



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

AGENDA SECTION	OLD BUSINESS
MEETING DATE	JULY 22, 2026

ITEM:	Parks and Recreation System Plan Update		
Presenting Item: John W. Stutzman, Parks and Recreation Director			
DEPARTMENT: Park and Recreation		BY/DATE: John W. Stutzman/ July 15, 2026	
CORE CITY STRATEGIES: <i>(please indicate areas that apply by adding an "X" in front of the selected text below)</i>			
☒ Community that Grows with Purpose and Equity		☒ Engaged, Effective and Forward-Thinking	
☒ High Quality Public Spaces		☐ Resilient and Prosperous Economy	
☐ Safe, Accessible and Built for Everyone		☒ Inclusive and Connected Community	

MEND Collaborative continues to make progress on the Parks and Recreation System Plan. At the Commission's June meeting, MEND staff provided an overview of the project, discussed current planning activities, and presented the draft Case for Action, which serves as the introductory chapter of the plan and establishes the need, purpose, and vision for the planning process.

Since the June meeting, MEND Collaborative has continued refining the draft Case for Action. Staff is currently completing a final review of the document before it is incorporated into the draft Parks and Recreation System Plan and shared publicly in August. A copy of the current draft is included in the agenda packet to keep the Commission informed of the project's progress.

As the project moves into the next phase of community engagement, staff is seeking Commissioner volunteers to assist with outreach during Music in the Park on Wednesday, August 5. The Parks and Recreation Department will host a Parks and Recreation System Plan engagement booth to gather community input. The featured performance by Los Rebeldes is expected to attract a broad audience, including many Hispanic residents, providing an opportunity to engage community members who may be underrepresented through traditional public engagement efforts.

Staff is seeking one to two Commissioners for each of the following volunteer shifts:

- 6:15–7:15 p.m.
- 7:15–8:15 p.m.

All engagement materials will be provided, and staff will be at the event to assist volunteers.

Requested Action/ Discussion Topics / Key Questions
No action needed. For review and discussion only.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Case for Action DRAFT