

CLOQUET PARKS COMMISSION AGENDA

City Hall Council Chambers
Monday, May 2, 2022 4:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of Minutes. _____

- a. April 4, 2022, Regular Commission Meeting.
(Additions, deletions, or corrections)

3. Announcements, Agenda Adjustments, Correspondence, and Other Comments.

4. Information and Reports. _____

a. Commissioners Update/Other.

- Public Comments.

Please give your name, and address. Visitors may share concerns on any issue, which is not already on the agenda. Each person will have 3 minutes to speak. The Chair reserves the right to limit an individual's presentation if it becomes redundant, repetitive, irrelevant, or overly argumentative. All comments will be taken under advisement by the Commission. No action will be taken at this time. Public Comments will be limited to 10 minutes per topic or 30 minutes total. The Commission may request an item be placed on a future agenda for further discussion as part of the regular meeting.

- Commissioner Comments/Updates.

b. Community Ed Report –Erin Bates

c. City Staff Report – Ross

- Boldt Riverfront Cleanup
- Park Department New Hire
- July 4th Celebration
- Pollinator Garden
- Hilltop Field 4
- Lions Club Bench Donation
- Wayfinding Signage at Pine Valley
- Maintenance Activities

5. Action Items.

- a. Trails Edge Park Dedication - Cash In lieu of Land
(Discussion and recommendation requested) _____

- b. Fee Waiver Request – Backpack Event
(Discussion and recommendation requested) _____

6. Future Items.

- Next Meeting (**Monday, June 6, 2022**)

7. Adjourn.

Regular Meeting.
Parks Commission April 4, 2022 - 4:30 p.m.
City hall

Present: C. Martinson, T. Urbanski, Sarah Buhs, J. Badger, M. Collins
Absent: T. Krohn, M. Krick
Staff: K. Stedman, R. Biebl, A. Chalberg, L. Anderson
Others: E. Bates, K. Kolodge, J. Eckenberg

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 7, 2022 regular meeting were presented. Motion to approve by Commissioner Urbanski and 2nd by Commissioner Buhs, motion carried 4-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff introduced the new Parks Commissioner Matt Collins.

COMMUNITY ED

Erin Bates reports that the Lumber Log is out and registrations for classes has begun. The Age to Age activities happening in the Parks is being planned. Grandmas will be holding one of their Wednesday Nights at the Races in Cloquet, the fees for the use of the track have been waived by the Cloquet School Board. One of the lifeguards has been certified as an instructor now and will be re-certifying some lifeguards on May 11th and 12th and later in May will be training some new lifeguards. The new registration system for The Beach will also be used to check folks at The Beach. The new system seems to be user friendly so far. Life jackets will be required this year for kids under 12. The teen registration for those at the pool without an adult will include contact information for those teens if a contact may be needed. Commissioner Badger asked about the number of days closed last year due to lack of lifeguards. There were several closures, including July 1st to the 4th. This year the staffing practices will be managed differently with requests for days off to be made in advance and allowed vacations will be planned and limited to only some of the crew.

CITY STAFF REPORT

Per Staff, the Boldt Clean Up day will be held April 30th in and around Dunlop Island. Rink attendance was discussed, along with days closed and rink conditions. Staff thanks Commissioner Krohn for the Friends of Cloquet Parks donation. Maps for Pine Valley with the locations and examples for way finding signage were shared, Commissioners shared their suggestions, and the final decisions are pending. The upgrades for the Pine Valley timing shack were discussed. The capital will all come from fund raising which is being spearheaded by David Johnson, a Nordic Ski Coach at Marshall. Boldt will donate some of their time and City employees will also work on the upgrades. The SWCD (Carlton Soil and Water Conservation District) will be working with a MN Conservation Corps crew to treat and remove Buckthorn, around the hospital. City maintenance crews are currently working on some painting projects indoors, as well as some garbage pickup and animal waste pickup in the parks. The last two features for Braun Park were put together.

