



CITY OF  
**FAYETTEVILLE**  
**ARKANSAS**

100 W. Rock St. Suite 246  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

**Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Advisory  
Board Agenda**

**Rock St. Meeting Room / Virtual Meeting Via Zoom  
Monday, November 3, 2025  
5:30 PM**

**Members**

***Chair Stephen Sheely (Exp: 12/25)***  
***Sky Caldwell (Exp: 12/27)***  
***Elizabeth Cunningham (Exp: 12/26)***  
***Yarri Davis (Exp: 12/27)***  
***Sarah Downing (Exp: 12/25)***  
***Dell Hall (Exp: 12/26)***  
***Hugh Kincaid (Exp: 12/25)***  
***Doug Walsh (Exp: 12/27)***  
***Melissa Zabecki (Exp: 12/26)***

**City Staff**

***Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Director Alison Jumper***  
***Recreation Superintendent Lee Farmer***  
***Park Planning Superintendent Ted Jack***  
***Senior Administration Elizabeth Milton***

## **Zoom Information**

**Webinar ID: 873 2100 9556**

**Registration Link: [https://fayetteville-ar.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_9k--SZmFT4i1vBvixaNRwA](https://fayetteville-ar.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_9k--SZmFT4i1vBvixaNRwA)**

## **Call to Order**

## **Roll Call**

## **Minutes**

**October PNRCAAB Minutes 2025**

## **Reports and Presentations**

**Apple Seeds Report: Brooke LeMasters**

**Active Transportation Advisory Committee: Doug Walsh**

**Botanical Gardens Report: Elizabeth Cunningham**

**Arts Council Report: Sarah Downing**

**Partnership Committee Report: Sarah Downing**

**HMR and Construction Report: Ted Jack**

## **Park Land Dedication**

### **Lierly Lane Subdivision**

Development Name:	Lierly Lane Subdivision
Engineer:	Crafton Tull (B. Murray)
Owner:	Timothy Moore

Location: E of Berseis Dr and N of Mahogany Dr  
Parcel ID Number: 001-16788-000, 001-16811-001  
Park Quadrant: NW  
Development Size: 20.0 ac  
Units: 81 single-family  
Land Dedication Requirement: N/A  
Fee-in-Lieu Requirement: \$88,209  
Nearby Existing Parks: Lierly Lane Park, Salem Park, Gary Hampton Softball Complex, Underwood Park, Clabber Creek Trail Corridor  
  
Developer's Request: Fee-in-Lieu  
Staff Recommendation: Fee-in-Lieu  
Justification: Proximity to existing parks

**PNRCAAB Recommendation:**

**New Business**

**Board Responsibilities: Alison Jumper**

**Tsa La Gi Trail Tunnel Mural: Joanna Bell**

**Announcements**

**Upcoming Programs and Events**

November 4 DJ SQS: Upper Ramble  
November 5 YRCC X-Factor End of Semester Celebration: YRCC  
November 8 Latin Dance: Upper Ramble  
November 8-9 NICA Regional Championships: Centennial Park  
November 11 City Offices Closed  
November 11 Tree Pest and Diseases Class: Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Office  
November 15 Tree Pest and Diseases Class: Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Office  
November 20 YRCC Friendsgiving: YRCC  
November 22 Latin Dance: Upper Ramble  
November 27-28 City Offices Closed

**Next Meeting Date: December 1, 2025**

## Adjournment

### **NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE**

*Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board meetings may be attended in-person or virtually. Community members have the opportunity to address the board at a designated time during the meeting.*

*The audience may attend the meeting via telephone by dialing (Toll Free) 888-475-4499.*

*As a courtesy, please turn off all cell phones and pagers.*



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**Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Rock St. Meeting Room / Virtual Meeting Via Zoom**  
**October 6, 2025**  
**5:30 PM**

**Members**

Chair Stephen Sheely (Exp: 12/25)  
Sky Caldwell (Exp: 12/27)  
Elizabeth Cunningham (Exp: 12/26)  
Yarri Davis (Exp: 12/27)  
Sarah Downing (Exp: 12/25)  
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**City Staff**

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A meeting of the Fayetteville Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board was held on October 6, 2025 at 5:30 PM in Suite 246 of the City Hall Rock Street Annex Building, located at 100 W. Rock Street in Fayetteville, Arkansas..

