



## PARKS DEPARTMENT

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### **Dickinson Park Informational Meeting Notes**

6:30 PM. October 7, 2021

City Annex

**1. Welcome and Introduction**

Mayor Scott Korthuis served as the Moderator, welcoming approximately 68 Community Members.

**2. Exhibits on Display**

- a. Conceptual Trail Map of the Jim Kaemingk Sr. Trail tying into Dickinson Park
- b. Map of the Forest Conservation Area of Dickinson Park

**3. INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- a. Dickinson Park Purchased 2019
- b. Dickinson Park Acreage – 8.9acres
- c. Park Hours Dawn- Dusk
- d. Park Access off Fishtrap Way.
- e. Trail- \$1.8million dedicated from the 2019 Rec. District Bond for the trail development.
- f. Footbridges- 2 footbridges proposed with a possible 3<sup>rd</sup>. to existing portion of the Kaemingk Trail.
- g. Dept. Ecology Grant-Helped pay for the park, hence the Forest Conservation Area
- h. House- First few years rented by a City Employee
- i. Trees being tagged for inventory

**4. Community Comments**

- a. Protect the Wildlife
- b. House turned into a Conservation Interpretive Center
- c. Camera's
- d. Policed
- e. Plant additional trees along trail that is on the southside of the creek.
- f. ADA access
- g. Want Parking Area IN Park
- h. Park users Parking at NCTK
- i. Picnic and play area and creek access
- j. Leave as a walk-in passive park

**5. Concerns From Neighbors**

- a. Don't want through traffic Double Ditch Rd. – Fishtrap Way
- b. Don't want Parking Lot
- c. Concerns of unwanted Crime, Trash, Vandalism
- d. Concerns of Disrupting the wildlife
- e. Concerns of Removing of trees
- f. Don't want trail lights or park lights
- g. Don't want on park users parking on streets in front of neighbor's residence.

**Mayor Korthuis closed the discussion at 7:30pm**

**Thanking everyone in attendance and invited the Community to mingle and ask additional questions review the map exhibits. The Map Exhibit will be posted on the City Websites and available at City Hall.**