

Recreation Advisory Board

Agenda

**Monday, April 24
Recreation Center
900 West Via Appia
6:30 PM**

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda
6. Staff Updates
 - Director Update-Adam Blackmore
7. Board Updates
 - Outdoor Rec Amenities

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City Council Feedback:

What do you consider to be the purpose and role of your body? Do you have suggestions on changing that role in the future?

- What have been your greatest successes? What about your greatest failures?
- How is your process to develop your annual work plan? How does it align with Council's work plan?
- If Council will be considering changes, what changes would you recommend?
- Do you feel that your body has been effective or ineffective? Why?
- City Council has an informal policy of managing meeting time and canceling or reducing meeting times when agendas are light. What are the practices of your body in regards to agenda development, meeting duration, and meeting tempo?

8. Discussion of items for next meeting

9. Adjourn

Recreation Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

**March 27, 2023
Recreation Center
900 West Via Appia
6:30 PM**

Call to Order – Chairperson Norgard called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Roll Call was taken and the following members were present:

Board Members Present: Dick Friedson, Angie Layton, Gene Kutscher, Lisa Norgard, Mary O'Brien, Michele Van Pelt

Board Members Absent: none

Staff Members Present: David Baril, Ginger Cross, Kathy Martin, Paul Borth

City Council Member Present: Deb Fahey

Public Members Present:

Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved by all members.

Motion: Mary O'Brien

Second: Michele Van Pelt

Approval of Meeting Minutes – The minutes from the February 27 meeting were approved as written.

Motion: Lisa Norgard

Second: Michele Van Pelt

Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda – None

Staff Updates

Memory Square Programming Update

Paul Borth presented information about the aquatics program. Louisville has implemented a pay increase for the lifeguards, and there are currently 18

people taking a class to qualify them as lifeguards. Full-time supervisors have had to cover some lifeguard shifts, but more applicants will be coming online soon. RAB members expressed appreciation for the pool staff and their success in keeping the pools open.

Memory Square will open on May 15 for the Dolphins Swim Team to start practices. The regular opening for the pool will be May 26, after the end of the school year. There will be special Youth Splash Nights for students in designated grades, both at the beginning and end of the summer.

The pool schedule will be very similar to the previous year. Swim lessons will be scheduled at the Rec Center, but mini private lessons will be held at Memory Square. The pool is available for rentals.

Paul presented temperature guidelines that clarify when the pool will close. In general, the pool will close when the temperature forecast is below 65°, although this will not always affect lap swimming. Patrons can sign up for text alerts that tell when the pool is closed due to weather.

Kathy Martin added that the boiler will be replaced before opening. A new filter was installed last year.

Marketing Plan Update

Ginger Cross, the Marketing Specialist for Parks, Recreation and Open Space, showed the calendar that she maintains to keep track of everything. She provides information to the public in print, online and in emails.

Ginger has been encouraging additional auto-renewal memberships at the Rec Center. The summer catalog information comes out soon, and the information is also available in Spanish. Ginger sends monthly emails to the golf community to promote season passes and the many available programs. For National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) month in July, a Flat Stanley-type project will showcase Parks and Recreation jobs, programs, and amenities. In addition, Ginger has highlighted Louisville Senior Center programming in Prime Time and 50 Plus Marketplace.

Q4 Dashboards

David Baril reported that Coal Creek Golf Course exceeded budget expectations, even with fewer playable days and rounds.

- Fall is typically one of the best times for the golf course, thanks to predictable weather.
- The golf course has been absorbing additional costs due to Marshall Fire remediation and repairs, with hopes that insurance, the State of Colorado, and/or FEMA may provide additional funds.

- The price to play is in the middle range of golf courses in Colorado.
- The Golf Course did not receive money from the Grill, in violation of the contract with the Grill. The restaurant management is paying interest on the past due amounts. The contract was extended for a year, but David is considering options for the future.
- David has hired a new Second Assistant. He is looking for another Associate Golf Professional.
- Top Tracer will be coming to the Golf Course as soon as permits for the towers are granted. Golfers will pay by the day to use the system. David anticipates that this popular system will return enough money to pay for the installation.
- The Golf Course is continuing to work on Audubon accreditation. Ginger will send out information about its progress.

Kathy Martin reported that the Rec Center Dashboard compares 2022 to 2019, the year before the pandemic.

- There were fewer visits in 2022 than in 2019, but attendance was improving.
- The Rec Center succeeded in keeping expenses down.
- The Marshall Fire forced the closure of the Rec Center for 10 days, and approximately 50% of fire-impacted families have not come back.
- 2023 numbers are looking good.

Non-Resident Family Admission Rate Change Proposal

Kathy proposed a new definition and rate change for the Non-Resident Family Drop-In to the Rec Center. A family would be comprised of two adults and three children, or up to five people. The proposed rate is \$39.00.

Motion: The Rec Advisory Board approves the new verbiage as presented and the proposed rate increase.

Motion: Lisa Norgard

Second: Angie Layton

The motion passed unanimously.

Deb Fahey reported that the City Council began discussion about boards and commissions. Council members would like to combine some boards, clarify the responsibilities of each board, and determine how the boards can better communicate with Council. Council members are also examining the process for recruiting and selecting board members.

Board Updates

Outdoor Rec Amenities

Board members would like clarification about the possibility of repairing the tennis/pickleball court at Mission Green. Gene reported that the east court at Centennial Park is potentially dangerous, because the cracks in the surface have widened substantially.

The Outdoor Rec Subcommittee is on hold. The Parks and Public Landscaping Board (PPLAB) has not yet replaced an outgoing subcommittee member. In addition, subcommittee members need to know how their ideas can move forward within the Master Plan process.

Michele reported that pickleball nets on wheels are much easier to manage than the current pickleball nets.

Board members expressed frustration about the difficulty of both repairing current facilities and making progress toward creating new facilities.

Deb Fahey reported that the City is in an uncertain financial position after making repairs related to the Marshall Fire. Nobody knows what the State will pay, what insurance will pay, or what FEMA will pay.

Work Plan

Lisa presented the RAB Work Plan. This will provide a framework for the Board, although it can be modified as needed.

Motion: The Rec Advisory Board approves the Work Plan as written.

Motion: Lisa Norgard

Second: Gene Kutscher

The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items for Next Meeting

Staff Updates

Parks and Rec Director Update

Outdoor Rec Update

Board Updates

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 7:57.

Motion: Lisa Norgard

Second: Mary O'Brien