CLUB FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A GRASS RIDING SURFACE, AT PERCY WARNER PARK.**

Upon the motion of Mr. Foster, seconded by Ms. Scott-Barnes and discussion, an in-kind grant, valued at approximately \$95,000.00, for the installation of a grass riding surface at Percy Warner Park, was accepted.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

The project includes regrading the surface to have a consistent 1-2% grade using existing and high-quality topsoil and sand/soil fill, installing in-ground sprinklers packing, seeding with a Bermuda and ryegrass mix, and planting native trees along the Old Hickory Boulevard right-of-way to provide a sound and visual buffer between the riding surface and traffic. There is no required match by Metro Parks associated with this grant. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. This project will be paid for directly by MTPC and all future maintenance other than mowing. Parks maintenance staff will continue to mow the area as they do currently and will not require additional labor. Council District 34

**05-25-08**

**BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT, VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$1,500.00, FROM THE FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK AND BOTTOMS TO FUND BUS RENTALS FOR THE SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS TO VISIT SHELBY PARK AND BOTTOMS.**

Upon the motion of Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Henley and discussion, an in-kind grant, valued at approximately \$1,500.00, from the Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms to fund bus rentals for the Summer Enrichment programs at the Kirkpatrick, East and South Inglewood Community Centers to visit Shelby Park and Bottoms, was accepted. There is no required match by Metro Parks associated with this grant. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. The rentals will be paid for directly by the Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms. Council District 6

**05-25-09**

**STAFF WITHDRAWS THE SISTER CITIES OF NASHVILLE REQUEST OF ACCEPTANCE OF AN IN-KIND GRANT, VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$8,500.00, FOR A COMMISSIONED MURAL OF ART, AT MORGAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER.**

The Sister Cities of Nashville request of an in-kind grant, valued at approximately \$8,500.00, for a commissioned mural of art on the exterior side wall of the Morgan Park Community Center, was withdrawn to confirm maintenance details. Sister Cities of Nashville and Andree Rudloff (mural artist) received a grant from the Metro Arts Commission to fund this project. There is no required match by Metro Parks associated with this grant. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. This project will be paid for directly by the Sister Cities of Nashville. Council District 19

**IX. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

**05-25-10**

**BOARD DEFERS STAFF REQUEST OF A DEDICATED CONSERVATION  
GREENWAY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 0 KEMP DR. HERMITAGE, TN PARCEL  
#087100B90000CO, ALONG DRY FORK CREEK, TO THE ACQUISITION  
COMMITTEE.**

The request to accept a dedicated Conservation Greenway Easement located at 0 Kemp Dr. Hermitage, TN, parcel #087100B90000CO, along Dry Fork Creek, was deferred to the Acquisition Committee. This greenway easement will conserve 2.48 acres of open space and provide for future expansion of the Stones River/Stoners Creek/Dry Fork Creek greenway network. The easement dedication was a condition of the Planning Commission's approval of the subdivision Outlook at Arron's Cress, 2023S-189-001. Council District 12.

**05-25-11**

**BOARD DEFERS STAFF REQUEST OF A DEDICATED CONSERVATION  
GREENWAY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 532 KEMP DR. HERMITAGE, TN PARCEL  
#087100B01100CO, ALONG DRY FORK CREEK, TO THE ACQUISITION  
COMMITTEE.**

The request to accept a dedicated Conservation Greenway Easement located at 532 Kemp Dr. Hermitage, TN, parcel #087100B01100CO, along Dry Fork Creek, was deferred to the Acquisition Committee. This greenway easement will conserve .003 acres of open space and provide for future expansion of the Stones River/Stoners Creek/Dry Fork Creek greenway network. The easement dedication was a condition of the Planning Commission's approval of the subdivision Outlook at Arron's Cress, 2023S-189-001. Council District 12.

**X. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**MR. JOHN HOLMES PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE REVENUE  
PRODUCING FACILITIES DIVISION TO THE BOARD.**

Mr. John Holmes, Assistant Director of the Revenue Producing Facilities Division, provided an informational overview of the Revenue Producing Facilities activities and highlights.

**THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE  
BOARD.**

Ms. Jane Avinger, COO of Friends of Warner Parks, provided an annual update to the Parks Board. Ms. Avinger highlighted program growth and education, conservation and capital improvements, and FOWP's strategy for long-term financial stability during her presentation.

**THE FRIENDS OF HADLEY TENNIS PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE  
BOARD.**

Ms. Fannie Holmes, President of Friends of Hadley Tennis thanked the Parks Board for their continued partnership. Ms. Holmes then introduced Mr. Joe Goldthreate, Executive Director of Friends of Hadley Tennis. Mr. Goldthreate thanked the Parks Board for their partnership and announced that this would be his last year, and that Mr. Curtis Harlem would take over as Executive Director upon his retirement. Mr. Goldthreate highlighted fiscal year 2024, fundraising initiatives, community clinics, outreach goals, and future programming plans during his presentation.



**XI. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – JOE STOVAL**

1<sup>st</sup> + Gay – Park Redevelopment

- Ready to BID. Waiting on Fire Station HQ to finish design, approx. JAN/FEB 26

Cedar Hill Park – Miracle League Field

- Working on alternate funding and plan to re-apply this next round and also place in FY26 CSP ask.

Centennial – Master Plan, Phase Three

- Intent to award sent out 16APR25, working through process to award

Fort Negley -Master Plan, Phase One

- Working to have out to BID middle of MID MAY25

Lytle Bend Nature Park

- Construction/development stage in progress open to public by JULY25

Madison Station – Design

- Design at 60%. No construction funding at this time.

Master Plan Update

- Working to schedule public outreach and community events

Mariposa – Design

- Working through the process to award contract.

Mill Ridge Phase II

- Working to BID by end of JUNE25

Old Hickory - Community Center Design

- Site work and building at 75%. Looks good!!

Ravenwood Phase I Restroom

- Work has started on on-site build and working to have open by FALL 25

Shelby – Davidson St. Streambank Stabilization

- Po issued. Work begins 02JUNE25. Separate issue --Working to remediate storm damage from week of 07APR25. Davidson Street is closed in front of the Naval building, and approx. 1000 ft in each direction, a detour is in place.

Shelby Naval Building

- Design in progress. Working with FOSP.

Trinity Hills Phase I

- Design at 90%

Two Rivers – Mansion Events Center

- Design complete. No construction phase funding at this time.

**Mayor's PB Budget Projects – FY24**

Current progress

- Timothy Park – New PG, new BB courts to include surfacing and goals, re-pave walking trail. Final site prep and clean up in progress, planning to open first week of MAY25
- Antioch Park – Install a regulation soccer field and establish a soccer equipment rental program with CC. Design complete. Working with IDIQ contractors to schedule site work and get final MWS permit.

**COMPLETED IN THE LAST (6) MONTHS**

- McFerrin Park Mayors PB project
- Dudley Park Mayors PB Project
- Coleman Park Mayors PB Project
- Hartmann Restrooms

**XII. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE – CINDY HARRISON**

**METRO – FUNDED GREENWAY PROJECTS**

**Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway**

- Developing an easement agreement with Cheatham County Rail Authority for the use of a portion of their land.
- Working to procure additional greenway easements and open space from adjacent private property owners.

**440 Greenway Sevier Park to Brown's Creek Park**

- Permitting for this new 1-mile segment of greenway is underway
- Project will be bid in 2025.

**440 Greenway Park Plaza to Existing Interior Trails Centennial Park and 440 Greenway Phase One Lighting**

- Project is in the permitting phase.
- 0.2 Miles
- Project will be bid in 2025

**Whites Creek Greenway at Hartman Park**

- Will extend the Whites Creek Greenway Mullins Park to Hartman Park. 1 mile extension along Tucker Road and across flood buyout property along West Hamilton Avenue to Buena Vista Pike.
- Design development phase.
- Input meeting was held on 3/22/25 with neighbors directly adjacent to proposed greenway trail

**Opry Mills Connector**

- 1 Mile
- TAP Grant application has been submitted.

