



Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Joint Public Spaces & Recreation Committee

Meeting Date: June 8, 2026

Item Title: Discussion regarding the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan

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Detailed Description of Subject Matter:

The Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) is a planning document that assesses community-specific outdoor recreational needs and establishes goals and recommendations for the City's parks system. DNR Stewardship Grants require cities to have a CORP that has been adopted/updated within 5 years of the application date. The City of Columbus last updated its CORP in 2021, so an updated plan is needed to remain eligible for grants.

Plans typically incorporate community feedback to assess demand and need for developments in the park system. To gather public input, staff plans to administer a survey to the public and hold 1 or 2 public meetings. Committee members will have the opportunity today to discuss the following:

- Goals for Public Engagement
- Public Forum/Focus Group Design
- Survey Design Elements
- Potential Survey Question Topics

List all Supporting Documentation Attached:

2021 Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan

Action Requested of Committee:

Provide feedback on proposed next steps and public engagement process