

**'PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
FOSTER COMMUNITY CENTER  
Wednesday October 8th, 2025**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Dombrowski, Kimberly Whitfield, Nate Scramlin,  
Isaac Francisco, Joan Lenhard, Tirstan Walters, Rayvonne Gilmore

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M. Foster Community Center

I. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Add C to New Business

II. **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

A. **September to\ 2025 - Scramlin moved, Walters seconded, passed unanimously.**

III. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Jones Lake Parcel Donation - A landowner that owns a parcel next to Jones Lake Park that is interested in possibly donating this parcel to be added to Jones Lake Park. **Lenhard moved to accept the parcel, Gilmore seconded, passed unanimously.**

B. Fenner Preschool Playground: The Fenner Conservancy has been working on fundraising and designing a new nature based playscape intended for play by children aged 0-5 near the Fenner Preschool Building. PNC and Capitol Area Community Foundation have given to this project. There will be a 2 week open comment period near the end of October. This is slated to be opened in early Summer 2026. **Walters moved and Scramlin supported a motion to allocate \$43,005.94 of funds from CIP to be distributed to the contractor to begin the construction of this that will be matched by Fenner. Passed unanimously.**

C. Consumers Easement - There is an additional 5 foot onto the current 10 feet of easement for a new high pressure gasline that will run along Mt Hope from Aurelius to 127. This project will not block the entrances to Fenner or Evergreen Cemetery. There will be an underground boring so the entire easement will not need to be cleared of trees. There will be some brush that will need to be cut for site lines and a small area for an above ground portion and this will be confirmed with the Department.

IV. **OLD BUSINESS**

5 - Year Plan:

Francisco asked for some small updates to the Goals and Objectives of the 5 year plan under V:Placemaking Objective B to read "Objective B: Increase targeted and environmentally sustainable lighting in and around parks and trails to increase safety for users." And to add an Objective D under V:Placemaking to read "Continue to assess and prioritize maintenance concerns and litter removal in order to provide clean and safe facilities and grounds" **Walters moved, Whitfield seconded these updates, passed unanimously.**

Scramlin asked to have the images labeled on the 5 Year Plan if the Department is able. **Scramlin moved to add labels to the images if possible, Whitfield seconded, passed unanimously**

**Lenhard moved to approve the City of Lansing Parks and Recreation 5 Year Master Plan as amended, Gilmore seconded, passed unanimously**

V. **UPDATES**

Park Board Members - 2 nomination renewals and 1 for the vacancy are sent to committee of the city council.

Bubble Barrier at Play Michigan October 21<sup>st</sup>, @ 11:00am - 12:00pm - A press conference will be hosted by EGLE

Playground Equipment Proposal -Ferris Park-An MEDC match grant has been received to construct new equipment at Ferris Park.

Fish Ladder Music Park will have a ribbon cutting on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5PM.

The DNR will be helping with a deer cull in late 2026. Public inquiries and input about the deer cull can be made by reaching out to 311.

The department will be interviewing for Community Center Programming.

#### VI. CORRESPONDENCE

Loretta Stanaway -Annual Fall Walking Tour on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### VII. INFORMATION

#### VIII. REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Kimberly Whitfield asked the director about a litter issue in Debbie Stabenaw Park. The director confirmed that there is a maintenance storage area that will be screened off and will be improved.

Nate Scramlin met with representatives of DLI about fundraising for the fountain renovation and a possibility of a dog park going into Reuter Park and encouraged them to reach out to the Director.