**Zoom Information**

**Webinar ID: 851 5896 8343**

**Registration Link: [https://fayetteville-ar.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_KjFqMpn-TqGtH2VYI-j0lg](https://fayetteville-ar.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_KjFqMpn-TqGtH2VYI-j0lg)**

### **Call to Order**

Chair Steve Sheely called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

### **Roll Call**

Present: Sheely, Downing, Caldwell, Cunningham, Davis, Hall, Kincaid, Walsh, Zabecki

### **Minutes**

#### **September PNRCAAB Minutes 2025**

Parks, Natural Resources & Cultural Affairs September PNRCAAB Minutes 2025

**Approval of September 2025 PNRCAAB Minutes.** PNRCAAB Motion: 9-0-0 Made by Cunningham, Zabecki to second approval.

Request by the Board for more information to be included in the Meeting Minutes along with a link to the video archive.

**Link to video archive for further reference:** [reflect-fayetteville-ar.cablecast.tv/internetchannel/show/9171?channel=1](https://reflect-fayetteville-ar.cablecast.tv/internetchannel/show/9171?channel=1)

### **Reports and Presentations**

#### **Fayetteville Youth Baseball Report: Michael Ferguson**

Vice President Michael Ferguson to give Fayetteville Youth Baseball highlights and updates from the past year. FYB consists of 21 board members and their mission is to provide a recreational baseball league for the NWA community in fall and spring. The league boasted a record number of players in the spring league at 892, making it their largest season in history so far, and noted that the newer fall league continues to grow yearly. Ferguson made note that more ball fields and batting cages are currently needed to meet demand.

In 2025, FYB assisted financially or was responsible for:

White River capital improvements by FYB: \$56K spent redoing batting cages, replacing sewer line, bull pens, building fences, and safety features.

Mt. Kessler: \$20K was spent on a new HVAC system and was installed in K1 and Concession building, including the equipment and electrical rooms.  
2026 FYB improvement goals/wishlist for Kessler: Turf replacement in heavily used areas. Grass areas behind bleachers need to be replaced by concrete or turf.  
Improved trash system.

**Active Transportation Advisory Committee: Doug Walsh**

Walsh to relay September brought an uptick in accidents between cars and humans, typically seen when UA students return. Passed a recommendation upgrade that scooters in crosswalks be given the same protections as pedestrians and cyclists. Working on a plan to monitor trail usage on a quarterly basis for data purposes, regarding improvement.

**Botanical Gardens Report: Elizabeth Cunningham**

Cunningham to report the Botanical Gardens Twilight Wings Gala is upcoming. A garden designer is needed as current position will be retiring. Looking at bringing advisors to assist in vision and planning moving forward. Winter Glow is currently in planning.

**Arts Council Report: Sarah Downing**

Downing reported a donated dog sculpture outside Jammin' Java will be installed in November. The new YRCC mural is complete. Looking for a date for the opening of the City Hall art show.

**Partnership Committee Report: Sarah Downing**

**HMR and Construction Report: Zach Foster**

Staff to present construction updates. Demolition and deconstruction has begun at Walker Park. Underwood Park grading permit was issued and dirt will begin moving soon. Bryce Davis' dog park plaza was poured in September, and the Wetland pavilion will be completed soon. Pavilions and playground work are slated for Bryce Davis' near future. South Yard Park is 75% complete. Centennial Park trail head signs and kiosks were installed last month. YRCC new mural is complete. Buddy Hayes stream restoration is complete as work on the rest of the park continues. The Bird Blind at Lake Fayetteville is complete. The Memorial Bench Donation Program is live and active again, now digitized where applications are received online. HMR report delivered noting percentage down again from last month.

**Park Land Dedication**

**1020 S School Multi-Family Development**

Development Name: 1020 S School Multi-Family  
 Engineer: DCI (C. Henrichs)  
 Owner: Stevens Properties Fayetteville, LLC  
 Location: NE Of 11Th St And S School Ave  
 Parcel ID Number: 765-05436-000  
 Park Quadrant: SE  
 Development Size: 3.4 Ac  
 Units: 130 Multi-Family  
 Land Dedication Requirement: N/A  
 Fee-In-Lieu Requirement: \$123,760  
 Nearby Existing Parks: Walker Park, Razorback Greenway, South Yard Park, The Ramble, Willow Bend, YRCC, Buddy Hayes Park, Park Meadows, Greathouse Park, World Peace Wetland Prairie, Tsa-La-Gi Bike Park, Town Branch Trail Corridor  
 Developer's Request: Fee-In-Lieu  
 Staff Recommendation: Fee-In-Lieu  
 Justification: Proximity To Existing Parks

1020 S. School Multi-Family Development in the Southeast quadrant is proposed by Tanglewood Branch Creek near Walker Park with a fees-in-lieu of land dedication recommended by staff. **PNRCAAB Recommendation** to accept fee-in-lieu: 9-0-0. Davis to motion, Kincaid to second.

