

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING JUNE 2, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee, was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were Mr. Shan Foster, Mr. Edward Henley III, Ms. Alice Hudson Pell, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes and Dr. Michelle Steele. Board members not present were Ms. Cheryl Mayes and Mr. Pete DeLay. Ms. Macy Amos was present representing Metro Legal.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Shan Foster.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD APRIL 7, 2026, AND MAY 5, 2026, APPROVED

Upon a motion by Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes, seconded by Dr. Michelle Steele, and following discussion, the minutes of the April 7, and May 5, 2026, meetings were approved.

V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

None.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Steven Reiter addressed the Parks Board regarding Item 06-26-06.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

05-26-06

BOARD APPROVES CENTENNIAL PARK CONSERVANCY'S REQUEST FOR A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2565 PARK PLAZA

Upon a motion by Mr. Henley, seconded by Dr. Steele, and following discussion, the Board approved Centennial Park Conservancy's request for a lease agreement for Metro Parks property located at 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203. The property is approximately 2,300 square feet of office space and 48 feet of open area. Council District 21.

05-26-08

BOARD APPROVES THE METRO HISTORICAL COMMISSION'S REQUEST TO INSTALL A NEW HISTORICAL MARKER WITHIN EDWIN WARNER PARK COMMEMORATING THE NACHEZ TRACE

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Upon a motion by Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. Henley, and following discussion, the Board approved the Metro Historical Commission's request to install a new historical marker within Edwin Warner Park commemorating the Natchez Trace and its significance in early American transportation and communication. The marker will be funded through a donation from Friends of Warner Parks to the Metro Historical Commission. No funding or financial obligation is required by Metro Parks. Council District 34.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

06-26-01

BOARD APPROVES JUNE 2026 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion by Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. Henley, and following discussion to remove the amplification request for the Niko Moon Roots Album Release Party at Centennial Park on July 14, 2026, the June 2026 Consent Agenda was approved as amended.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

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| • Stevenson Family Picnic | Shelby Park | Fri. June 12, 2026 |
| • Juneteenth Community | Kossie Gardner Park | Thu. June 18, 2026 |
| • Love Yourself Community Walk/Run | Hadley-Lillard Park | Sun. June 21, 2026 |
| • Greater Faith Family and Friends | Watkins Park | Fri.-Sat. June 26-27, 2026 |
| • Empower Nashville Voter's Registration | East Park | Sat. June 27, 2026 |
| • Book Bus Birthday Bash | Cornelia Fort Airpark | Sat. June 27, 2026 |
| • New Day Church Community Game Night | Bellevue Park | Sun. July 12, 2026 |
| • Corlew Family Cookout | Mill Ridge Park | Sat. Aug. 8, 2026 |
| • Northside Reunion | Buena Vista Park | Sat. Aug. 15, 2026 |
| • Golden Pheasant Triathlon | Shelby Park | Sun. Sept. 27, 2026 |
| • New Day Church Community Fall Festival | Red Caboose Park | Sun. Oct. 25, 2026 |
| • 56 th Annual Spring Tenn. Craft Fair | Centennial Park | May 7-9, 2027 |

AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL APPROVAL

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| • Deberry Wedding | Cleveland Park | Sat. July 4, 2026 |
| • The Lemon Drop Festival | Centennial Park | Sat. July 18, 2026 |
| • Pear Jam | Mill Ridge Park | Sat. Sept. 26, 2026 |

AMPLIFICATION, FUNDRAISING AND ALCOHOL APPROVAL

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| • Nashville Musicians Aid Society Back to School Concert | Mill Ridge Park | Sun. Aug. 9, 2026 |
| • William's Weenie Roast | East Park | Sun. Sept. 6, 2026 |
| • A Bluegrass Bazaar | Walk of Fame Park | Fri.-Sun. Oct. 2-4, 2026 |
| • TN Hot Sauce Expo | East Park | Sat.-Sun. Oct. 24 - Oct. 25, 2026 |
| • Nashville Musicians Aid Society Fundraiser | Centennial Park | Sat. May 15, 2027 |