#### IX. STATEMENTS OF CITIZENS

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Closed at 8:02

**PARK BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
FOSTER COMMUNITY CENTER  
Wednesday November 12th, 2025**

BOARD MEMBERS: Mike Dombrowski, Kimberly Whitfield, Nate Scramlin,  
Isaac Francisco, Joan Lenhard, Tirstan Walters, Rayvonne Gilmore,  
Christopher Greene-Szmadzinski

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I. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

II. **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

A. **October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

III. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. New Park Board Member
- B. Kircher Park Memorial Request
- C. Fenner Preschool Playground and Hunter Park Playground
- D. Ranney Park Additional Lighting
- E. BWL Wentworth Park Steam Conversion

IV. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. 5 - Year Plan

V. **UPDATES**

- 1. Park Foundation
- 2. Jones Lake Property
- 3. Waverly Property
- 4. Frances Park Shoreline Project
- 5. Bubble Barrier
- 6. Consumers Easement
- 7. Reutter Park Fountain

VI. **CORRESPONDENCE**

13<sup>th</sup> Annual Race to Restore - 5k at Mt. Hope Cemetery - October 18<sup>th</sup>@ 10am

VII. **INFORMATION**

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**TO:** See distribution  
**FROM:** Brett Kaschinske  
**DATE:** January 2, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** Updated Park Board Member list

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	Ravynne Gilmore 726 Stanley Lansing, MI 48915	734-837-5866 <a href="mailto:ravynneg@gmail.com">ravynneg@gmail.com</a>	Term Expires 6/30/27 Council Action 7/24/23 Resolution 2023-172
	Joan Lenhard 2511 Alpha St Lansing, MI 48910	517-898-8068 <a href="mailto:JoanLenhardTRConsultant@gmail.com">JoanLenhardTRConsultant@gmail.com</a>	Term Expires 6/30/26 Council Action 7/25/2022 Resolution 2022-196

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Andy Schor, Mayor

## City of Lansing Parks and Recreation Policy for Reviewing Requests for Naming, Renaming and Memorials

### Guidelines for:

- Naming or Renaming Parks
- Naming or Renaming Areas in Parks and Facilities in Parks
- Memorials and Dedications in Parks and on Park Structures and Facilities

### The Policy

City of Lansing Parks and Department facilities are generally named for a geographic area or a natural historic feature, but, as appropriate, Parks and Department facilities may be named to reflect significant historic, material, or financial contributions to the City, or persons of historic or outstanding civic service. Markers may be placed in parks and on recreational facilities honoring or memorializing individuals and organizations.

### Procedure for Requesting Permission

Anyone wishing to name or rename a Park or Department Facility, or erect a memorial in a Park or within a Department Facility, must submit his or her request in writing to the Director with a sufficient explanation of the proposal to enable the Director to make a determination that the naming or memorial is justified and recommend the request to the Lansing Park Board. The factors to be taken into consideration by the Director will include, but not limited to the following:

1. The reason for the naming or renaming or erection of a memorial;
2. The contribution or other factors for which the person is being memorialized, or the Park or facility named;
3. Whether and to what extent the Facility or Park has been financed by the person being honored or by the persons wishing to honor him/her;
4. Whether or not the person has cleared a criminal background check;
5. Whether and to what extent the appropriate and/or impacted communities support the proposal; and
6. Any other factors, which would support the request.

### Naming/Renaming

1. The Director and Park Board's considerations regarding the naming or renaming of parks, and naming or renaming areas and Department facilities, shall be guided by the following considerations:
  - o Recognized geographic names
  - o Natural Historic Features
  - o Significant Historic Contributions
  - o Significant Material Contributions
  - o Significant Financial Contributions
  - o Persons of Historic Service to the City of Lansing
  - o Persons of outstanding civic service to the City
  - o Documented community support
  - o Documented criminal background check/clearance
  - o All costs associated with the proposed naming or renaming, such as planning, design, construction, utilities, and maintenance shall be the sole responsibility of the person(s) or organization(s) requesting the memorial or dedication. Full funding for the proposed naming or renaming shall be paid to the Department of Recreation, prior to the start of planning, design, and construction.

## **Naming/Renaming** (continued)

2. If the naming request meets the required criteria, the requesting person(s) or organization(s) must present the request to the Park Board (The Board).
3. The Board reviews the request, votes and makes a recommendation.
4. If approved by the Board, the Director shall proceed to submit the Naming, Renaming request to the Memorial Review Board for action.

