



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM

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OVERVIEW

As part of the 2025 Parks and Recreation budget, a Master Parks Plan was included for development. A Request for Proposals (RFP) was distributed, and Widseth was selected as the firm to complete the Master Parks Plan.

Throughout late 2025 and early 2026, the Committee, City staff, and Widseth met on multiple occasions to review proposed elements, concept alternatives, and overall feasibility. Staff also coordinated with the Public Works Department to review and provide input regarding maintenance requirements associated with various park features.

Jillian from Widseth will be present to review the Master Parks Plan, which can also be found in the attached materials.

NEXT STEPS

Tonight, staff is seeking feedback from the Council. The intent of the Master Parks Plan is to establish a comprehensive vision for the City's parks system over the next 5–15 years. The official plan also allows the Committee to have more success in seeking grant opportunities. Implementation of the plan will largely be driven by available funding through the City budget and future grant opportunities.

The Committee and staff anticipate implementing the plan in phases and providing opportunities for public input throughout those phases as project costs, details, and timelines are further refined. The goal for tonight is simply to present the Council with the final Master Parks Plan, after which staff will work with the Committee and Council to develop a strategy for phased implementation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff and Committee members recommend that the Council review the proposed Master Parks Plan and provide feedback regarding the overall vision, priorities, and proposed improvements. Following Council discussion, staff will continue working with the Committee to develop implementation priorities, funding strategies, and phased project recommendations for future consideration.