



City of North St. Paul
Parks & Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting Agenda

October 22, 2025
6:30 PM

The Park and Recreation Commission Meeting will be conducted on **October 22, 2025** at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 2400 Margaret St., North St. Paul.

You can watch the meeting on our YouTube channel here: [tinyurl.com/NSPYouTube](https://www.youtube.com/NSPYouTube)

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Laura Greenlee-Karp, Chair
Sarah Zahradka, Vice Chair
Lloyd Grachek
David Andren
Ben Hansen
Ingrid Koller
Rachel Lucas
Cassidy Schweer, Council Liaison

STAFF

Sara Lang-Noyola

III. Adopt Agenda

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of meeting minutes from September 24th, 2025.

V. Meeting Open to Public

This Open Forum is an opportunity for persons to address the Parks and Recreation Commission on items not on the agenda. A completed public comment form should be presented to the staff liaison prior to the meeting. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes per person. While the Commission may ask clarifying questions of the speaker, no formal action by the Commission or discussion will be held on these items.

VI. Commission Business, Action Items & Recommendations

A. 2026 CIP Brainstorming

VII. Reports from Staff

VIII. Reports from Commissioners & Park Liaisons

IX. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled Parks & Recreation Commission meeting is November 19, 2025.



To	Date
Parks & Recreation Commissioners	October 22, 2025

Agenda Placement # IV.A

Approval of Minutes

Subject

Approval of meeting minutes from September 24th, 2025.

Background/Facts

Recommended Action

Attachments

1. PRC Minutes 9.24.25

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Lang-Noyola, Community Development Administrative Assistant



**Park and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2025
6:30 PM**

North St. Paul City Hall – Council Chambers
2400 Margaret Street

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greenlee-Karp called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

COMMISSION

Laura Greenlee-Karp, Chair
Sarah Zahradka, Vice-Chair, excused
David Andren, Commissioner
Lloyd Grachek, Commissioner
Ben Hansen, Commissioner, excused
Ingrid Koller, Commissioner
Rachel Lucas, Commissioner

STAFF/LIAISONS

Cassidy Schweer, City Council Liaison
Sara Lang-Noyola, Staff Liaison

III. ADOPT AGENDA

Chair Greenlee-Karp called for a motion to adopt the September 24, 2025 meeting agenda.
M/Andren, S/Grachek
Motion carried 4-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of Minutes from August 27, 2025 PRC Meeting

Chair Greenlee-Karp called for a motion to approve the August 27, 2025 meeting minutes.
M/Andren, S/Koller
Motion carried 4-0.

V. MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC

No members of the public were in attendance.

VI. COMMISSION BUSINESS, ACTION ITEMS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Park Rental Policy and Fees

Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola presented the Commission with a recommendation to increase the rental and deposit fees for both Casey Lake Park and Hause Park. This is based on both researching other City's with comparable facilities and an increase in rental issues in the North St. Paul locations which have been provided in detail in the packet. Staff recommend that there are no changes to the fees for open-air shelters, an increase of \$50 to deposits at Hause and an increase of \$50 to rental fees and \$50 to the deposits at Casey.

Commissioner Andren proposed that the alcohol fees be altered to have a \$75 fee and a \$75 deposit to incentivize the renter to not cause problems due to alcohol. Council Member Schweer suggested a \$100 fee for alcohol with a rental when alcohol is selected and if no alcohol fee is paid prior to the rental, and evidence is found, the entire deposit will be withheld. The Commission agreed with the proposal and would like to move forward with the recommendation.

Chair Greenlee-Karp called for a motion to recommend the Park Rental Policy updates to the fees and the alcohol policy to City Council.

M/Andren, S/Lucas

Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Koller asked if staff have a recommendation for changing the park rental hours to shorten them and Staff Liaison Lang stated that there has been no discussion on that topic by staff.

The next step will be for Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola to put the recommendation together and add it to an upcoming City Council agenda. A resolution will be created to amend the park fees prior to the 2026 park rentals opening for the next calendar year.