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AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Hello Summer! Congrats Records First Day of Summer | Shelby Park | Sun. June 21, 2026 |
| • 9 th Annual Domestic Violence Bully Walk | Hartman Park | Tues. July 28, 2026 |
| • Margaret Maddox YMCA Tomato 5K | East Park | Sat. Aug. 08, 2026 |
| • Hike for Safe Haven | Percy Warner Park | Sat. Nov. 7, 2026 |
| • 2026 Walk to End Alzheimer's | Centennial Park | Fri. Nov. 13, 2026 |
| • Full Belly 5K and Fun Run | Shelby Park | Sat. Nov. 28, 2026 |

FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Shade Tree Trot 5K | Centennial Park | Sun. Sept. 27, 2026 |
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IX. NEW BUSINESS

06-26-02

**BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT FROM FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS
NOT TO EXCEED \$1,285,000 TO FUND VARIOUS IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS WITHIN WARNER PARKS**

Upon a motion by Mr. Henley, seconded by Dr. Steele, and following discussion, the Board accepted an in-kind grant not to exceed \$1,285,000 from Friends of Warner Parks to fund various improvement projects and programs within Warner Parks, including conservation efforts, restoration projects, volunteer initiatives, and park infrastructure enhancements. This grant requires no matching funds or other obligations for Metro Parks. No funds will be transferred to Metro Parks. All projects will be paid for directly by Friends of Warner Parks.

Proposed projects include:

BIRD Program

SWEAT Program

Volunteer Program

Nature Discovery Program

Invasive Plant Removal

Memorial Benches and Gardens (Replacement and Maintenance)

Meadow Restoration

Stream Stabilization

Pedestrian Stone Bridge at Deep Well Entrance

Miscellaneous Park Improvements (Stonework, Shelter Repair, Lodge Repairs, etc.)

Tree Plantings

Council District 34.

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06-26-03

BOARD ACCEPTS CASH GRANT FROM THE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER NASHVILLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF TRINITY HILLS PARK

Upon a motion by Mr. Henley, seconded by Dr. Steele, and following discussion, the Board accepted a cash grant from Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville in the amount of \$60,000 for the construction phase of Trinity Hills Park, which will expand outdoor access, recreation, and connectivity for residents throughout Council District 2. No match or additional obligation is required from Metro Parks. Funds will be transferred to Metro Parks, which will manage all associated work. Council District 2.

06-26-04

BOARD ACCEPTS AN IN-KIND GRANT FROM CENTENNIAL PARK CONSERVANCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,135 FOR THE UPDATE TO THE CENTENNIAL PARK REVITALIZATION PLAN

Upon a motion by Dr. Steele, seconded by Ms. Hudson Pell, and following discussion, the Board accepted an in-kind grant from Centennial Park Conservancy in the amount of \$82,135 for the update of the Centennial Park Revitalization Plan. This grant requires no match or other obligation for Metro Nashville. No money will be sent to Metro Parks. The design project will be paid for by Centennial Park Conservancy and managed by Metro Parks. Council District 21.

06-26-05

BOARD ACCEPTS A CASH GRANT FROM THE NASHVILLE PARKS FOUNDATION OF UP TO \$20,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ELMINGTON PARK PLAYGROUND

Upon a motion by Mr. Henley, seconded by Dr. Steele, and following discussion, the Board accepted a cash grant of up to \$20,000 for improvements to the Elmington park Playground. Metro Parks will manage the project and continue maintenance after completion. No match or additional obligation is required from Metro Parks. Council District 24.

06-26-06

**PLANNING AND FACILITIES PRESENTS THE 2026 PLAN TO PLAY UPDATE:
MASTER PLAN FOR PARKS AND GREENWAYS TO THE BOARD**

Mr. Tim Netsch, Assistant Director of Planning and Facilities, presented the *2026 Plan to Play*, an update to the countywide Parks and Greenways Master Plan originally adopted in 2017. The update reflects changes since the original plan, including population growth, the pandemic, inflation, staffing challenges, and evolving community needs. The plan includes recommendations and a five-year action plan extending through 2031.

The presentation highlighted progress made since 2017, including the addition of nearly 600 acres of parkland, 16 new parks, 14 new greenway segments, expanded community center programming, and more than \$28 million in philanthropic contributions since 2021. Mr. Netsch noted that while significant progress has been made, population growth has outpaced some park system expansions, resulting in reduced per-capita service levels in certain areas.