## **Memorials/Dedications**

Memorials or dedications may consist of structures, such as buildings, or facilities, such as athletic fields, that may be named in memory of individuals and organizations as completed entities, or memorial or dedication plaques or signs on or inside structures and facilities.

1. The Director and Park Board's considerations regarding memorializing or dedicating parks, park area and recreational facilities, shall be guided by the following considerations:
  - o The location, design, and configuration of a proposed memorial or dedication shall be in keeping with the park purpose and usage and shall not interfere with public use of the park or recreational facility.
  - o The proximity to planned and/or existing memorials.
  - o City of Lansing Department of Recreation and Parks and City of Lansing grounds staff may participate in the planning and placement of a memorial or dedication, if relevant.
  - o Documented evidence of community support must be included with the request for memorializing or dedicating parks, park area and recreational facilities.
  - o All costs associated with the proposed memorial or dedication, planning, design, construction, utilities, and maintenance shall be the sole responsibility of the person(s) or organization(s) requesting the memorial or dedication. Full funding for the memorial or dedication shall be paid to the Department of Recreation and Parks, prior to the start of planning, design, and construction.
  - o A criminal background check has been supplied by the requesting person(s) or organization(s).
  - o An escrow account must be established with the Department of Recreation and Parks to ensure the person(s), organization, and/or entity requesting the memorial or dedication of a park, park area and/or recreational facilities has the capability to perform routine maintenance of the memorial, park area, or recreational facility for the next 10 years.
  - o The cost of maintenance to be put in the escrow account for the 10 year period shall be mutually agreed upon by the Requestor and the Director of Recreation and Parks.
  - o In all cases involving memorials or dedications, only the memorial or dedication itself may be named. The park name shall remain unchanged.
2. If the memorial or dedication request meets the required criteria, the requesting person(s) or organization(s) must present the request to the Parks Board (The Board).
3. The Board reviews the request, votes and makes a recommendation.
4. If approved, the Department shall proceed to authorize the memorial/dedication.



Andy Schor, Mayor

## APPLICATION FOR REVIEWING REQUESTS FOR NAMING, RENAMING AND MEMORIALS IN LANSING'S MUNICIPAL PARKS

### 1. NOMINATING INDIVIDUAL/GROUP

Name Kaitlin Parker\_(Nominating plaque for Thomas Parker)\_ Date: 10/8/2025 \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: Kaitlin Parker.....

Address: 3103 Greenoak Ave.....

City: Lansing\_ State: MI\_ Zip 48906.....

Home/Cell Phone Number: (517) 648-1403 Work Phone Number:(\_) .....

E-mail: KMP2213@gmail.com

### 2. MEMORIAL SITE OR OBJECT

What is the proposed park/facility/site or object? Kircher Municipal (baseball field) - inside within the rocks on the right side (other dedications are on the left)

(Park, Park Bench, Community Room, Playground, etc)

Where is the proposed location? Kircher Municipal - inside baseball entrance within rocks area

Is the site or object currently named? Yes  No

If yes, what is the current name? .....

Will the memorial site or object involve a name changed of an existing named object or site?

Yes  No

If yes, Please specify how you wish the memorial to be named (i.e. "The John Doe Memorial Parkway"):

What is the vision for the proposed memorial? A simple plaque in dedication of my Father Tom Parker, who we lost tragically on 8/14/25. Plaque could be on some sort of stand or rock like the other plaques that are there today: plaque would also represent baseball.

This request is due to my Dads history at Municipal baseball field. He played (Everett, then men's leagues) and coached on that field from 1970s - 2000s at the age of nearly 60. (he was exceptional, making the MSU team and falling short of an MLB offer only due to his age of 21 at that time, contract was for 19 and under). One of his teams there won the Roy Hobbs World Series Championship. He loved this field and baseball so much that he told us many times to spread his ashes there. He knows and is loved by an entire community of people who have played on that field.

