

**ROSEVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES FOR
JUNE 2, 2026 6:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Beckman, Botzek, Boulton, Harris, Her, Huntley, Matts-Benson, Kooistra, Penny.
ABSENT: Donaldson.
STAFF: Johnson, Anderson

1. ROLL CALL

Roll Call Commissioners: Beckman, Botzek, Boulton, Harris, Her, Huntley, Matts-Benson, Kooistra.

Chair Beckman noted that Commissioner Penny would be joining the Commission at the park for the scheduled tour.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Botzek moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Matts-Benson seconded.

Roll Call

Ayes: Beckman, Botzek, Boulton, Harris, Her, Huntley, Matts-Benson, Kooistra.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

3. RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment – C. Warzecha:

C. Warzecha, a resident and former Parks and Recreation Commissioner, shared concerns regarding illegal dumping occurring in dumpsters located within Central Park. It was noted that frequent walks through the park have revealed repeated instances of overflowing dumpsters and unauthorized disposal of waste. C. Warzecha stated that information and photographs documenting the issue had been shared with Parks Superintendent Jim Taylor and expressed concern regarding the visual impact, costs associated with disposal, and the use of taxpayer resources to address illegally dumped materials. C. Warzecha encouraged the Commission to continue discussing the issue and pursue potential solutions. Photographs of the full dumpsters were provided to the Commission. It was also noted that the dumpsters have since been removed, though it was unclear whether they would return in the future.

Staff Response:

Staff confirmed that significant efforts have been undertaken in recent weeks to address the issue. Staff explained that the dumpsters are intended to support maintenance operations throughout the park system and are not intended for public use within the park. The dumpsters are currently located in the parks due to limited capacity at City Hall, though additional capacity is anticipated with the future Maintenance and Operations Center.

To address illegal dumping, staff have deployed trail cameras near the dumpsters and have provided license plate information obtained through those efforts to the Police Department. Staff are also testing relocation of the dumpsters to the City Hall campus rather than park locations.

Staff acknowledged the shared frustration regarding the issue, noting that illegal dumping is unsightly, costly, and impacts operations. The dumpsters are intended to support maintenance operations throughout the City's approximately 680 acres of parkland and the collection of waste from roughly 200 trash receptacles located throughout the park system.

Staff noted that previous attempts to secure the dumpsters with locks resulted in trash being left alongside the containers, leading to discontinuation of that approach.

As an interim measure, staff are evaluating the alternative dumpster locations. Longer-term considerations include reviewing overall trash collection methods and potentially pursuing more efficient and environmentally sustainable collection options, such as a dedicated trash collection vehicle.

Staff noted that the issue can remain on future agendas to keep the Commission informed of ongoing efforts and progress.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Matts-Benson moved to approve the May 5, 2026 meeting minutes.
Commissioner Boulton seconded.

Roll Call

Ayes: Beckman, Botzek, Boulton, Harris, Her, Huntley, Matts-Benson, Kooistra.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

a) DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

Staff provided the following departmental updates:

- The Roseville School of Dance recital was held at Roseville Area High School on May 2 and May 3. Staff noted that feedback received from parents was overwhelmingly positive.
- The Roseville Skate School Ice Show took place April 16–18, 2026, with more than 300 skaters participating.
- Staff provided special recognition to Roseville Skating Center staff for creating a new Introduction to Competitive Skating program. Approximately 30 youth participated in the inaugural program. Staff noted that participant feedback was very positive and that the program serves as a valuable introduction to a lifelong sport.
- The Citywide Garage Sale event took place May 28–30, with approximately 100 households participating.
- The annual volunteer planting of the iconic Lexington Boulevard flower beds at Central Park took place on May 30 with more than 100 volunteers participating. Staff expressed special thanks to Friends of Roseville Parks for funding the purchase of the flowers.
- The Autumn Grove Park community engagement meeting regarding the playground replacement and overall park concept plan was held on May 13. Staff noted that the preferred concept includes relocating the playground closer to the park building and adding pathway connections. Because project costs exceed the approved budget, a proposal will be presented to the City Council on June 15. Staff noted that the majority of proposed improvements are focused on the north side of the park. Community members also provided valuable ideas for the south parcel that will be considered during future master planning discussions.
- Rosefest events are scheduled for June 22–28, with the Rose Parade taking place on June 22 and Party in the Park and Fireworks scheduled for June 27.
 - New Rosefest events for 2026 include a Grass Volleyball Tournament, Skateboard Competition, Junior Golf Tournament, and Planting for Pollinators volunteer event.
- The stakeholder group for the Maintenance and Operations Center project is scheduled to potentially hold its final meeting on June 3 to discuss final project plans.
- Staff reported that the Aldine Right-of-Way Feasibility Study has been completed and is scheduled for City Council review on June 8. Staff noted that the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation was included in the report. Two options were identified by the consultant:
 - A winding crushed aggregate pathway with a surface treatment, estimated at approximately \$78,000, which would require removal of a significant number of trees.
 - A crushed aggregate pathway with sections of boardwalk, estimated at approximately \$120,000, which would also have tree impacts.

Staff noted that specific tree impacts are detailed within the report. At the June 8 City Council meeting, the Council will first receive the study presentation from the consultant and then consider action regarding vacation of the easement.

i. 2026 DISCOVER YOUR PARKS SIGN UP

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

a) PARK TOUR SCHEDULE

ii. ACORN PARK (286 CO. RD. C W.) - 6:45PM (APPROXIMATE TIME)

The Commission reviewed Acorn Park. They discussed the aging park building, and opportunities for long term planning on the site. Specific sites included the disk golf course, the park building, the rink area, the ballfields and the playground.

iii. CENTRAL PARK OFF OF VICTORIA - LAKE SIDE (2495 VICTORIA ST N.) - 7:05PM (APPROXIMATE TIME)

The Commission reviewed the site. They discussed the picnic shelters, the possible conversion of the tennis courts to shared pickleball/tennis and general comments on the site usage and future planning.

iv. CENTRAL PARK LEXINGTON (2540 LEXINGTON AVE N.) - 7:20PM (APPROXIMATE TIME)

The Commission reviewed the site including the ballfields, and amphitheater. Some discussion occurred about the planned restroom replacement, the long term viability of the ballfields, and the opportunity to implement new park opportunities.

v. VETERANS PARK (1135 WOODHILL DRIVE) - 7:45PM (APPROXIMATE TIME)

The Commission reviewed the site and discussed the planned development of a future Veterans Park as part of the Campus Master Plan Project.

7. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle Christensen, Parks and Recreation Department Assistant