

# PARKS & TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM Sandy City Hall and via Zoom

**AGENDA** 

#### VIRTUAL ONLY

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**ROLL CALL** 

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** 

**PUBLIC COMMENT** 

The Board chair will call on you when it is your turn to speak. You will have 3 minutes.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2. This will be an overview of the Council Goals for the Parks & Recreation Department.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

STAFF UPDATES

**ADJOURN** 

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**MINUTES** 

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#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT
Ryan Aultman
David Breames
Don Robertson
Upekala Wijayratne

Laurie Smallwood (Council Liaison)

ABSENT Alexandria Gale Kimberly Seigal Will Toogood

Staff present:

Rochelle Anderholm-Parsch

Tiana Rundell

Chelsea Jarvis

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Motion to approve the minutes.

Motion made by Breames, Seconded by Aultman. Voting Yea: Aultman, Breames, Robertson, Wijayratne

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2. An overview of the Parks & Recreation Budget

Rochelle presents a slideshow.

One question is asked about the Parks Board helping with goal setting. This will be an Agenda item in December.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **STAFF UPDATES**

Rochelle's Updates:

Cedar Park opened. A special thank you to the Parks and Trails Advisory Board for their help and part in it.

The Merry Makeover challenge is happening again in downtown.

Mountain Storm basketball is full storm ahead.

#### Tiana's Updates:

Winterfest is all hands on deck. The lights will go on early this year. We have a few new pieces this year.

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## STAFF REPORT

Meeting Type: Parks and Trails Advisory Board

Meeting Date: December 11, 2024

From: Rochelle Anderholm-Parsch, Parks and Recreation Director

Subject: FY 2023-2025 Parks and Recreation Achievements and FY 2025-2027 Goals

#### **DECISION TO BE MADE:**

Provide feedback and direction on the Parks and Recreation Department's proposed goals for FY 2025-2027 and acknowledge achievements under the FY 2023-2025 Council goals.

#### **PURPOSE / OBJECTIVE:**

To review the Parks and Recreation Department's accomplishments in alignment with the FY 2023-2025 Council goal: "Invest in our park system for current and future residents of Sandy and continue expansion of recreational opportunities for the community." Additionally, present proposed goals for FY 2025-2027 to continue advancing the department's mission and vision..

#### **BACKGROUND / CONTEXT:**

The Parks and Recreation Department has successfully completed several objectives from the FY 2023-2025 Council goals, while others remain in progress. These achievements and ongoing efforts set the foundation for proposed goals in the next biennium (2025-2027), emphasizing community engagement, sustainable development, and operational efficiency.

#### FY 2023-2025 Achievements

- 1. Community Campus Park Improvements Completed.
- 2. **Deer Pointe Park Improvements** In progress.
- 3. **Research for Park Land Acquisition** In the research phase.
- 4. **New Facility Use Agreement with Oregon Trail School District** Currently strategizing with Administration and Council.
- 5. Aquatic Opportunities Completed; swim lessons and water safety programs reinstated.
- 6. **Volunteer Program** Reestablished and expanded.

#### **KEY CONSIDERATIONS / ANALYSIS:**

#### Proposed FY 2025-2027 Goals

#### 1. Deer Pointe Park Construction

 Complete construction efforts to enhance community accessibility to this neighborhood park. • Alignment: Supports the mission by developing safe, clean, and accessible parks.

#### 2. Meinig Park Renovation

- o Continue public engagement and secure funding for construction in 2025-2027.
- **Alignment:** Promotes inclusivity and community engagement, advancing our leadership in park planning.

#### 3. Staffing to Support Parks Growth

- Hire an additional parks maintenance staff member to support increased park acreage and event demands.
- o Alignment: Ensures quality and safety of parks, meeting community needs.

#### 4. Facility Maintenance Plan Development

- Create a comprehensive plan and advocate for funding for ongoing care.
- Alignment: Promotes sustainable and high-quality facility management.

#### 5. School District IGA for Shared Use

- o Finalize the agreement to maximize facility use for the community.
- Alignment: Expands inclusive recreational opportunities.

#### 6. Aquatic Opportunities

- Maintain and expand programs, exploring partnerships and funding.
- Alignment: Supports inclusive recreational programs and community enrichment.

#### 7. Tickle Creek Restoration and Planning

- Secure funding for environmental restoration and explore alternative resources if needed.
- Alignment: Upholds environmental stewardship and community engagement.

#### 8. Future Park and Natural Space Acquisitions

- Continue researching properties to meet growing recreational needs.
- Alignment: Ensures accessible and inclusive parks for a growing community.

#### 9. WinterFest Expansion

- Assess resource needs to support event growth while maintaining park services.
- o **Alignment:** Fosters community belonging and festive, inclusive spaces.

#### 10. Trail Construction and Enhancements

- Prioritize trails at Sandy River Park and explore renovating the Sandy Ridge Marcy Trailhead.
- o Alignment: Encourages engagement with nature and diverse recreational services.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

The proposed goals for FY 2025-2027 will require additional funding for staffing, park development, trail enhancements, and WinterFest resources. Funding will be sought through grants, partnerships, and budget allocations, and system development charges.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Parks and Trails Advisory Board acknowledge the achievements from FY 2023-2025 and provide input and recommend to council the proposed goals for FY 2025-2027 to guide the department's strategic direction.

#### SUGGESTED MOTION LANGUAGE:

"I move to acknowledge the Parks and Recreation Department's FY 2023-2025 achievements and approve the proposed FY 2025-2027 goals as presented."

