

MEMO

PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

To: Plan Commission

From: Adrienne Nelson, Associate Planner

Date: July 7, 2025

Re: Park Donation Application Review – Benches

A park bench donation application has been submitted by Gail and Jeff Gustman for two benches, to be installed at Riverside Park and Horseshoe Valley Park, in memory of Tom and Suzy Gustman and Elwyn and Margaret Schroeder. These benches would be in the City of Kaukauna's standard bench style and would include plaques, which would read as follows:

"In loving memory of: Tom + Suzy Gustman"

"In loving memory of: Elwyn + Margaret Schroeder"

The donors have requested that the benches overlook the baseball fields at both parks. At Riverside Park, there are currently four benches along the sidewalk that overlook the baseball field, but there is room for more. An aerial showing the general proposed area as well as a photo taken from a potential location are included below.





Horseshoe Vally Park has ample space in the area overlooking the baseball field, as shown in the aerial and the photo below. There are no benches located along the large curve of sidewalk around the baseball field.





If approved, these benches would be installed summer of 2026.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommend approval of the park bench donations for Gail and Jeff Gustman in memory of Tom and Suzy Gustman and Elwyn and Margaret Schroeder. Staff will work with the donor to finalize the location of the bench.