The plan identifies over \$127 million in deferred maintenance needs and emphasizes prioritizing maintenance, life-cycle funding, and stewardship of existing assets before significant system expansion. Key recommendations include strategic land acquisition, greenway development, expanded partnerships and funding opportunities, protection of natural areas, and staffing increases to support existing and future facilities and programs.

Mr. Netsch outlined a three-tier funding approach. Tier One assumes flat funding and prioritizes deferred maintenance, ongoing maintenance needs, land acquisition, and completion of existing capital project commitments. Additional tiers would allow the system to grow alongside population increases and, ultimately, expand beyond current service levels if additional funding becomes available.

Mr. Netsch concluded the presentation with a review of planned projects, land acquisition goals, greenway expansions, and staffing recommendations necessary to support future growth. Staff is requesting Board adoption of the updated Plan to Play as the department's guiding parks and greenways master plan through 2031.

06-26-06 (cont'd)

**BOARD APPROVES STAFF REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE 2026 PLAN TO
PLAY UPDATE: MASTER PLAN FOR PARKS AND GREENWAYS**

Upon a motion by Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Dr. Steele, and following discussion, the Board approved the 2026 Plan to Play Update: Master Plan for Parks and Greenways.

X. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

CHEEKWOOD PROVIDES QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT TO THE BOARD

Ms. Jane MacLeod, President and CEO of Cheekwood, provided the quarterly update required under the Metro Parks/Cheekwood Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Ms. MacLeod provided an update on the organization's efforts to relocate visitor parking onto Cheekwood property in accordance with its agreement with Metro Parks. Ms. MacLeod reported that the "I Believe in Cheekwood, Where Love Grows" campaign has raised \$22.8 million toward its \$26 million goal for the new parking pavilion and welcome plaza. Debt financing has been secured, building permits have been obtained, and construction is underway. The project is scheduled for completion within 18 months and is expected to meet the December 2027 deadline, with hopes of opening by November 2027 for the Holiday Lights season. During construction, Cheekwood will continue to manage traffic through rideshare promotion, parking fees for non-members, and off-site shuttle services as needed. Ms. MacLeod expressed appreciation for the Board's longstanding partnership and support and reaffirmed Cheekwood's commitment to completing the project and maintaining its strong relationship with Metro Parks.

Mr. Henley expressed support for the start of construction on the parking pavilion project and acknowledged the challenges that construction activities may create, and asked whether project logistics, construction impacts, and related communications could be shared broadly with Metro Parks staff, visitors and the surrounding community to ensure stakeholders remain informed throughout the construction process.

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XI. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATES– JOE STOVALL

1ST + Gay-Park

Updating plan set at this time will go to BID soon.

Centennial – Master Plan, Phase Three

- Awarded to R.C Matthews. Site work in progress, completion in/around AUG/SEPT26

Fort Negley -Master Plan, Phase One

- Awarded to R.C Matthews, Site work in progress. Completion in/around FEB/MAR27

Madison Station Park

- Design completed. No construction phase funding currently.

Mariposa Park

- Awarded to Bulley-Andrews/Rock City. Site work in progress, completion in/around JUNE/JULY26

McCabe Playground replacement/improvements w NPF

- Work is finishing up, working to have open week of MAY 15,2026.

Mill Ridge Phase II

- Awarded to Bulley-Andrews/Rock City. Site work to start in June/July 2027

Mill Ridge Phase III

- Planning/Design to start soon.

Richland Park Library

- Working with GS and libraries to design and place new library branch.

Shelby Naval Building

- On hold

Parks Board Room/building upgrades

- Working on design and plan for construction

- On Hold

Ted Rhoades Golf Maintenance Shop and offices replacement building

- Designing has started. 8 mos until ready for BID

Trinity Hills Phase I

- Site work to start in next 30 days.

Two Rivers- Mansion Events Center

- Design complete. No construction phase funding currently.

West Park Community Center Design

- Designing has started. 8-10 mos. Until BID

Wharf Park

- Clean-up and fencing are complete. The site is secure, monitored, and locked. Currently no funding for design or construction Phase I of MP implementation.