B. Grant Opportunities

Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola presented a process for researching grant opportunities for future parks projects including some helpful links to get started. The goal is to assign each Commissioner to research grant opportunities for upcoming projects including updates to McKnight, new parks and the reutilization of Northwood Park. The goal is to bring back grants that you believe fit for the project to discuss at the next meeting or other future meetings. If you find any that you would like to discuss at the October meeting, please provide those to me before October 14th, For future meetings please ensure that the grant information is sent to me at least a week before the meeting. Once the Commission discusses the grant opportunities, and agrees to recommend them to staff, staff will review and apply for the grants that are appropriate. Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola will provide updates on the grants as we move through the process.

Chair Greenlee-Karp is assigned to ballfields and greenspace/event space at McKnight.

Commissioner Andren is assigned to the 3rd St park.

Commissioner Grachek is assigned to the skate park at McKnight.

Commissioner Koller is assigned to the Casey Lake active playground.

Commissioner Lucas is assigned to the Northwood overhaul.

Commissioner Hansen is assigned to the McKnight mini pitch.

Vice-Chair Zahradka is assigned to the downtown park.

VII. REPORTS FROM STAFF

Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola noted that the survey of the McKnight Athletic Complex was approved by City Council on September 2nd and the site work was completed last week. Now the company will compile the information and send it in to the City.

Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola spoke about updates on the 2025 park projects including Polar Park which will be installed in Spring of 2026, the Gaga ball pit at Northwood which will be added in Spring of 2026, the removal of the ballfields at Casey Lake Park are completed and the windscreen at the Hause Park pickleball courts will be installed in Spring of 2026. Public Works is scheduling a meeting with the City Horticulturalist and Prairie Restorations and MN Native Landscapes to talk about Southwood maintenance in 2026 and beyond.

Staff Liaison Lang-Noyola also mentioned that signs were placed at most parks in North St. Paul to promote the Park Passport Program. This program was promoted at the Autumn Arts Festival and has continued to be featured in the weekly City newsletter and on social media. The City encourages the Commissioners to promote the program with others as it is a great program to promote visiting the parks in the City.

VIII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS & PARK LIAISONS

Commissioner Lucas asked if the Park Passport Program can be promoted throughout the local schools and also noted that the Autumn Arts Festival was great and well attended and the parade was fun despite the weather.

Commissioner Koller noted that the Autumn Arts Festival was well attended, and it was easy to visit vendors and that the parade was exciting.

Chair Greenlee-Karp noted that the Autumn Arts Festival was great and acknowledged a lot of work went into planning it however the set up was flawed. It was asked if the Parks and Recreation Commission can work together with the Arts Commission for future Autumn Arts Festival planning.

Commissioner Grachek asked if the tennis courts at Silver Lake pickleball courts have signs to restrict bike riding on them as he has seen folks on them lately.

Commissioner Andren had no updates.

Council Member Schweer noted for the Autumn Arts Festival that parking should be limited to one side on Sean's Way as it was a tight fit for vehicles.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Greenlee-Karp asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM.

M/Andren, S/Grachek

Motion carried 5-0.



The next regularly scheduled Park and Recreation Commission Meeting will be on October 22, 2025.



To	Date
Parks & Recreation Commissioners	October 22, 2025

Agenda Placement # VI.A

Commission Business, Action Items & Recommendations

Subject

2026 CIP Brainstorming

Background/Facts

The Commission has previously made recommendations for 2026 in the CIP, and it is a good time to begin brainstorming ideas. The Commission will discuss how to approach the brainstorming.

Recommended Action

Attachments

1. PARKS 2026 - 2035 CIP 2

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Lang-Noyola, Community Development Administrative Assistant