Projected costs of the proposed memorial: \$ 500-2000 depending on allowed "stand" to secure plaque to

How will the memorial be funded? Parker Family

What is the projected 10 year maintenance cost? I will gladly upkeep it every summer, won't be much to maintain truthfully.

How will this memorial impact residents? Many players, coaches and Lansing residents knew, played ball or were coached by my Father, he was highly respected and left a large positive impact on anyone he encountered. I am sure they'd love to see him honored at the place he loved the most.

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Will this memorial impact business? If yes, how? We'd be happy to coordinate/host an annual baseball game in memory of, for the community/ former & current players and young adult baseball players to bring attention and love to the game of baseball and 'Muni' field.

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What is the anticipated opposition, if any, to the proposed memorial? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please identify two alternative memorials that would be acceptable to you: \_\_\_\_\_

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### 3. HONOREE INFORMATION

Name: Thomas Parker

Please provide in fewer than 500 words, how this individual has made major contributions to the Department of Parks and Recreation and/or public/community services to the City of Lansing.

Tom did not specifically give "major" contributions to Parks and Rec nor did he work for the city itself. I understand that is desired, please consider this request due to his years spent playing and loving Kircher Municipal field. Tom lived, worked in and impacted the Lansing community his entire life. He gave a chance to many young adults and children who otherwise wouldn't have had them. A small example is when he managed 10+ QD stores he would give his own money to an employee to get to work on the bus, so they could earn a paycheck to provide their own transportation etc.. he developed amazing baseball players who played on that very field amongst being an incredible man who left a mark on everyone he encountered.

There is nowhere he would rather be honored.

### 4. FINANCIAL DONATIONS

Total amount of donations for memorial site or object: so far \$300 but we have the funds independent of that.

The City of Lansing reserves the right to reject a proposal if the financial contribution is not commensurate with the magnitude of the gift.

The City of Lansing also may require from the nominating individual or group that an endowment fund be established to maintain the memorial in perpetuity. The endowment must be set at a level sufficient to cover all maintenance costs.

**Please return completed form to:**

Lansing Parks and Recreation Department  
c/o Brett Kaschinske, Director  
200 N. Foster Avenue  
Lansing, MI 48912

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:** Date received by Parks and Recreation Department: \_\_\_\_\_

