

Draft Park Board Work Plan - Medina

1. Dogs in Medina Park –
 - Dog owners not controlling dogs, breaking rules, causing damage.
 - Action – Park Board to work with City Staff to review and develop a policy for off-leash and on-leash areas.
 - Action - Have public works work with the police department on identifying high violation times for enforcement activity.
 - Periodically post an educational sandwich board sign to call 911 to report dangerous or irresponsible dog owners so the police can respond.
 - Action – Have the PD send out notice to residents to call 911 when they see violations for police to respond. Notices sent in April and October.
 - Action – Have City to send out reminders about dog responsibilities twice a year in January and July.

2. Trash in Medina Park
 - Weekend parties – can identify issues because of types of trash left behind.
 - Public Works crew comes in especially over summer weekends to remove trash.
 - Action - Work with public works to prepare a plan to identify high violation times.
 - Action – add additional trash cans during high-use seasons.

3. Medina Park 12th Street parking lot used as a turn-around and overflow parking.
 - More of a problem during seasons when the park is heavily used.
 - That parking lot is used by small children for accessing the playground and is near the playground.
 - Limits comings & goings of park users
 - Action – Request Council to have staff investigate adding signs adding “NO EVENT/SCHOOL PARKING OR SCHOOL TURN AROUND” signs at entrance to parking lot.
 - Action – create a stakeholder group to address this issue. Include discussing the above “NO EVENT/SCHOOL PARKING OR SCHOOL TURN AROUND” option.

4. E-bikes are continuing to be used in Medina Park.
 - Action – have Public Works work with the Police Department on identifying high violation times for enforcement activity.
 - Action – Encourage residents to call 911 when they see violations for police to respond.
 - Periodically post an educational sandwich board sign to call 911 to report E-bike violators so the police can respond.
 - Action – have the City send out reminders about E-bike restrictions in parks in March and June.

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5. Businesses and organizations using parks–
 - General frequency is an issue but especially events like walk-a-thons, day camps use during the summer.
 - Group makes it hard for individual or small group visitors to enjoy park at same time (esp. in playground area & tennis courts)
 - Use of tennis courts for purposes other than tennis (not allowed by park rules)
 - People park on (or drive on) grass and cause ruts, even when there is open parking available farther up 12th.
 - **Action – request opinion from city attorney about public park use and restrictions.**
 - **Action - request Council to add to Council Workplan to update the Special Use Permit process to remove exemptions for fees on nonprofit organizations. MMC 9.40.050 – “All applications shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee as set forth in the city fee schedule. Special event permit fees shall not be imposed when all of the following conditions are met: A. The activities are conducted by a nonprofit organization.”**
6. Add FAQ or park rules that pertain to all parks to the City website.
 - **Action - work with City staff to create FAQ for website.**
7. Park Memorials Policy
 - **Action - Work with city staff to prepare a policy to govern memorials in Medina Park (who can request, is there a limit on how many we want in park, how long staff will be expected to maintain plaques, etc.).**
8. Post Office Pocket Park
 - **Action - Have staff prepare options for a “pocket park” on land used by United States Post Office.**
 - **Action – have Council approve staff to investigate the following issues before bringing back to the Park Board.**
 - i. **Issues to review:**
 1. **Lease agreement for land**
 2. **Zoning change**
 3. **Post Office parking for park**
 4. **Market analysis for changing land**
 5. **Restrictions in selling property in changing property zoning**
9. Park Ambassador –
 - **Action – have staff research option for park ambassador program.**
 - i. **Paid – public works seasonal help**
 - ii. **Volunteers**
 - iii. **Collective Bargaining Agreement concerns**
 - iv. **Updated job description**

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- v. Work with insurance carrier to ensure all liability issues are handled.