Source	Project #	Priority	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
034 Park Dedication Fund													
Flex Field at McKnight	PARK-26-012	3		450,000									450,000
034 Park Dedication Fund Total			0	450,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450,000
063 Park Fund													
Pavilion Maintenance	PARK-23-007	3			30,000					34,000			64,000
Park Fencing at McKnight	PARK-23-012	2		60,000									60,000
McKnight Dugouts - Four Total	PARK-23-013	2		60,000									60,000
Casey Lake Hockey Rink Replacement	PARK-23-014	5			210,200								210,200
Casey Lake Open Air Shelter	PARK-23-015	5	34,200										34,200
Polar Park Improvements	PARK-23-018	5		191,000									191,000
Casey Lake Fishing Dock	PARK-23-023	5						32,900					32,900
Silver Lake Park Playground	PARK-25-002	3							500,000				500,000
Southwood Park Bridge/Observation Deck Replacement	PARK-25-003	2				45,000							45,000
Northwood Park Overhaul	PARK-25-004	3							1,430,000				1,430,000
Casey Lake Park Active Playground	PARK-25-007	2	500,000										500,000
Colby Hills Sport Field	PARK-25-009	3							25,000				25,000
Northwood Park 2025 Update	PARK-26-004	3	6,000										6,000
Tower Park 2025 Update	PARK-26-006	3		2,000									2,000
3rd Street Concept Design	PARK-26-007	3				1,120,000							1,120,000
Casey Lake Park Update	PARK-26-008	3	6,000										6,000
Downtown Open Space	PARK-26-009	3			785,867								785,867
Colby Hills Small Park Add On	PARK-26-011	2	35,000										35,000
Flex Field at McKnight	PARK-26-012	3		444,000									444,000
Playground at McKnight	PARK-26-013	3	300,000										300,000
Plaza at McKnight	PARK-26-014	3					484,000						484,000
Skate Park at McKnight	PARK-26-015	3		250,000									250,000
063 Park Fund Total			881,200	755,000	1,026,067	252,000	1,165,000	484,000	525,000	1,496,900	0	0	6,585,167
GRAND TOTAL			881,200	1,205,000	1,026,067	252,000	1,165,000	484,000	525,000	1,496,900	0	0	7,035,167

Source	Project #	Priority	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
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Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-23-013
 Project Name McKnight Dugouts - Four Total

Total Project Cost \$60,000
 Type Replacement
 Priority 2 Very Important
 Useful Life 20 years
 Department Parks and Recreation
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active

Description
 Replace dugouts at the softball fields.

Justification
 Dugouts have reached the end of their useful life.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60,000
Total	0	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60,000
Total	0	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60,000

Budget Impact
 Regular maintenance required and replacement anticipated in about 20 years after installation.

Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-23-014
 Project Name Casey Lake Hockey Rink Replacement

Total Project Cost \$210,200
 Type Replacement
 Priority 5 Future Consideration
 Useful Life 20 years
 Department Category Status
 Community Development Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Active

Description
 Replace and relocate the hockey rink closer to the eastern parking lot.

Justification

The hockey rink has poor orientation and is in poor condition and a long distance from any parking. The PIP recommends this as a short term project to be completed within 1-5 years (from 2022).

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	0	210,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210,200
Total	0	0	210,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210,200

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	210,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210,200
Total	0	0	210,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210,200

Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-23-015
 Project Name Casey Lake Open Air Shelter

Total Project Cost \$10,000
 Type Replacement
 Priority 5 Future Consideration
 Useful Life 20 years

Department Community Development
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active

Description

Rebuild an existing shelter that is past its useful life. - COMPLETE REMOVAL OF BOTH SHELTERS IN 2025 AND REBUILD ONE SHELTER IN A PLACE TO BE DETERMINED.

Justification

Shelter is past its useful life.

Prior	Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
10,000												
Prior	Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
10,000	063 Park Fund	34,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34,200
	Total	34,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34,200

Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-23-018
 Project Name Polar Park Improvements

Total Project Cost \$191,000
 Type Replacement
 Priority 5 Future Consideration
 Useful Life 15 years
 Department Category Status
 Community Development
 Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Active

Description
 The PIP recommends an internal trail loop, expanded playground equipment, and new site furnishings including benches, picnic tables, grills, and bike racks.

Justification
 Project recommended by the PIP.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	191,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	191,000
Total	0	191,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	191,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	191,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	191,000
Total	0	191,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	191,000

Capital Improvement Plan
North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-25-003
 Project Name Southwood Park Bridge/Observation Deck Replacement

Total Project Cost \$45,000
 Type Replacement
 Priority 2 Very Important
 Useful Life 30 years
 Department Parks and Recreation
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active

Description

The metal bridge over the existing creek should be replaced in the next 5-10 years. Additionally, the observation deck needs to be replaced in the next 5-10 years due to weathering issues.