ACTION ITEMS

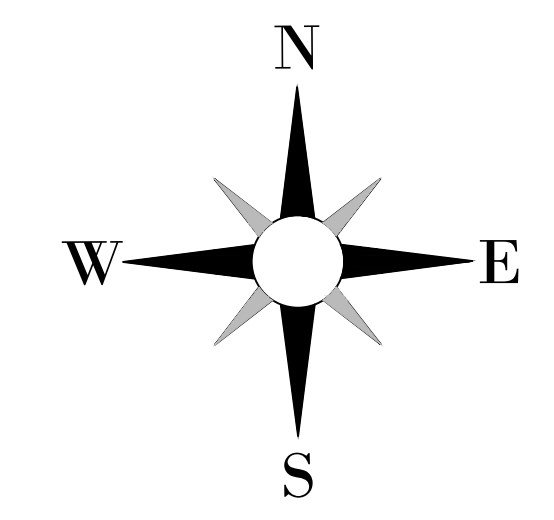
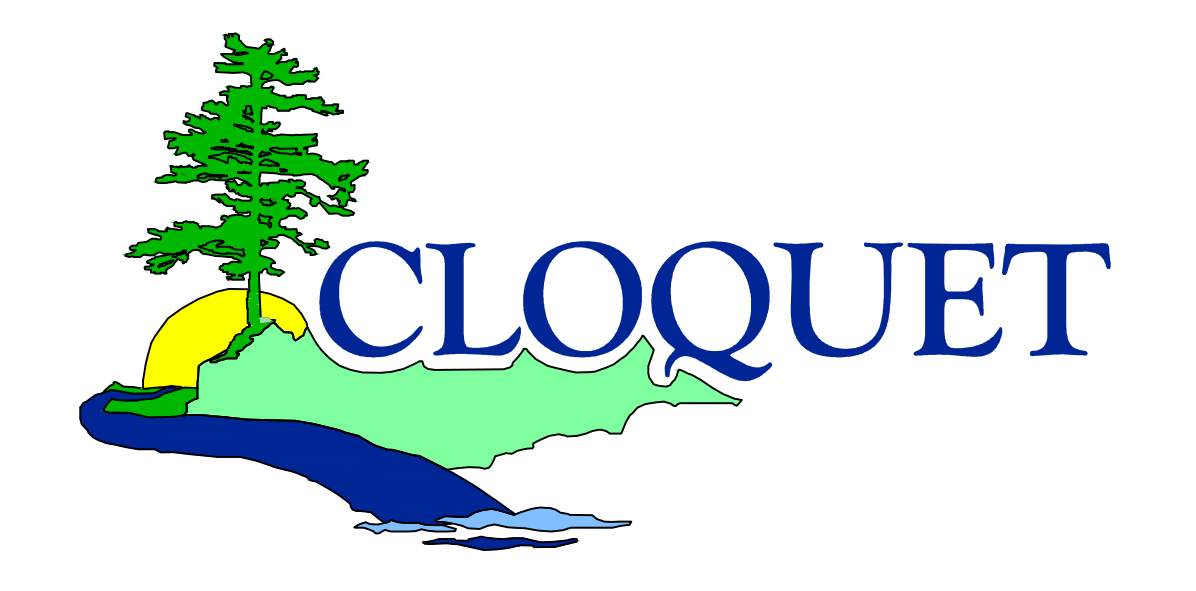
Staff reviewed and recommended the approval of the 2022 CYBSA (Cloquet Youth Baseball/Softball Association) Budget. Jason Eckenberg from the CYBSA was in attendance to discuss the proposed 2022 budget. He states the one project for the summer is work on the pitching mound, price for the work is under the amount needing Commission approval. Commissioner Badger asked about parking issues and vehicles driving to the back fields. A motion was made by Commissioner Collins to accept the 2022 CYBSA Budget, seconded by Commissioner Urbanski, motion carried 5-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held May 2, 2022 - 4:30 p.m. (City Hall)
On motion duly carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present, the Parks Commission adjourned.