**New Business**

**Proposed Little Free Library at Red Oak Park: Zach Foster**

Proposed new Little Free Library at Red Oak Park sponsored by Fayetteville Metro Kiwanis. Staff recommends approval with a request for maintenance to be kept up by Kiwanis.

**PNRCAAB Recommendation 9-0-0.** Kincaid to make the motion, Downing to second.

**Park Impact Fee Update: Alison Jumper**

Director Jumper relayed an update on the Park Impact Fee conversation from the July Meeting and feels like proposing more Park Impact Fees is both justifiable and worth considering. The item will be presented at the Nov. 18 City Council meeting. At the July PNRCAAB meeting, staff's fee proposal was based on 30% of the maximum justifiable fee. Staff now recommends a resolution of intent for fees to be based on 40% of the maximum justifiable fee.

**Land Acquisition Update: Alison Jumper**

Parks wants to show initial interest in local parcels for acquisition and proposed sending letters to landowners.

**Park Land Dedication Funds Update: Alison Jumper**

Park Impact Fee Update:

NW Quadrant — \$694,495.64  
NE Quadrant — \$147,340.54  
SQ Quadrant — \$1,994,592.53  
SE Quadrant — \$16,623.42

Total: \$2,853,051.71

**Proposed Bond Projects: Alison Jumper**

2026 Bond Priorities discussed. Of the \$320,100,000 total proposed, if approved, Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs could receive \$60,000,000 bond dollars toward an Aquatic Recreation Center, and \$19,600,000 for Parks and Recreation. Staff and Board urged community members to show support.

**Announcements**

**Upcoming Programs and Events**

Weekend Starts Run Each Friday In The Lower Ramble Or Upper Ramble From 5 To 7 Pm, Through October 17.

- October 4 Make A Difference Day
- October 4 Right Tree, Right Location Session 1: Parks, Natural Resources And Cultural Affairs Office
- October 7 Right Tree, Right Location Session 2: Parks, Natural Resources And Cultural Affairs Office
- October 7 Archery Basics: Lake Fayetteville
- October 8 Intro To Fishing: Lake Fayetteville
- October 9-11 Phantasma In The Upper Ramble: Upper Ramble
- October 10 YRCC Teen Night: YRCC
- October 11 Celebration Of Trees: Spring Street Garage
- October 11 Square 2 Square: Upper Ramble
- October 14 Fall Coed Volleyball Start: YRCC
- October 18 Lake Sequoyah Clean-Up: Lake Sequoyah
- October 24 Spooky Movie In The Ramble: Upper Ramble
- October 25 Hiking With A Forrester: Kessler Regional Park
- October 25 YRCC Burls Kids Game: University Of Arkansas
- October 29 Beginner Kayaking: Lake Fayetteville