Justification

The bridge allows users to access the entire park area by traversing over the creek, and the observation deck allows users to experience and appreciate the park's water ways.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	0	0	0	45,000	0	0	0	0	0	45,000
Total	0	0	0	0	45,000	0	0	0	0	0	45,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	0	0	45,000	0	0	0	0	0	45,000
Total	0	0	0	0	45,000	0	0	0	0	0	45,000

Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-25-007
 Project Name Casey Lake Park Active Playground

Total Project Cost \$500,000
 Type New/Expansion
 Priority 2 Very Important
 Useful Life 25 years
 Department Parks and Recreation
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active

Description

Recommendation to construct a new ninja course or other "active" playground area on the east side of the park. Repair existing hockey rink and create a service road for vehicles to access. Also include a new ADA accessible path in the park.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	500,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500,000
Total	500,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	500,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500,000
Total	500,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500,000

Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-25-009
 Project Name Colby Hills Sport Field

Total Project Cost \$25,000
 Type New/Expansion
 Priority 3 Important
 Useful Life 20 years
 Department Parks and Recreation
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active

Description
 Create a new sport field at Colby Hills Park.

	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Expenditures											
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,000	0	0	0	25,000
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,000	0	0	0	25,000
Funding Sources											
063 Park Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,000	0	0	0	25,000
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,000	0	0	0	25,000

Capital Improvement Plan North St. Paul. MN

Project # PARK-26-004
Project Name Northwood Park 2025 Update

Total Project Cost \$6,000
Department Parks and Recreation
Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
Status Active
Community Development Director New/Expansion
3 Important
10 years
Contact Type Priority Useful Life

Description
1 moveable gaga ball pit w/ swinging ADA door, 1 picnic table on concrete pad, 1 bench on concrete pad. (Rachel Lucas) RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE TO 2026.

Justification
Northwood is one of the city's larger parks and is the primary N. St. Paul park for the southwest portion of the city. This park has not received an update in many years and is not scheduled for a major upgrade for several years. The goal of this request is to add a small, inexpensive update to the park in the meantime until it can more fully revitalized.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Total	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Total	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000

Capital Improvement Plan

North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-26-006
 Project Name Tower Park 2025 Update

Total Project Cost \$2,000 Community Development Director
 Department Parks and Recreation New/Expansion
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space 3 Important
 Status Active Useful Life 10 years

Description
 1 moveable gaga ball pit w/ swinging ADA door. (Rachael Lucas) RECOMMENDATION IS TO MOVE TO 2029 AFTER THE CITY COMPLETES A NEW WATER TOWER INSTALLATION.

Justification
 Tower park is a well used, centrally located park in the city. To refresh the park and encourage the participation of older children, we'd like to add an inexpensive update.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
Total	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
Total	0	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000

Capital Improvement Plan North St. Paul, MN

Project #	PARK-26-007	Community Development Director
Project Name	3rd Street Concept Design	New/Expansion
Total Project Cost	\$1,120,000	3 Important
Department	Parks and Recreation	30 years
Category	Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space	
Status	Active	

Description

Given the site's proximity to numerous homes, the proposed program is designed to serve both families and individuals. Community engagement highlighted strong interest in walking trails, nature play areas, and a community garden. These elements align with the City's initial concept of a low-impact design that preserves the forest character and respects neighboring residences. The walking trails and nature play areas are located in the northern forested section. Existing clearings are utilized for play areas to minimize environmental impact. The site's gentle slopes allow for accessible paths linking internal spaces with a new sidewalk along the road, providing multiple access points. Selective vegetation removal and general cleanup will create space for pathways, improve visibility from the west side, and enhance safety. (Dave Andren)

Justification

To supply open space areas, walking trails, and play areas to accommodate the new townhome development and all other neighboring residence.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	0	0	0	910,000	0	0	0	0	0	910,000
Professional Services	0	0	0	0	110,000	0	0	0	0	0	110,000
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	0	0	0	0	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	100,000
Total	0	0	0	0	1,120,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,120,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	0	0	1,120,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,120,000
Total	0	0	0	0	1,120,000	0	0	0	0	0	1,120,000