**Trinity Hills / Habitat Park and Greenway**

- Design phase

**Greene Property Acquisition at Ft. Negley**

- Metro was awarded an American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Land Acquisition Grant for the acquisition of land on Bass Street directly adjacent to Ft. Negley.
- The American Battlefield Trust closed on the property on November 1, 2024. Conservation easements are in development. Trust will deed the property to Metro in 2025

**Mill Creek Greenway Earthwork Project**

- Preconstruction was held
- Construction will commence as soon as the area dries out

**PRIVATELY FUNDED GREENWAY PROJECTS**

**CRG at Peabody Union**

- Greenway was opened on 4/21/2025
- 0.2 Miles of greenway with landscaping, river and downtown skyline views, public gathering spaces and trail-oriented development with retail, residential, office space and restaurant space.
- Perpetual maintenance of the greenway.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of Greenway Trailhead Upgrades**

- Greenways for Nashville
- 30 trailheads included in this phase.
- Work on the Cumberland River Greenway segment is complete. Mill Creek Greenway, Richland Creek Greenway and Seven Mile Creek Greenway trailheads are underway.

**Richland Creek Greenway – Belle Meade Plaza**

- Proposed greenway trail as part of redevelopment project
- Final site plan is under review.

**Harpeth River Greenway Ariza Bellevue**

- Project includes construction of new greenway connection from existing trail on Morton Mill Road to existing pedestrian bridge and future park development on land donated by Dorothy Kate and Thomas Frist Foundation.
- Submitted application to TDOT Excess Land Committee in March 2025, for acquisition of state-owned property currently leased to Metro
- Final site plan review is underway
- Includes 25+-acre open space dedication to Metro Parks
- The new vehicular bridge will allow connections to undeveloped park property.
- Meetings are on-going with the development team to design greenway railroad underpass/tunnel. Coordination with CSX, FEMA, Metro Water Services, Parks Maintenance, Metro Planning
- Structural design of the bridge underpass is being reviewed by Metro consultant team.

**Cumberland River Greenway at 2<sup>nd</sup> and VanBuren**

- This project involves a proposed greenway amendment and routing realignment of the existing greenway segment on this property which has been approved by the Greenways and Open Space Commission, the Park Board and Metro Council.
- The project will involve reconstruction of the existing greenway, new landscaping and lighting, and maintenance, all to be provided by the developer or future owners, in perpetuity.

**Harpeth River Greenway at Newsom Station residential development**

- Project includes greenway easement dedication, design and construction of new segment of greenway, and associated landscape installation and maintenance. Continuing to work with the developer to establish routing for the greenway trail.

**Harpeth River Greenway at Harpeth Lake Development**

- Project may include incorporating a greenway easement and trail connecting to Newsom Station residential development and future off-site connection.

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### XII. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE – CINDY HARRISON (cont'd)

#### Richland Creek Greenway -White Bridge Trailhead to St. Thomas Hospital

- The new extension will be part of Harding Town development.
- The associated development has paused.

#### Cumberland River Greenway (CRG) at Modera Germantown

- Construction phase
- 0.07 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

#### CRG Modera at The Nations

- Rezoning Phase- Preliminary SP approved
- 0.12 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance
- Council approval of easement dedication in progress

#### CRG at River North

- Permitting phase in process
- Design, construction and maintenance

#### CRG at Oracle

- Miles TBD
- Planning phase
- Maintenance
- Pedestrian Bridge

#### CRG at Pennington Bend

- Pennington Mills – Greenway easement dedication is in council approval process
- The Bend – Development on Pennington Bend Road at McGavock
  - Final Site Plan is in review

#### CRG at Stockyard 900 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North

- Project is under construction and includes reconstruction of the greenway, lighting, landscaping and maintenance in perpetuity.

#### Centennial Park connector at West End Ave

- Miles TBD
- Design concept under review

#### Ben Allen Greenway –

- Trail-oriented multi-family development
- Includes greenway easement, design, construction and maintenance of greenway trail by developer
- Trail is under construction

#### Broadmoor at Ben Allen Trail-oriented Development

- Final site plan is in review.
- Coordination is ongoing with the developer regarding greenway trail alignment and design
- The project will include design, construction and maintenance of the greenway as well as a permanent greenway easement dedication to Metro.

