



**AGENDA**  
**PARKS, RECREATION & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING**

**January 7, 2026 - 6:00 PM**  
**Lake Marion Conference Room**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes
  - a. November 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes
3. Citizen Comments
4. Discussion Items
  - a. Lakeville Area Arts Center Update
  - b. 2026-2030 Parks Capital Improvement Plan
  - c. Parks System Master Plan Progress Update
5. Staff Report
6. Adjourn

**CITY OF LAKEVILLE**  
**PARKS, RECREATION & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 19, 2025**

Committee Chair Weberg called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Lake Marion Conference Room.

**Members Present:** Holly Weberg, Steve Henneberry, Vicki Schwartz, Renee Brekken

**Members Absent:** Pat Sauer, Saima Ali, Mark Engler, Dan Volkosh, Shahid Nadeem

**Staff Present:** Parks and Recreation Director Joe Masiarchin

**1. Approval of the October 1, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

Schwarz made a motion, seconded by Henneberry, to approve the October 1, 2025, minutes as written.

**Ayes: unanimous**

**2. Citizen comments**

**Chris Kohlbeck 9502 207<sup>th</sup> St. W.** – Opposes the extension of the Lake Marion Greenway project. Feels that there is already sufficient regional trail connectivity to most of the destinations that are highlighted as part of the greenway. He has also spoken to neighbors and other park goers who were not aware of the greenway proposal and did not think that adequate notice had been provided to the community. Expressed concern over the increased bike traffic that will be drawn to the park.

**3. Lake Marion Greenway Trail Design Update**

DJ Sosa from WSB provided a status update on the Lake Marion Greenway Trail Design. WSB has been consulting on the project since 2018 when the initial feasibility study was completed. A second open house was held in early November to update stakeholders on the project and provide an opportunity for feedback. Open houses were advertised via direct mailers, City-wide newsletters, City and department Facebook pages, and on the City website.

The current alignment and 90% to completion plans were shared with the committee for feedback. The adjusted alignment is intended to stay close to the road, use existing trails, and minimize impact on the park's natural areas. Impacts on parking will reduce the footprint while improving the efficiency of the parking area. A tree survey was completed with City Staff, WSB, and representatives from Dakota County, encompassing the proposed trail alignment within 100 feet of the trail center. Given the impact on existing trees, the trail grade has been adjusted to improve access and preserve additional valuable trees. The species and health of the trees to be impacted were taken into consideration when grading them. Where able, the equestrian and cross-country ski/snowmobile trails will shift to the current hiking trail. Staff will meet with members of the Sno-Trackers club to finalize trail alignments and assess the impact on ski and snowmobile trails. Speed mitigation, including speed limit signs, will be posted, as will educational signage to direct bike traffic.

Each phase of the design will be presented to the Parks committee and City Council for review and approval.

**Committee Discussion:**

**Can the speed limit be reduced?** Yes, an initial speed limit will be set for all trails with adjustments made where needed to accommodate areas of increased traffic or potentially hazardous conditions. Public education will be created and deployed via the City's website and social media channels.

**4. Parks System Master Plan Update**

The community survey closed with just over 1,300 responses received. The identification of existing conditions of the parks system is nearing completion and moving into the needs assessment phase. Stakeholder meetings have been completed with various advisory board members, athletic association representatives, staff, and Dakota County. A group meeting with the consultant, staff and advisory committee will be held in late December or early January.

**5. Other Business**

Weberg reminded committee members of the upcoming volunteer opportunities for winter Recreation events including Santa's Secret Store, Illumination Walk and Ritter Fest.

Henneberry made a motion, seconded by Schwartz, to adjourn the November 19, 2025 meeting.

Ayes: unanimous

**6. Adjourn**

Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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# Memorandum

**To:** Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee  
**From:** Joe Masiarchin, Parks and Recreation Director  
**Date:** December 31, 2025  
**Subject:** 2026-2030 Parks Capital Improvement Plan

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The 2026-2030 Parks Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) has been reviewed and approved by the Mayor and City Council. Staff will provide details on the various construction projects, improvements and maintenance projects that were approved as part of the CIP.