Secretary

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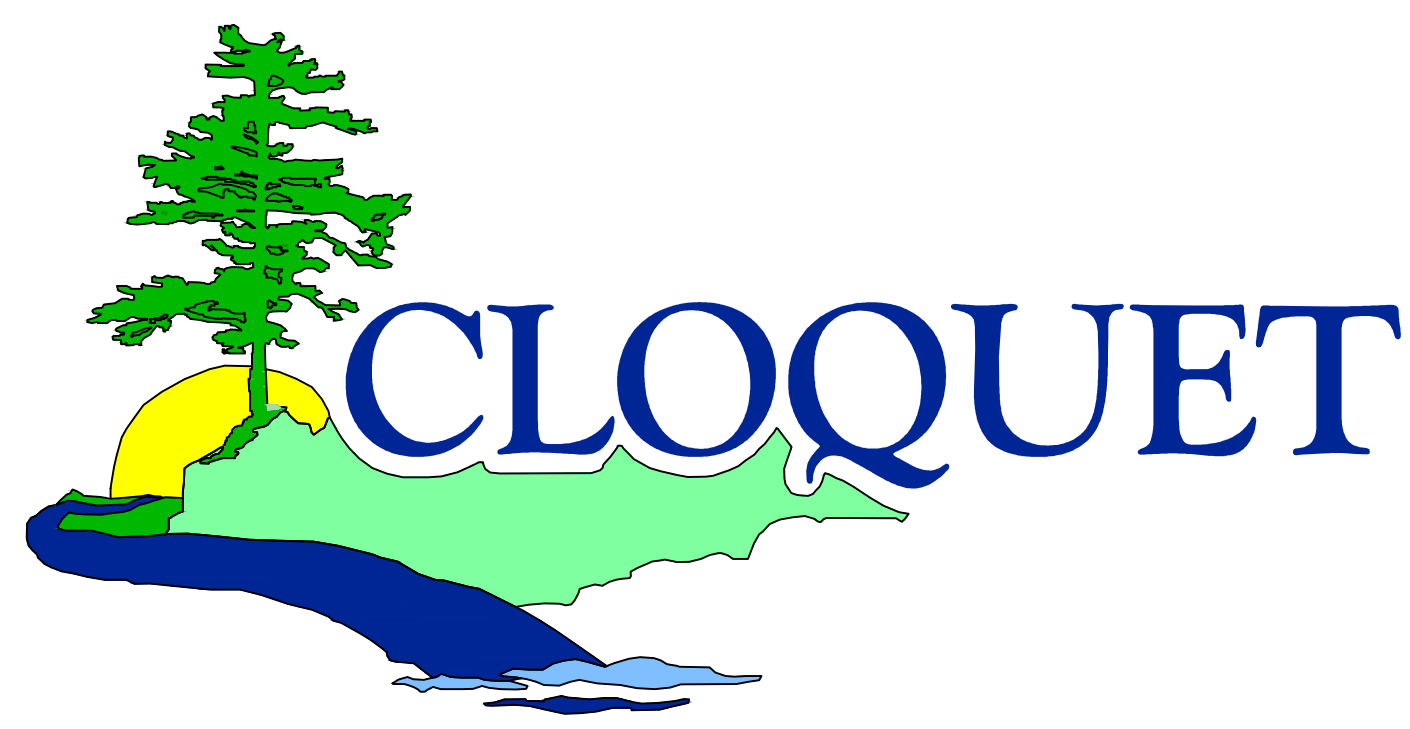
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- SINGLE TRACK TRAIL
- SINGLE TRACK TRAIL (SUMMER USE ONLY)
- SKI TRAIL
- SKI TRAIL (WINTER USE ONLY)
- ROADS
- TRAIL HEAD
- PARKING
- LIGHTS





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- WATCH FOR FOOT/SLOW MOVING TRAFFIC.
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- TRAIL HEAD
- PARKING