#### GREENWAY EASEMENT AND OPEN SPACE ACQUISITIONS UNDERWAY

- Richland Creek Greenway -White Bridge Trailhead to St. Thomas Hospital – Easement is a condition of SP approval of new Harding Town development
- Richland Creek Greenway at Belle Meade Plaza – Final site plan in review. Includes greenway easement, design, construction and maintenance of greenway
- Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway easement agreement with Cheatham County Rail Authority – in process
- Harpeth River Greenway at Bellevue –Ariza Bellevue - open space donation in process as part of the project's SP rezoning approval
- Holt Creek Greenway easement dedication in process
- Pages Branch Greenway at Trinity Lane easement dedication in process
- Pennington Bend Greenway easement dedication in process
- Harpeth River Greenway at Newsom Station- easement dedication in process

#### PROPERTY TRANSFERS AND LICENSES FROM OUTSIDE

##### AGENCIES

#### 440 Greenway Sevier Park to Browns Creek Park

- TDOT Excess Land License approved by Excess Land Committee.
- License Agreement approval in process – 1.4 Acres

#### Opry Mills Connector

- TDOT Excess Land License- approved by Council

#### Greene Property at Bass Street Acquisition

- Grant awarded for acquisition
- Purchase by the American Battlefield Trust closed on November 1, 2024. The Trust will place a conservation easement on the property and then deed the property over to Metro to be included in Ft. Negley Park.

#### Harpeth River Greenway at Ariza Bellevue

- 25-acre open space dedication to Metro Parks in process
- TDOT Excess Land acquisition in progress.

#### Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway

- Easement agreement in discussion with Cheatham County Rail Authority

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#### **XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – JACKIE JONES**

1. Bellevue Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Red Caboose Park

Friends of Warner Park Spring Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Warner Park Nature Center

2. 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Tennessee Craft Fair, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

Fridays by the River, Shelby Park Riverview Pavilion, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Shelby Park

3. Steps Forward to Cure TSC – Nashville Walk, 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Edwin Warner Park

Whisker Walk 5K & Fun Walk, 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Shelby Park

JE Dunn Hammer Down 5k, 10K, & 1 Mile Stroller, 7:00 a.m., Morgan Park

Get MOVE'n 5K, 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Edwin Warner Park

Pinnacle Financial 5K, 8:00 a.m., Two Rivers Park

Outdoor Yoga, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Mill Ridge Park

54<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Tennessee Craft Fair, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

Kite Fest, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park

4. 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Tennessee Craft Fair, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

Do Not Stop Half Marathon – 10k/5k, 7:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Two Rivers Park

Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. to noon, Richland Park

6. 12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park

7. StackAdapt's Conversion 2025 Convention Dinner, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Walk of Fame Park

Senior Fun Day, 12:00 – 3:30 p.m., Centennial Park Bandshell

8. Bellevue Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Red Caboose Park

9. Fridays by the River, Shelby Park Riverview Pavilion, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Shelby Park

10. Outdoor Yoga, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Mill Ridge Park

Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. to noon, Richland Park

Iroquois Steeplechase, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park

Girls on the Run Celebratory Spring 5k, 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., Two Rivers Park

NextStep 5k, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Shelby Park

FNP: Fossil Finders, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Fort Negley Park

Conexion Americas Viva Spring Festival, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Centennial Park

Handmade Nashville 2025 Spring Arts & Craft Show, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Red Caboose Park

Downtown Maker's Market, Riverfront Park

Walk to End Bladder Cancer, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., McCabe Park

South Nashville Mother's Day Celebration, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park

The 37208 Fund Community Day/Winsday Fest, 12:00 – 9:00 p.m., Hadley Park

11. Nashville Women's Triathlon, 5:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Centennial Park

Jazz on the Cumberland, 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Wasioto Park

Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. to noon, Richland Park

13. 12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park

15. YUM! East 2025, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., East Park

Bellevue Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Red Caboose Park

16. Fridays by the River, Shelby Park Riverview Pavilion, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Shelby Park

Musicians Corner, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park

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#### **XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – JACKIE JONES (cont'd)**