Some notable items include:

- Completion of Grand Prairie Park
- East Community Park Phase II Construction
- Lake Marion Greenway
- Parks System Master Plan
- Construction of Voyageur and Ritter Meadows Parks

Funding for the Parks CIP projects is provided through the 2021 Park Bond Referendum, Park Dedication, and Park Maintenance Funds.

2026 through 2030  
**Capital Improvement Plan**  
 Lakeville, MN  
**Projects By Department**

Department	Project #	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total
<b>Park Bonds</b>							
East Community Park Phase II	25-20	2,775,000					2,775,000
Grand Prairie Park	24-20	2,395,492					2,395,492
<b>Park Bonds Total</b>		<b>5,170,492</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,170,492</b>
<b>Park Dedication</b>							
Future Park Land Acquisition	P-04			100,000	100,000	100,000	300,000
Grand Prairie Skatepark	P-12			50,000	600,000		650,000
Keokuk Avenue/172nd St. Park	P-11				65,000	770,000	835,000
Lake Marion Greenway	26-15	4,580,000	67,500	150,000	405,000	2,880,000	8,082,500
Other Projects	P-19	300,000	25,000	600,000	325,000	325,000	1,575,000
Park Development - Administrative Projects	P-02	35,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	115,000
Park Development - Developer Credits	P-03	435,000	435,000	435,000	435,000	435,000	2,175,000
Parks - New Parking Lots & Expansions	P-24	300,000					300,000
Parks System Master Plan	P-23	91,300					91,300
Ritter Meadows Park	P-13			58,000	770,000		828,000
S.W. Corner of 210th Street & I-35	P-25					75,000	75,000
Voyageur Park	P-14	35,000	720,000				755,000
<b>Park Dedication Total</b>		<b>5,776,300</b>	<b>1,267,500</b>	<b>1,413,000</b>	<b>2,720,000</b>	<b>4,605,000</b>	<b>15,781,800</b>
<b>Park Maintenance</b>							
192nd St Retaining Wall & Trail Reconstruction	P-22	55,000					55,000
Kenrick Trail Sheet Pile, Wall, & Trail Repairs	P-21	275,000					275,000
Klamath Trail Retaining Wall	23-13	10,000	1,500,000				1,510,000
Park Improvements (Various Parks)	P-06	277,000	694,000	164,000	142,000	112,000	1,389,000
Park Maintenance-Equipment	E-04	572,405	702,514	775,820	409,040	623,610	3,083,389
Park parking lot improvements	P-09	75,000	210,000	113,000	55,000	45,000	498,000
Parks Major Maintenance - Bldgs/ Shelters/Grounds	P-17	60,000	0	0	500	24,850	85,350
Parks Major Maintenance - Courts	P-20	7,000	30,000	22,000	12,000	51,400	122,400
Parks Major Maintenance - Fields	P-16	31,500	37,000	39,000	39,000	12,000	158,500
Parks Major Maintenance - General	P-01	18,250	18,500	19,500	19,500	19,750	95,500
Parks Major Maintenance - Open Space	P-15	27,000	27,000	27,000	27,000	28,000	136,000
Playground Replacement	P-08	513,000	315,000	543,000	372,000	381,000	2,124,000
Trail Improvements (Various Trails)	P-05	890,000	530,000	708,000	710,000	710,000	3,548,000
<b>Park Maintenance Total</b>		<b>2,811,155</b>	<b>4,064,014</b>	<b>2,411,320</b>	<b>1,786,040</b>	<b>2,007,610</b>	<b>13,080,139</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>13,757,947</b>	<b>5,331,514</b>	<b>3,824,320</b>	<b>4,506,040</b>	<b>6,612,610</b>	<b>34,032,431</b>



# Memorandum

**To:** Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee  
**From:** Joe Masiarchin, Parks and Recreation Director  
**Date:** December 31, 2025  
**Subject:** Parks System Master Plan Progress Update

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The second Parks System Master Plan, with advisory committee members, City staff, and the consultant, is scheduled for January 6. Topics included:

- Project Overview
- Review of public input from the survey and key stakeholders
- Overview and discussion of needs in the parks and trails system

Staff is asking representatives from this committee, who are part of the planning group, to provide an update on the project's current status.