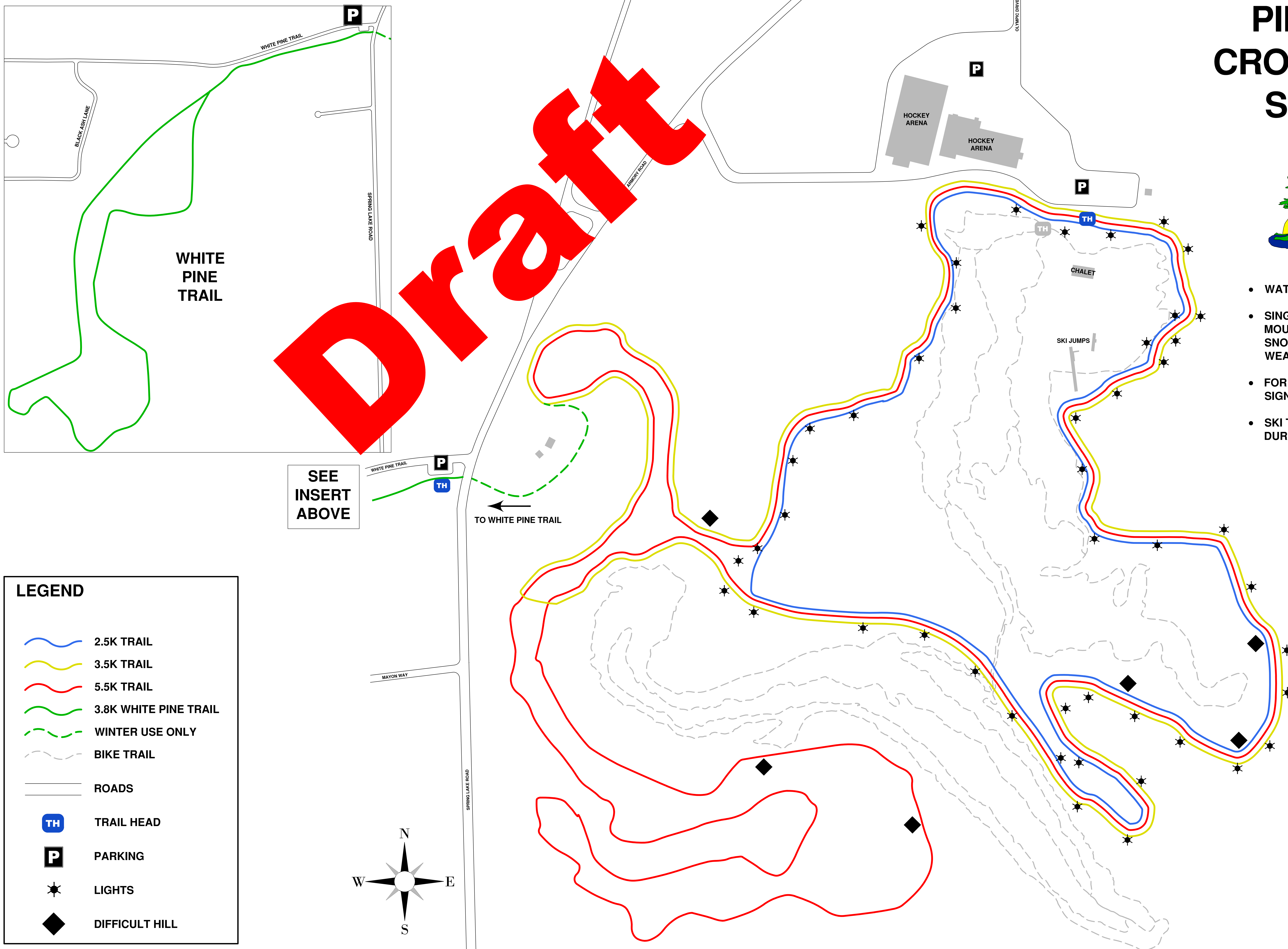


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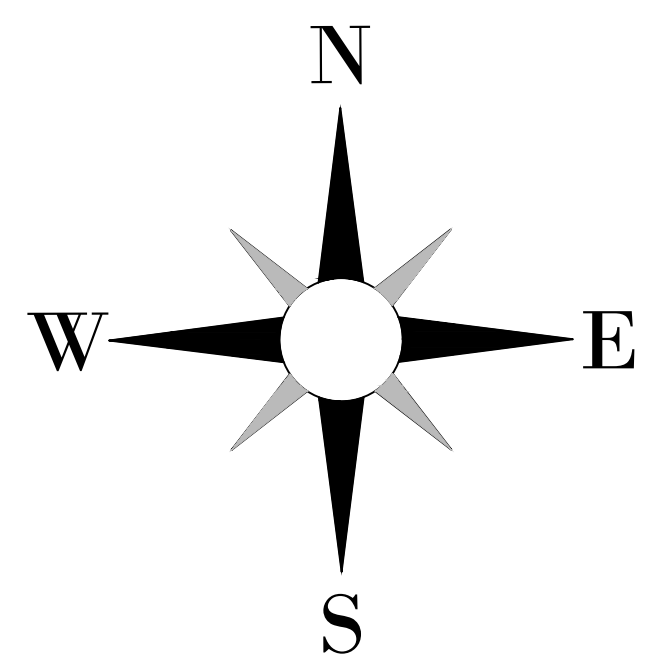
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REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Park Commission
From: Ross Biebl, Assistant Public Works Director
Date: May 2, 2022

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Trails Edge Park Dedication - Cash In lieu of Land

Proposed Action

Staff recommends the Park Commission **MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL THE TRAILS EDGE PARK DEDICATION - CASH IN LIEU OF LAND.**

Background/Overview

Trails Edge Second Addition has made a request to donate land within the subdivision to fulfill the parks dedication component, as required by city code. The preservation of wetland areas within a subdivision is also required under the Wetland Conservation Act. After careful consideration Planning Department staff is recommending not to accept wetlands as a Park Dedication but rather accept money in lieu of land dedication.

Under the current City Code, Subdivision Regulations, Chapter 13.1.09 Subdivision 1.A, Where a proposed public park, recreation area or open space, as determined by the Comprehensive Plan, Planning Commission and/or City Council, is located in whole or in part within a subdivision, the subdivider shall make available such lands to the City of Cloquet, provided, however, that the total dedication shall not exceed ten percent of the total gross acreage owned or controlled by the subdivider in the case of proposed subdivision of five lots or more.

