



Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street
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Action Summary - Final Parks and Sustainability Committee

Chair Cindi Fowler (D-14)
Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10)
Committee Member Brandon Coan (D-8)
Committee Member Mark H. Fox (D-13)
Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Thursday, September 10, 2020

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order

Chair Fowler called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Fowler introduced the committee members present.

***NOTE: All committee members present attended virtually.**

Present: 7 - Chair Cindi Fowler (D-14), Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Committee Member Brandon Coan (D-8), Committee Member Mark H. Fox (D-13), Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), and Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Support Staff

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Connie Dearing, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 20-1163](#)

An Overview of Grounds Maintenance of Metro Parks - Mesude Duyar, Metro Parks, and Dana Kasler, Metro Parks

Chair Fowler introduced Mesude Duyar, Metro Parks and Dana Kasler, Metro Parks.

Chair Fowler commended Mesude Duyar and her Metro Parks crew for the organization and the work done in one year in regards to the grass cutting and maintenance activities in the parks system.

Mesude Duyar, spoke about this topic, which included the following:

- An organization chart and calendars were implemented to track the activity of each park
- Each supervisor is responsible for updating on a daily basis
- Manpower was studied, along with equipment to figure out the most efficient way to utilize the equipment
- The length of mowing times for each park was studied
- The chart is providing a database for each division of Metro Parks
- Equipment is reflected on the chart for time and place of usage, and maintenance
- This all precipitated the mowing schedule to go from every 31 days to 14 days

The following spoke to the item:

- Chair Fowler
- Committee Member Fox
- Committee Member Coan
- Mesude Duyar, Metro Parks
- Committee Member Peden
- Dana Kasler, Metro Parks
- Committee Member Parker

The following was discussed:

- Other areas that are maintained by the Metro Parks such as, pocket parks, managed meadows, and the indigent cemetery.
- The length of the mowing season starts and stops when there is snow on the ground.
- Tree watering monitor system is being looked at which is the same being used for the mowing season.
- The possibility of the mowing schedule becoming visible to the public.
- This type of organizational system being needed and utilized by other Metro departments.
- Money is available in the budget for the purchase of the "bat wing" mower. The bond needs to be executed in order to purchase the equipment.
- Utilizing Public Works for the paving of bad roads in the park system since they have the equipment to do so, and it only taking a budget transfer for funding. This would help to expand their role as Public Works and be more

cost effective for Metro Parks.

- Basketball goals are not back up yet, and play areas are not open for the public. The Health Department will decide as to when the reopening will take place.
- How it is handled as to which crew takes care of damaged trees or branches down on the golf courses.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Person Fowler adjourned the meeting at 3:49 p.m.