Watkins Park- skate Park Phase II w/NPF

- NPF working on finalizing design and developing site work schedule

RECENTLY COMPLETED PROJECTS

- Shelby-Davidson St. Riverbank stabilization and Davidson Road repaired and repaved.
- Antioch Soccer Field addition.
- Old Hickory Community Center
- Harpeth Hills Golf-safety repairs and golf cart storage solution.
- IDIQ 5-year A/E firm contract
- Ravenwood Restroom building
- McCabe playground upgrade/renovations

XII. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE- AMRITA CHATTERJEE

METRO-FUNDED GREENWAY PROJECTS

Opry Mills Connector Greenway

- 2025 Transportation Alternative Program Grant Awarded December 22, 2025, for the construction of the Opry Mills Greenway Connector in the amount of \$11,332,929.00 in federal funding.
- 1 mile section of greenway that will connect the Cumberland River Pedestrian Bridge, Cumberland River Greenway and Stones River Greenway to the Opry Mills campus
- NES, State of Tennessee and NDOT

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

- Project is in the procurement phase. Coordination with procurement staff in ongoing

440 Greenway Sevier Park to Browns Creek Park

- PO associated with new IDIQ contract to complete design phase was issued to consultant
- The new PO will address the remaining permitting requirements, complete the lighting design, update the Construction documents and assist with Bid phase of project

Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway

- Currently reviewing new proposal from consultant associated with the new IDIQ contract.

Whites Creek Greenway at Hartman Park

- 1-mile extension of the Whites Creek Greenway Mullins Park to Hartman Park. New trail will extend from Hartman Park along Tucker Road and across flood buyout property along West Hamilton Avenue to Buena Vista Pike
- Project is in 60% Design Development phase

- On active hold to review the new proposal associated with the new IDIQ contract.

PRIVATELY FUNDED GREENWAY PROJECTS

Richland Creek Greenway- Belle Meade Plaza

- 2 Greenway Conservation Easement Agreements dedicated for this project from the developer and from the adjacent Ingram property.
- Staff has given approval of the Final SP design for the greenway and will continue to work through approval of final construction documents. The developer will construct the greenway from Hwy 70S through the new development along Richland Creek, under White Bridge Road, across the back of the Ingram property and will connect with the existing trailhead at the Old White Bridge.
- This project includes extensive landscaping and riparian zone restoration; greenway maintenance will be provided in perpetuity by the development.
- This is a 3-year development buildout and once accepted by Parks staff, the greenway maintenance will be provided in perpetuity by the development.
- Greenways is coordinating with the project's design team to review construction document progress.

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.
- The final site plan was approved with conditions.
- The project includes a 25-acre land dedication to Metro Parks, greenway design and construction, a greenway conservation easement and greenway connection across the developer's property to the adjacent Metro-owned Park property, waterline extension to

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- The greenway segment from the existing terminus at Morton Mill Road to the existing pedestrian bridge to Harpeth River Park will be completed before the start of building construction.
- Parks has a pending application with the TDOT Excess Land Committee for acquisition of State-owned property currently leased to Metro. The application is in the environmental process.

CRG Ascend Amphitheater

- The greenway bypass/bridge was opened on May 1, 2026.

CRG Modera Nations

- The greenway trail will be constructed within a Conservation Greenway Easement that has been recorded.
- The project includes greenway landscaping, lighting, furniture, adjacent art installations, and perpetual maintenance by the owner.
- The 0.12-mile greenway project is under construction.

CRG at River North Bowline

- Design, construction and maintenance of greenway trail and park by Oracle
- Awaiting easement agreement documentation and ADA compliance approval from Oracle.

CRG at Pennington Mills

- The greenway trail was constructed within a Conservation Greenway Easement that has been recorded.
- Greenways is reviewing the trail and signage prior to acceptance.

CRG The Bend

- The project is located at Pennington Bend Road and McGavock Pike
- The final site plan is in review

CRG at Stockyard 900 1st Avenue North

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

- Paving is reported as complete. Coordination regarding installation of Trailhead signage is ongoing. Greenways will inspect prior to approval

CRG The Bend

- The project is located at Pennington Bend Rd. and McGavock Pike
- The final site plan is in review
- Easement dedication in process

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

- New extension will be part of Harding Town development

Osage Arbor at Broadmoor Trail-oriented Development

- Greenways staff approved of the final Site Plan with conditions.
- The project includes design, construction and maintenance of the greenway by the owner in perpetuity.
- The greenway trail will be in Conservation Greenway Easements.