To clarify, staff will ask developer to pay the city 10% of the market value in lieu of the land dedication. The proposed area is classified as wetlands and not a usable space for park purposes.

Policy Objectives

n/a

Financial/Budget/Grant Considerations

Staff has not finalized the dollar amount at this time. Reviewing 2020 Carlton County tax records, the property is valued at \$71,000. 10% of 2020 value equates to \$7,100.00 and will be placed in Park Dedication Fund. This fund is allocated solely for the acquisition of land for public parks, recreation areas or open spaces, development of existing parks and recreation areas, or debt retirement in connection with lands previously acquired for parks, recreation area or open spaces.

Supporting Documentation Attached

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REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Park Commission
From: Ross Biebl, Assistant Public Works Director
Date: May 2, 2022

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Fee Waiver Request – Backpack Event

Proposed Action

Request for a motion to **WAIVE THE PARK RESERVATION FEE AND APPROVE THE USE OF VETERANS PARK FOR A BACKPACK EVENT .**

Background/Overview

United Way is hosting a backpack and barbecue event for students in Carlton County that are in need of school supplies. This event is a joint effort between ISD 94, Salvation Army and the United Way. They have requested a waiver of the park reservation fee.

Policy Objectives

N/A.

Financial/Budget/Grant Considerations

As a condition of the fee waiver, the City will not provide extra services or incur costs from outside vendors for this event.

Supporting Documentation Attached

None.