Capital Improvement Plan
North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-26-008
Project Name Casey Lake Park Update

Total Project Cost \$6,000
Department Parks and Recreation
Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
Status Active
Community Development Director New/Expansion
3 Important
10 years
Contact Type
Priority
Useful Life

Description

Remove fence around ball field 3. Deconstruct the derelict ball field 3 structure. Purchase a pair of soccer/football combo goals to install and convert ball field 3 into a combined sports use field. (Rachel Lucas) RECOMMEND TO MOVE TO 2026.

Justification

Casey Lake's 3rd ball field is seldom used, and the structure is at the end of its life, bordering on unsafe. The Parks & Rec commission board believes a multi purpose field would increase utilization of the area. A combined soccer/ football combo goal would provide open, grassy space for multiple activities: football, soccer, rugby, volleyball, badminton, etc.

	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Expenditures											
Construction	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Total	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Funding Sources											
063 Park Fund	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Total	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000

Capital Improvement Plan North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-26-009
Project Name Downtown Open Space

Total Project Cost \$785,867
Department Parks and Recreation
Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
Status Active
Contact Type Priority Useful Life
Community Development Director New/Expansion 3 Important 15 years

Description

This site would be organized into three distinct zones: buffer planting, a flexible plaza, and lawn areas. At the heart of this design is the "front porch." This space is highlighted by a series of brightly colored bench swings, offering playful interaction and drawing attention from passersby. The plaza also features picnic tables for gatherings and a decorative surface finish with a light texture that encourages lingering and slows foot traffic, inviting people to relax and enjoy the space. New pathways connect the central plaza to surrounding sidewalks. Alongside these paths are stacked stone blocks, which frame the space, subtly separate active areas from the street, provide additional seating, and serve as playful climbing features for children. At the park's eastern corner, the primary entry point is marked by a small area of decorative paving located behind the sidewalk. This entry space accommodates park signage and doubles as a performance area for small events, oriented either toward the park or the street. (David Andren)

Justification

The increase in downtown residents and central site location create an opportunity to offer a neighborhood green space that can also host small gatherings or performances connected to the library, downtown businesses, or events like the History Cruze Car Show.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	0	491,597	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	491,597
Professional Services	0	0	244,270	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	244,270
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	0	0	50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000
Total	0	0	785,867	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	785,867

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	785,867	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	785,867
Total	0	0	785,867	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	785,867

Capital Improvement Plan North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-26-011
Project Name Colby Hills Small Park Add On

Total Project Cost \$35,000 Community Development Director
Department Parks and Recreation New/Expansion
Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space 2 Very Important
Status Active Useful Life 25 years

Description

Adding two additional structures to the open lot at Colby Hills. A spider climber and spinning climber. Would require wood chip foundations and installation as part of this estimate. (Sarah Zahradka)
RECOMMENDATION - AREA IS FOR HOCKEY RINK, MOVE TO 2026 AND LOOK AT OTHER OPTIONS.

Justification

There is a need for older use play structures at this park. There is a large lot currently under used that could service a lot more ages for play. The current picnic structure is in good shape and would get a lot more use with some additional equipment.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	19,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19,000
Construction	16,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,000
Total	35,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	35,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35,000
Total	35,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35,000

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Project # PARK-26-012
 Project Name Flex Field at McKnight

Total Project Cost \$894,000
 Department Parks and Recreation
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active
 Contact Type
 Priority Useful Life
 Community Development Director New/Expansion
 3 Important
 35 years

Description

Flexible field in place of current t-ball field off of McKnight St. This would be part of the greater McKnight fields redesign and expansion. This flexible field would allow for baseball, mini soccer and other turf sports. This would be an artificial turf with drainage and proper surround detailed out in the HGA Design plan. (Sarah Zahradka)