October 30

Intro To Disc Golf: Northshore Disc Golf

October 31

Trick Or Treat On The Trail: Lower Ramble

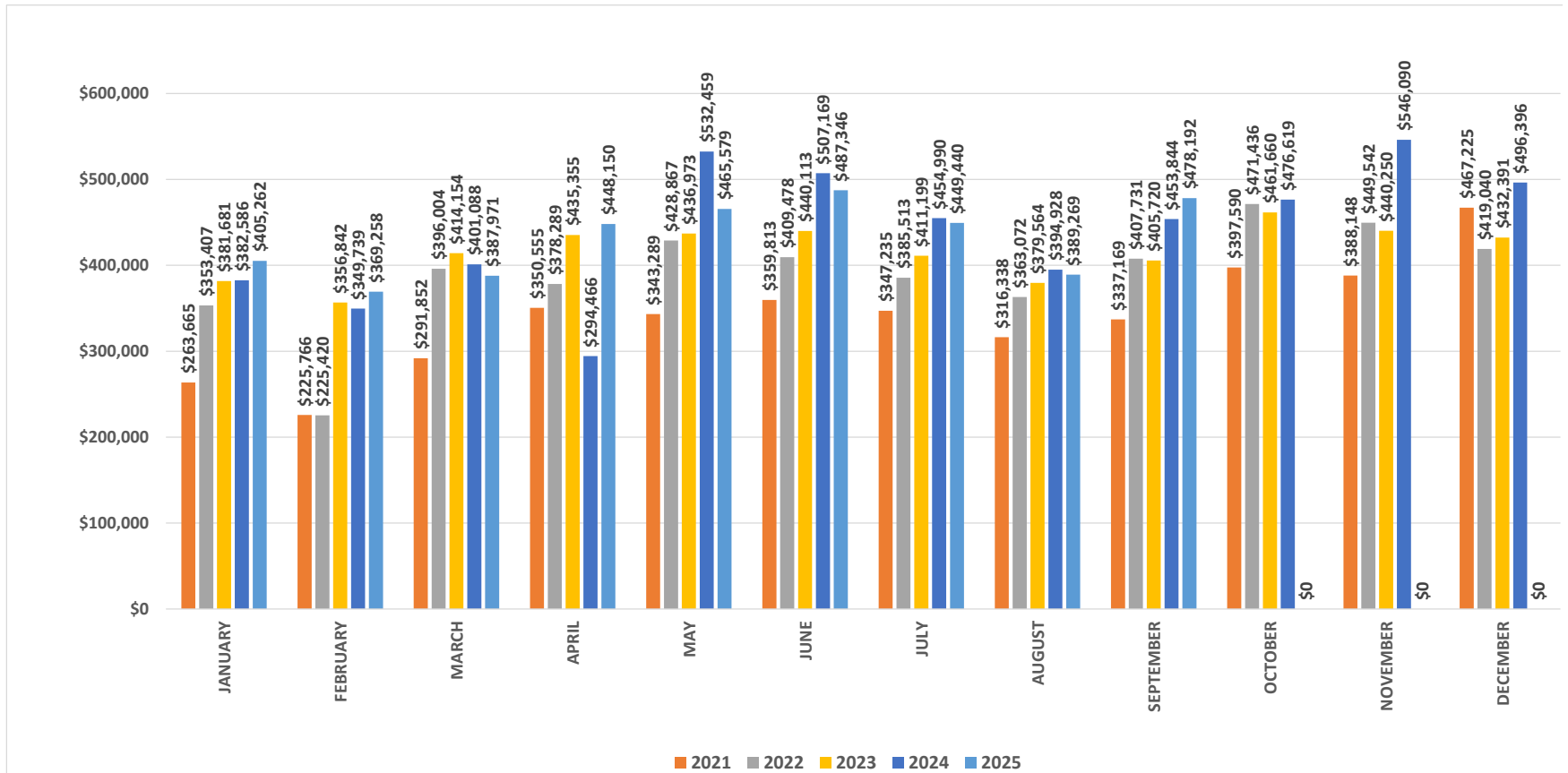
**Next Meeting Date: November 3, 2025**

**Adjournment**

Chair Sheely adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

**Minutes Submitted by:** Elizabeth Milton

### Fayetteville Parks and Recreation HMR Comparison 2021 - 2025



Year to Date Total Comparison	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	\$ 2,835,683	\$ 3,347,781	\$ 3,661,602	\$ 3,771,269	\$ 3,880,467

<b>YTD 2024-2025</b>
<b>2.9%</b>

<b>YTD 2024-2025</b>
<b>\$109,197</b>

## 33.018 - Parks, Natural Resources And Cultural Affairs Advisory Board

(A) *Composition.*

- (1) Nine (9) members shall be appointed by the City Council for terms of three (3) years. Such terms shall be staggered so that three (3) members will be appointed each year.
- (2) All members of the Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board shall serve without compensation.

(B) *Meetings of Advisory Board and Responsibilities.*

- (1) The Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board shall meet monthly with the Director.
- (2) The Advisory Board shall advise and recommend to the Director, Mayor and City Council on all aspects of parks, natural resources and cultural affairs activities.
- (3) The Advisory Board shall coordinate with other boards such as the Urban Forestry Advisory Board and the Fayetteville Arts Council as needed to stay informed on topics related to the Parks, Natural Resources and Cultural Affairs Department.
- (4) Annually, the Advisory Board shall advise on work program priorities.
- (5) The Advisory Board shall also recommend priorities for capital improvements and means for financing same and shall prepare an annual progress report on department activities.

(Ord. No. 6700, §5, 11-7-23)