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### **LIST OF ATTACHMENTS / EXHIBITS:**

1. Summary of 2023-2025 Council Goals / Park & Recreation Achievements and Draft 2025-2027 Department Goals.



#### FY 2023-2025 Council Goals / Parks and Recreation Achievements

Council Goal: Invest in our park system for current and future residents of Sandy and continue expansion of recreational opportunities for the community.

| GOAL  | NOTES  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Design and construct the Community Campus Park improvements.  | Completed  |  |
| Complete design and construct park improvements at Deer Point Park.   | In-Progress  |  |
| Research and act on the purchase of park land for future park facilities and/or natural area and open space preservation. | In research phase                                      |  |
| Work with the Oregon Trail School District for developing a new facility use agreement.                                   | Currently Strategizing with Administration and Council |  |
| Explore ways to connect Sandy residents with aquatic opportunities, including swim lessons and water safety programs.     | Completed  |  |
| Reestablish a volunteer program and expand volunteer opportunities.   | Completed  |  |

## **Draft Parks and Recreation Department Goals for 2025-2027**

**Mission:** The City of Sandy's Parks and Recreation team will help engage and strengthen community belonging by developing and maintaining safe, clean, and accessible parks as well as providing inclusive and diverse programs and services.

**Vision:** We aim to advance Sandy's parks, programs, services, and policies while striving to be a leader in the field of Parks and Recreation and a pillar to the community of Sandy.

The following proposed goals for 2025-2027 reflect our commitment to our department's mission and vision.



#### 1. Deer Pointe Park Construction - In Progress and rollover from 2023-2025

- Complete the ongoing construction efforts to bring Deer Pointe Park to fruition, enhancing recreational space and community accessibility for this long awaited neighborhood park.
- Alignment: This project directly supports our mission by developing safe, clean, and accessible parks that foster a sense of community belonging.

#### 2. Meinig Park Renovation - In Progress and rollover from 2023-2025

- Continue the design and public engagement phase for the Meinig Park renovation.
- Secure construction funding for the 2025-2027 budget to begin implementing renovations based on community feedback and design plans.
- Apply for the LGGP grant through OPRD.
- Alignment: Engaging the community in Meinig Park's redesign aligns with our mission to maintain safe and accessible parks, and our vision to strengthen community belonging and advance our role as a pillar in Sandy through responsive park planning.

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## 2025-2027 Draft Goals Review

Parks and Trails Advisory Board Meeting
December 11, 2024

## AGENDA: Death by Powerpoint

Review Mission and Vision & Accomplishments

**Review Draft Goals** 

**Discuss & Prioritize Goals** 



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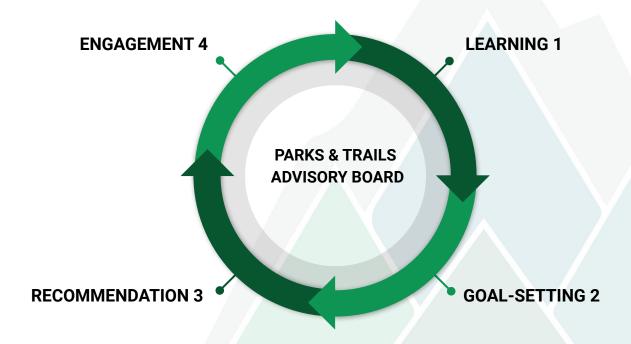


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| Goal                                | Allocate<br>Funds<br>FY 23'-25' | Funding Needs<br>FY '25-'27                     | Funding Source        | Dept. Priority<br>P1, P2, P3 | PTAB Priority P1, P2,  Item # 2. |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Deer Pointe Construction            | \$1.5M                          | Roll over from '23-'25                          | SDC's                 | P1                           |                                  |
| Meinig Park Renovation              | \$200,000                       | Phase 1 Estimate<br>\$2.0M-\$4.0M               | SDC's/LGGP Grant      | P1                           |                                  |
| OTSD School IGA                     | \$0                             | \$0   | partnership           | P3                           |                                  |
| AQ Programs                         | \$15,000                        | \$15,000  | GF/Trustee Acct.      | P3                           |                                  |
| Winterfest Expansion                | \$100,000                       | \$75,000 GF<br>\$25,000 Fundraising             | GF/Fundraising        | P3                           |                                  |
| 1 FTE Parks Maint.                  | \$0                             | \$75,000 (include benefits)                     | GF                    | P1                           |                                  |
| 1 FTE Facilities Lead               | \$0                             | \$93,000 (include benefits)                     | GF                    | P1                           |                                  |
| Tickle Creek Planning & Restoration | \$0                             | \$490,691.76 (submitted<br>Grant Request / ODF) | Grant                 | P2                           |                                  |
| Future Park Land Acq.               | \$1.5M                          | \$1.5M  | FIL Fund              | P2                           | 20                               |
| Trail Const. / Enhancements         | \$68,000                        | \$100,000 estimate                              | Grants/GF/partnership | P3                           | 20                               |

Are the proposed goals and priorities as suggested by staff for 2025-2027 aligned with the department's mission and community needs? If not, what adjustments should we make?

What budgetary priorities should the board focus on, and are there specific projects or programs that require additional funding or advocacy?

How should we prioritize carry-over goals versus new initiatives to ensure alignment with available resources and community impact?

Is the board willing to recommend these priorities to the council and advocate for funding or resources not yet dedicated?

How can the board better support the department in engaging the community and communicating these goals to stakeholders?



## **Documents Driving the Department's Budget Goals**

- Parks and Trails Master Plan (LINK)
- City-Wide Comprehensive Plan (LINK)
- Financial Sustainability Policy (LINK) \*directly related to operations and budget philosophy
- Adopted Budget (which include funds allocated and CIP Plan)
   (LINK)