2nd Phase of Greenway Trailhead Upgrades

- The project is funded by a grant from Greenways for Nashville
- 3D trailheads are included in this phase.
- Work on the Mill Creek Greenway and Richland Creek trailheads is underway.
- The Board approved GFN's request to amend the grant to

GREENWAY EASEMENT AND OPEN SPACE ACQUISITIONS UNDERWAY & NOT PRIVATELY FUNDED PROJECTS

Harpeth River greenway at Newsom Station easement dedication

- In process

PROPERTY TRANSFERS AND LICENSES FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Greene Property at Bass Street Acquisition

- Metro was awarded an American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Land Acquisition grant for the acquisition of land on Bass St. adjacent to Fort Negley.
- The American Battlefield Trust closed on Nov. 1, 2024, Conservation easement

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XIII. JUNE UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS- JACKIE JONES

2. 12TH South Farmers Market- 4:00 p.m. – 7: 00 p.m.- Sevier Park
HUB Youth Cycling - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.- Percy Warner Park
3. HUB Youth Cycling – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.- Percy Warner Park
4. CMA Music Festival- 9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. – Riverfront Park & Walk of Fame Park
Musicians Corner- Spring Series- 5:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.- Centennial Park
HUB Youth Cycling- 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. – Percy Warner Park
Movies in the Park – 4:00 p.m. – 11: 00 p.m. – Elmington Park
5. CMA Music Festival- 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. -Riverfront Park & Walk of Fame Park
Musicians Corner- Spring Series – 5:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m. – Centennial Park
6. CMA Music Festival – 9:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m. – Riverfront Park & Walk of Fame Park
Musicians Corner – Spring Series – 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Centennial Park
Swan Ball – 8:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m. – Edwin Warner Park
Richland Park Farmers Market – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Richland Park
Matters of the Heart Nashville 9K and walk – 7:00 a.m. -9:00 a.m. – Hadley Park Bandshell
Unity Day – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Cedar Hill Park
Free Fishing Day at Shelby Park – 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. – Shelby Park
Summer of Soul’d Festival – 2:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. – Kossie Gardner Park
ADO Family Picnic – 2:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.- Mill Ridge Park
Red Caboose Musica Festival – 11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. – Red Caboose Park
Grow Together 5K- 9:00 a.m.-12: 00 p.m. – Two Rivers Park & Greenway
7. CMA Music Festival – 9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. – Riverfront Park & Walk of Fame Park
Worship in the Park – 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Centennial Bandshell
Sunday Gospel in the Park – 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Kossie Gardner Park
Belly Rubs Basset Rescue Waltz – 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Sevier Park
Karla Robinson Baby Shower- 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. – Percy Warner Park- Hodge House
Bike Fun All Ages Learn to Ride- 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.- Cornelia Fort Airpark
8. Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Champ- 8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.- Cane Ridge Park

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9. 12th South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park
Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
Delilah Counseling Yoga in the Park Wellness Event, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Richland Park
10. Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
11. Hott Rodd's Doggie Vacay Summer Youth Program, 10:45 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Southeast Park
Movies in the Park, 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Elmington Park
Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
12. Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
Musicians Corner - Spring Series, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park
McHenry BBQ, 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Richland Park
Jesus Rally, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Public Square Park
13. Musicians Corner - Spring Series, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park
Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Richland Park
Fifth Third TN Market Appreciation Picnic, 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Shelby Park
FNP: Fossil Finders, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Fort Negley Park
L & O Wedding, 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Fannie Mae Dees Park
Retrieving Independence 5K, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park
2026 Big Band Dance, 7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m., Centennial Park
Jazz & Blues Festival, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m., Edwin Warner Park
Makers Market, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Riverfront Park
Spring into Action, 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Hadley Park Bandshell
Walk with Us, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Centennial Park Bandshell
Nashville Yacht Club Summer, 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Wasioto Park
14. Musicians Corner - Spring Series, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park
615 Day Weekend Block Party, 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Hadley Park Bandshell
Check Out Nashville - Yoga Class Pop U, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Richland Park
Nashville Soccer Club, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Walk of Fame Park