17. Walk in the Woods, 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Warner Parks

Tour De Nash, 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Frankie Pierce Park

Outdoor Yoga, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Mill Ridge Park

Family 5K, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park

Encounter the Way Concert, 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park Bandshell

The Nashville Rosé Festival, 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., East Park

Tennessee Mimosa Festival, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Riverfront Park

Cornelia Airpark Concerts, 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., Shelby Park – Airpark

Musicians Corner, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

Nashville Black Market Food Festival, 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Hadley Park

18. Mutt Strutt 5k, 7:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., Shelby Park

Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. to noon, Richland Park

Nashville Black Market Food Festival, 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Hadley Park

19. Move! Music City Annual Spring Fun Run, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Two Rivers Park

20. 12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park

21. Bellevue Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Red Caboose Park

23. Music City BMX National, 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Hamilton Creek Park

Musicians Corner, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park Full Moon Pickin' Party, 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Warner Park Nature Center

24. Outdoor Yoga, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Mill Ridge Park

Music City BMX National, 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Hamilton Creek Park

Run with a Hero Fun Run 5k, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Cedar Hill Park

CEO Reset Yoga, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Centennial Park

South Nashville Day of Remembrance, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Sevier Park

Musicians Corner, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

South Nashville Community Club Picnic, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Sevier Park

Fort Negley Park Guided Walking Tour, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., Fort Negley Park

Water Blessing and Celebration of River, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Wasioto Park

25. Music City BMX National, 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Hamilton Creek Park

Musicians Corner, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

26. Mindful Steps for Mindful Care 5k, 6:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., Shelby Park

Murph Workout, 6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Shelby Park

27. FNP: Sons of Union Veterans Bi-Monthly meeting, 6:00 p.m., Fort Negley Park

12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park

29. Bellevue Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Red Caboose Park

30. Musicians Corner, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park

31. Barre 3 at Grandstand, 6:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park

Outdoor Yoga, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Mill Ridge Park

Musicians Corner, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park

Hometown Half 5K/10K, 7:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Richland Park Greenway

**XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

- The Mayor's FY26 proposed budget allocates about 6.7 million in Operating Budget enhancements to our department. Which includes funding for armed security at community centers and other select facilities, critical increases for ground maintenance and building mechanical materials, and higher wages for part-time and seasonal staff. We are very grateful for the proposed enhancements
- As a reminder, our Metro Council Budget Hearing is May 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 p.m. Please come out and show your support for the department.
- Our team is working to schedule Public Community meetings for the month of June for the Plan to Play update/supplemental. More information about the meetings will be forthcoming as they are confirmed.
- The Caboose at Red Caboose Park is fenced off temporarily. The Caboose will have remediation and stabilization of lead paint and mold removal within the next couple of weeks.
- Hadley Tennis Center lights will be updated to LED over the coming months.
- West Parks Community Center will host part of its summer enrichment program at Cockrill Elementary as the gym at West Community Center is unsafe. Also, Old Hickory Community Center will host its summer enrichment program at DuPont Elementary as they have for the past two years as the center is being built. We are very grateful for our partnership with MNPS.
- We are working with the Metro Health Department for distribution of feminine hygiene products through community centers.
- Shout out to the Friends of Shelby Park for the reopening of the Nature Play area at Shelby Park, this past Saturday. It was a success despite the rain.
- Thank you to the Friends of Warner Park and the Nature Center Staff for their collaboration on offering training for Nature Detectives for Community Center staff. This was a fantastic opportunity for our department to be engaged in the environmental education of young people.
- As John Holmes mentioned during his presentation, Wave Country will open Memorial Day, and all staffing positions have been filled.

**XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (cont'd)**

- Three new Park Police trainees being the academy on May 1<sup>st</sup>. They will be joined by a lateral candidate in mid-June and hopefully all four will be successful in completing the academy in mid-October.
- I visited with the Women's Caucus of the Metro Council last week. It was great to give them an update on what's going on in Metro Parks.

**XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/OPEN ITEMS**

**With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.**

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Monique Horton Odom, Director

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Dr. Michelle Steele, Chairperson