

**CITY OF MAYER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021 @ 6:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Approve Agenda
3. Minutes
  - A. May 11, 2021 Meeting Minutes
4. Business
  - A. Mayer Rising Community Festival – Update
5. Staff Updates
  - A. Coldwater Crossing – Request to Consider a New Park
  - B. Splash Pad/Pavilion – Update
  - C. Park Signs
  - D. Basketball Court – Discovery Park – Update
  - E. Basketball Hoops – Bluejay Park
  - F. Playground Audit
  - G. Changing a Park Name
6. Commissioner Reports/Comments
7. Adjournment

**CITY OF MAYER  
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MAY 11, 2021 @ 6:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL**

1. Call to Order

**The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.**

Those present were Park Commissioners, Chad Heldt, Eric Vogel and Ryan Kusske. Margaret McCallum, City Administrator.

Absent: Mike Wegner, Melissa Gomes.

Also present: None.

2. Approve Agenda

**Heldt moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Kusske seconded. Motion passed 3-0.**

3. Minutes

April 13, 2021 Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

**Heldt moved to approve the Park and Recreation Commission Minutes from the April 13, 2021 Meeting. Kusske seconded. Motion passed 3-0.**

4. Business

A. Coldwater Crossing – Request to Consider a New Park

McCallum stated that she had received a request from a resident recently, and from residents in the past, to consider a park within the Coldwater Crossing Development on the west side.

McCallum explained that the City does not currently own any land in that area. She said that park land is generally dedicated when the land is developed by the landowner/developer. She went on to explain that when the land was in be planned for development over 20 years ago, the agreement was that the developer would pay park dedication fees instead of dedicating land. The fees went to the further development of the neighboring Old School House Park.

McCallum stated that because of that, any future development of the development does not require dedication of park land.

She went over options that the Park Commission could consider.

1. The City could purchase land and take steps develop it into a park. The Park Commission would have to figure out how to finance this.
2. The City could wait until the western part of the development is developed and if developed as a Planned Unit Development (PUD), the City council ask for park land consideration.
3. Not do anything.

McCallum asked the Park Commission on how they would like to proceed.

The Park Commission agreed to look into the options and bring back more information at the next meeting in June.

The Park Commission asked staff to meet with the landowner to discuss.

#### B. Park Signs

McCallum presented the updated concept for the park signs to the Commission that included:

1. An arch on top with the Mayer Logo popping out on top.
2. Black and Yellow colors with a grey background.
3. Black Single Post.
4. 5-feet wide.
5. Flat letters.
6. Option of a scan code or website link.

She informed that the signs are \$2,099.91 each for a total of \$10,499.55 for five. She stated that they would be paid for out of the Park Capital 220 Fund.

**Heldt moved to recommend to the City Council the purchase the five signs for \$10,499.55 to be paid for out of the 220 Park Capital Fund. Kusske seconded. Motion passed 3-0.**

#### C. Mayer Rising Community Festival - Update

The Park Commission discussed renting a “Hydroblaster” water game for the Mayer Rising Community Festival that would be placed next to an education tent for the Park Commission.

The Park Commission agreed to ask the Mayer Rising Community Festival if they approved of this and to bring it back to the June meeting for further discussion on logistics.

#### 5. Staff Updates

Lions Park – Name Change Request – McCallum stated that she is still finalizing research on this.

Splash Pad/Pavilion – McCallum stated that she is still waiting on concept information from the company. She stated that the concepts should be ready to be presented at the June meeting.

Basketball Court – Discovery Park -

McCallum stated that public works department is coordinating with contractors for this project to be done at the end of May.

Basketball Hoops – Bluejay Park

Kuntz stated that the public works department will be replacing the basketball hoops at Bluejay Park in May.

6. Commissioner Reports

Heldt asked that with the parking going in at Bluejay Park, should the City consider fencing around part of the court to protect balls from going into the street and parking area.