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- The Exchange Running Collective, 10K Race, 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Rose Park Track
- 15.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
- 16.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
- 12th South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park
- FNP: Nashville Civil War Roundtable, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Fort Negley Park
- 17.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
- 18.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
- Movies in the Park, 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Elmington Park
- 19.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
- Juneteenth 2026, 4:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Centennial Park
- Nashville SC FIFA World Cup Watch Party Event - USA vs. Australia Match, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Centennial Park
- Juneteenth Run, 6:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., Cornelia Fort Airpark & Greenway
- Nation of Christ Fellowship, , 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Watkins Park
- Cherry Coatings Field Employees and Potluck, 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Seven Oaks Park
- 20.** Unity in the Community Event, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park
- Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Richland Park
- Cornelia Fort Airpark Concert, 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Cornelia Fort Airpark
- Taryn Dunigan Wedding, 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park
- Community Arts Day, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Two Rivers Park
- 2026 Big Band Dance, 7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m., Centennial Park
- Church Fun Day, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Centennial Park Bandshell
- 21.** International Day of Yoga, 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Centennial Park
- Jazz on the Cumberland, 2:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Wasioto Park
- Love Yourself Community Walk / Run, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Hadley Park Bandshell
- Hello Summer First Day of Summer Celebration, 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Shelby Park
- 22.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park

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- 23.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
AAOC End of Year Celebration, 1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Hadley Park
12th South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park
- 24.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
- 25.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
Movies in the Park, 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Elmington Park
- 26.** Leadership Academy Mountain Bike Camp, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Cane Ridge Park
FOWP Full Moon Pickin Party, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park
Friends of Mill Ridge Outside Cinema, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park
- 27.** Richland Park Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Richland Park
Water Lantern Festival, 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Centennial Park
Nashville Stepping Out to Cure Scleroderma Walk, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., West Park
How to Eat and Live, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Hadley Park Bandshell
CRNA Summer Sizzler 5K, 7:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., Charlotte Park
2026 Big Band Dance, 7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m., Centennial Park
Voter Registration Drive, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., East Park
- 28.** CPF Welcome Resident Picnic, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Sevier Park
GOP Nashville Summer Picnic, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Centennial Park Bandshell
- 30.** 12th South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park
HUB Youth Cycling, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park

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XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

- Director Odom reported on the FY27 Metro Council budget hearing and thanked Board members for their support of Metro Parks' priorities and initiatives.
- The Mayor's Proposed Budget includes funding for golf clubhouse staffing, movement and dance programs, additional security resources, contractual cost increases, and reimbursement obligations.
- Staff continue to evaluate implementation of the mandated 1.5% departmental budget reduction while working to minimize impacts on services, programs and operations
- The FY27 budget remains under consideration by Metro Council and is expected to be finalized before the start of the new fiscal year on July 1, 2026.
- The Board was informed that department staff participated in interviews with the Winter Storm Commission regarding the January storm response and recovery efforts, providing information on park system impacts, recovery coordination, and restoration of facilities and services.
- Director Odom introduced Francois de Kock as the new Assistant Director of Greenways and Open Space. Mr. de Kock will oversee greenway expansion, open space preservation, and implementation of strategic initiatives.
- Concluded by noting that staff remain focused on delivering high-quality services during the busy summer season while continuing planning, maintenance, and capital improvement efforts throughout the park system.

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

Board Member Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes announced that this would be her final meeting working on the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation.

Ms. Scott-Barnes reflected on her eight years of service, noting that serving on the Board has been both rewarding and educational. She expressed appreciation for the Board's role in providing oversight, supporting the department's operations and financial health, and helping guide its strategic vision.

Ms. Scott-Barnes thanked fellow Board members, staff, and department leadership for their partnership throughout her tenure and stated that it had been an honor to serve the residents of Nashville in this capacity. Ms. Scott-Barnes noted that, although she will no longer serve on the Board, she plans to remain engaged and supportive of Metro Parks and Recreation and looks forward to following the implementation of the 2026 Plan to Play and the department's future initiatives.

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

Monique Horton Odom, Director

Mr. Shan Foster, Chairperson