Justification

This is part of the greater redesign of McKnight fields. This is a park that has been neglected and in need of repair and renovation. This would be one of the steps in the redesign process. As a regional park, this is an asset to the city, not yet realized. By making a more functional and useable space, this park could attract visitors from all over the city. Having a multi use field would attract leagues we don't currently have in the city such as soccer, lacrosse and more, making this park much for versatile then it is today.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	794,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	794,000
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	0	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100,000
Total	0	894,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	894,000
Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
034 Park Dedication Fund	0	450,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450,000
063 Park Fund	0	444,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	444,000
Total	0	894,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	894,000

Capital Improvement Plan North St. Paul, MN

Project # PARK-26-013
Project Name Playground at McKnight

Total Project Cost \$300,000
 Department Parks and Recreation
 Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space
 Status Active
 Contact Type New/Expansion
 Priority 3 Important
 Useful Life 35 years

Description

New playground at McKnight fields complex. Estimate is provided by HGA. This would be part of the greater McKnight fields redesign and expansion. This would go hand in hand with the parking lot redesign at McKnight. (Sarah Zahradka)

Justification

This is part of the greater redesign of McKnight fields. This is a park that has been neglected and in need of repair and renovation. This would be one of the steps in the redesign process. As a regional park, this is an asset to the city, not yet realized. By making a more functional and usable space, this park could attract visitors from all over the city. The addition of a unique play structure and ninja park at McKnight would allow for children to play while siblings are playing ball or serve a need for more accelerated play for older children. Our city has a severe lack of equipment and play resources for youths 12+ and this would be a great start to that as well as help be a great focal point from Highway 36.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	200,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200,000
Construction	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100,000
Total	300,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	300,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300,000
Total	300,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300,000

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Project # PARK-26-014
Project Name Plaza at McKnight

Total Project Cost	\$484,000	Community Development Director	New/Expansion
Department	Parks and Recreation	Type	3 Important
Category	Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space	Priority	35 years
Status	Active	Useful Life	

Description

Creating a plaza that connects all central units of the new McKnight field. This concrete plaza would have permanent shade structures and moveable picnic tables that can be moved out to create a larger space for events like art in the park, food truck night, etc. This plaza becomes the heart of the complex connecting legion field to the playgrounds, skate park and softball fields as well as the parking lot. (Sarah Zahradka)

Justification

This is part of the greater redesign of McKnight fields. This is a park that has been neglected and in need of repair and renovation. This would be one of the steps in the redesign process. As a regional park, this is an asset to the city, not yet realized. By making a more functional and useable space, this park could attract visitors from all over the city. The additional of this plaza helps create a connection point between legion field, walking trail, playground, and 4 softball fields. This space is intended to be multi use and can be converted for city wide art shows, events and sports rentals.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	484,000	0	0	0	0	484,000
Total	0	0	0	0	0	484,000	0	0	0	0	484,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	0	0	0	484,000	0	0	0	0	484,000
Total	0	0	0	0	0	484,000	0	0	0	0	484,000

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Project # PARK-26-015
Project Name Skate Park at McKnight

Total Project Cost \$250,000 Community Development Director
Department Parks and Recreation New/Expansion
Category Parks, Playgrounds, Paths, Open Space 3 Important
Status Active 35 years

Contact
Type Useful Life
Priority
Useful Life

Description

New skate and BMX park at the new McKnight complex. Details of exact objects in this park would have to be completed with help from community experts in the skate and BMX field. Estimate is provided by HGA. This would be part of the greater McKnight fields redesign and expansion. (Sarah Zahradka)

Justification

This is part of the greater redesign of McKnight fields. This is a park that has been neglected and in need of repair and renovation. This would be one of the steps in the redesign process. As a regional park, this is an asset to the city, not yet realized. By making a more functional and useable space, this park could attract visitors from all over the city. The addition of a skate park would be a first for the city of NSP and be a great addition for older youth in our community. The adjacency to the high school makes this a great space for youths to express themselves and have a safe environment for play. Our city has a severe lack of equipment and play resources for youths 12+ and this would be a great start to that.

Expenditures	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
Equip/Vehicles/Furnishing	0	0	0	150,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	150,000
Construction	0	0	0	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	100,000
Total	0	0	0	250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	250,000

Funding Sources	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Total
063 Park Fund	0	0	0	250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	250,000
Total	0	0	0	250,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	250,000