Kusske said that he has been looking at the current public works building at Old School House Park to see if it can be reused and renovated for the shelter/pavilion with bathrooms.

7. Adjournment

**Heldt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Kusske Seconded. Motion passed 3-0.**



## Park Commission Memorandum

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**Subject: Mayer Rising Community Festival (MRCF) – Update**

**Meeting Date: June 8, 2021**

**Presented By: Margaret McCallum, City Administrator**

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### **Park Commission Action:**

To decide whether the Park Commission would like to move forward with a “Water Event” at the Mayer Rising Community Festival.

### **Details:**

At the May 11, 2021 Park Commission meeting, the Park Commission discussed researching “Water Event” options for the Mayer Rising Community Festival.

The Commission discussed options and determined that renting a “Hydro Blaster” would be a fun event for the day.

The Commission decided to bring this back to the June 8, 2021 meeting to plan final details for the Festival, what hours the Commission would have the “Hydro Blaster” operating and a schedule of who would manage the event and when.



This water based, competitive game will keep kids entertained and excited! The game is played by crouching underneath the balloon chamber while you rush to pump air and allow water to

simultaneously fill the balloon that hangs above your opponents head and pop it before they beat you to it. The Hydro Blaster is a great alternative to the dunk tank and uses a lot less water! Can be used indoors without water as well.

Balloons included (comes with 100, additional available for purchase), customer must provide water source and hose if using with water.

**Financial:**

Hydro Blaster Rental - \$200.00.

Extra Balloons - \$50.00

Total - \$250.00

**Recommendation:**

To finalize details on a schedule for the “Hydro Blaster” station for the Mayer Rising Community Festival.

To make a motion recommending to the City Council the renting of the “Hydro Blaster” for up to \$250.00 for the Mayer Rising Community Festival.

**Attachments:**

Website for Party Event Rentals:

[https://www.twincitiesinflatables.com/items/hydro\\_blaster/](https://www.twincitiesinflatables.com/items/hydro_blaster/)



## Park Commission Memorandum

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**Subject: Project and Information Updates**

**Meeting Date: June 8, 2021**

**Presented By: Margaret McCallum, City Administrator**

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### **Park Commission Action:**

To receive project and information updates.

### **Details:**

*Coldwater Crossing – Request to consider a new park* – Staff is working on connecting with the property owner of Coldwater Xing LLC to discuss possible future park land dedication.

*Splash Pad/Pavilion – Update* – I am waiting for final concepts from CRS for their splash pad designs. Flagship sent some preliminary information on a pavilion concept with bathrooms. I have also checked back with the architect that designed the pavilion bathrooms/shelter that went for bid in 2018. I wanted to just get an idea of what he thought it would bid at today. I am hoping to have all of this put together for July's meeting.

*Park Signs* – The park signs were approved by the City Council. Staff has ordered the signs. They will be installed after they are delivered.

*Basketball Court – Discovery Park* –

Staff is coordinating contractors to start the basketball court up at Discovery Park.

*Basketball Hoops – Bluejay* –

The Public Works Department has been working on replacing the basketball hoops at Bluejay Park.

*Playground Audit* – Staff contracted Flagship Recreation to do an annual playground audit of each playground system within the parks. We received positive feedback with some recommendations for minor repairs. Staff will address accordingly. We do the audit to make sure that we are in compliance and that our playgrounds remain safe.

### **For Your Information:**

*Changing a Park Name Follow Up* – After some research and staff collaboration, it looks like the City has per City Code the established Park Commission. With that, the City Code has the power to “consider names for Park and Recreation Areas and make such recommendations to the City Council”. Per Minnesota State Statute, the City Council “may establish, improve, ornament, and manage parks...and by ordinance protect and regulate their use.” Therefore, If the Park Commission made such a recommendation to the City Council, the City Council could approve that recommendation.

**Recommendation:**

None.

**Attachments:**

None.