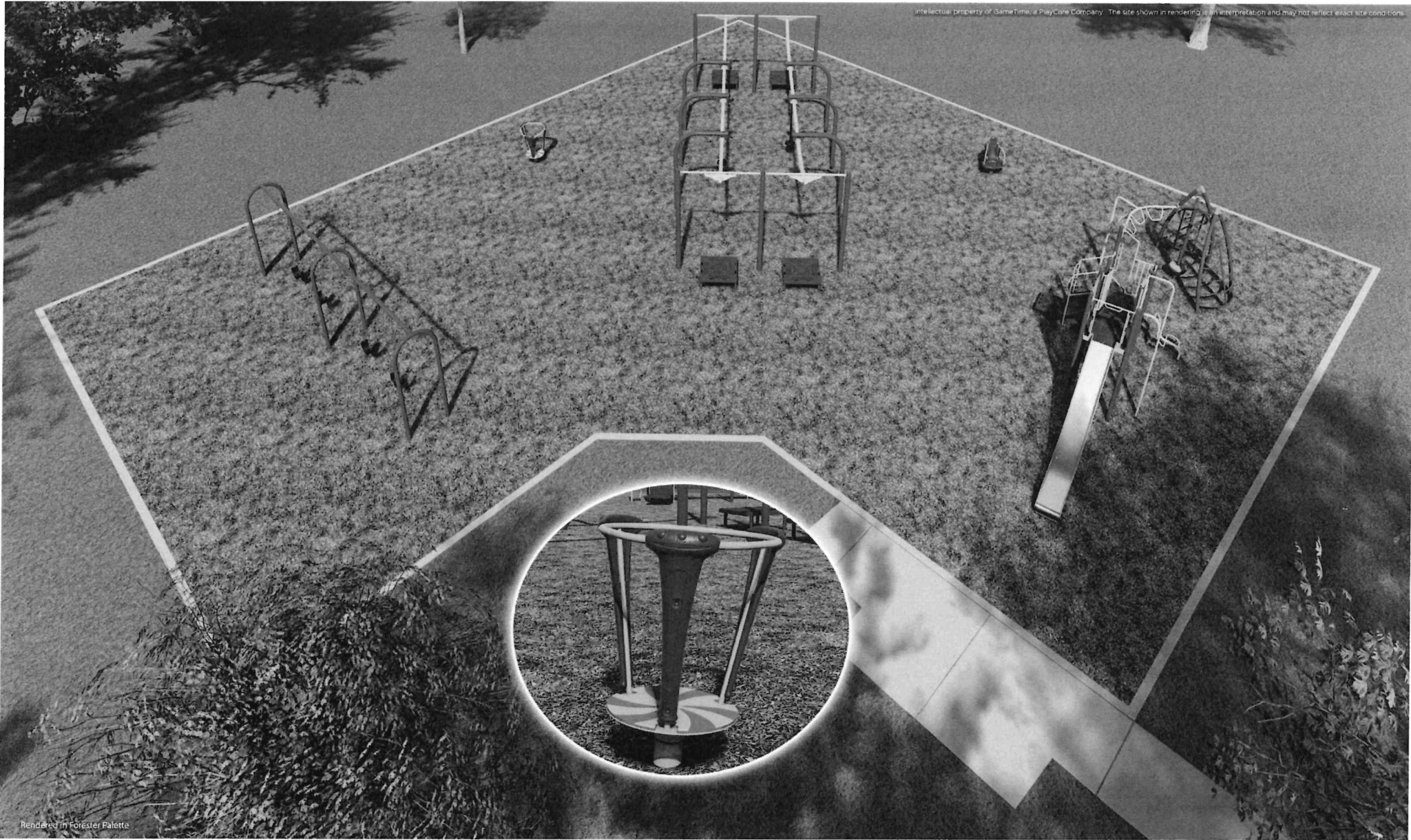
Date referred to the Park Board:

Date referred to the Mayor:

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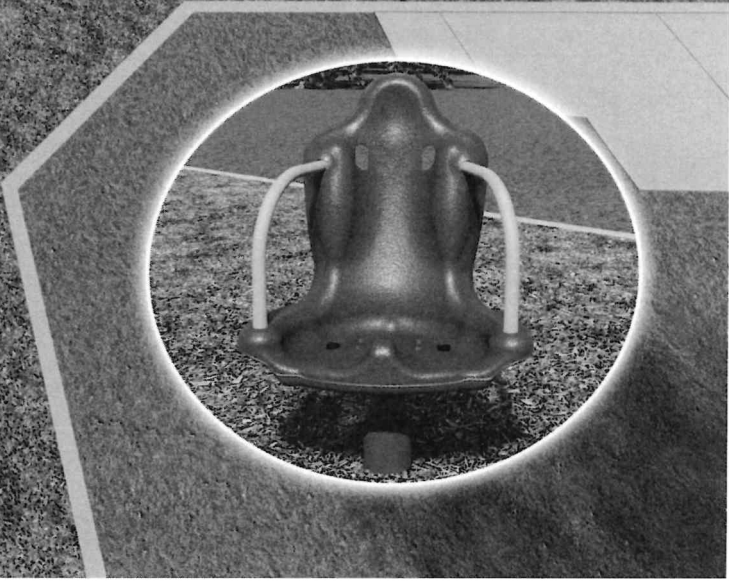
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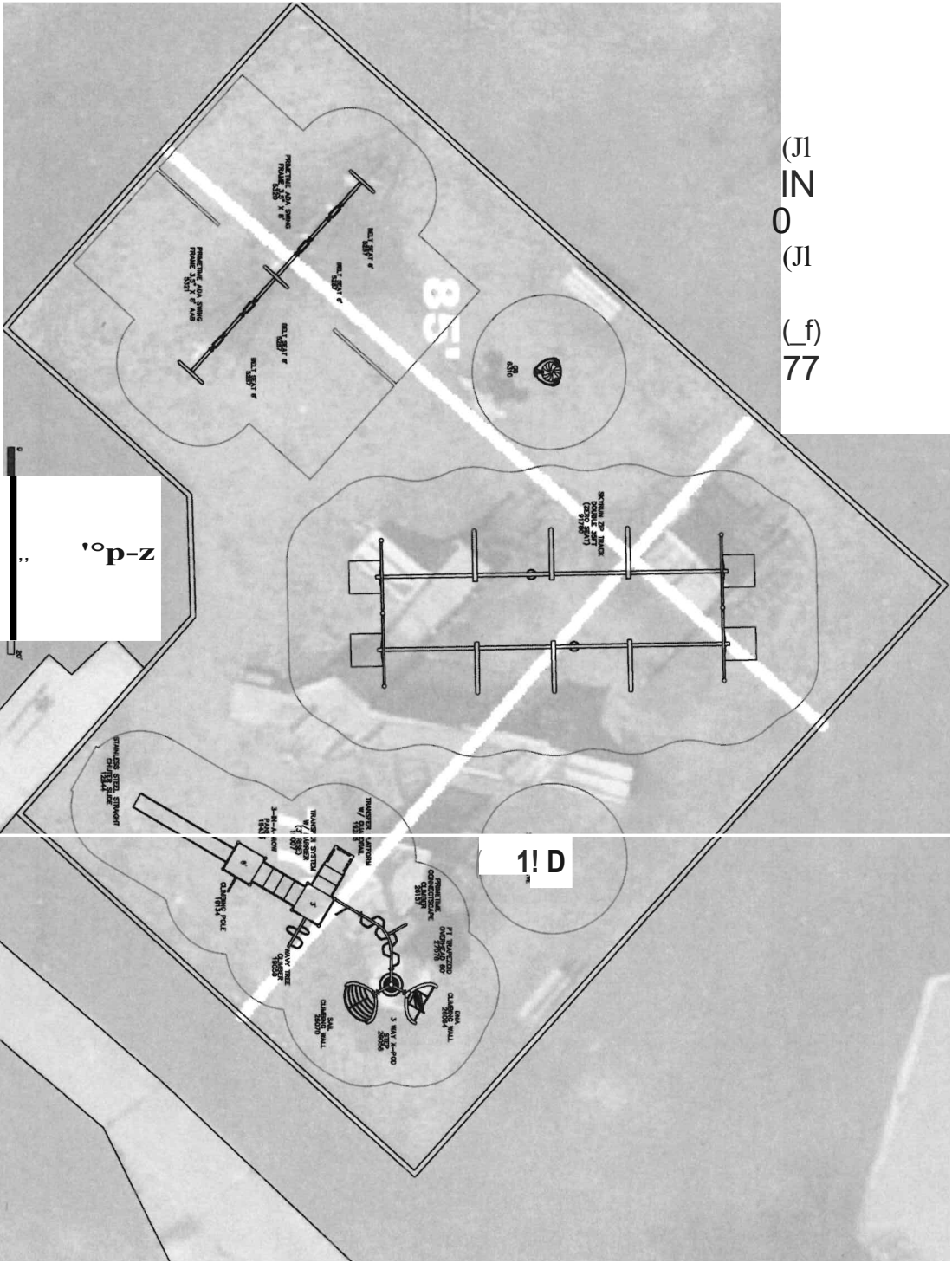


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**RECREATION**  
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PROJECT TITLE

Lansing - City of Lansing - Hunter Park Playground  
Option 3  
Lansing, MI

Sinclair Recreation

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DRAWN BY:  
JBS

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SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE  
SINCLAIR RECREATION  
10/22/2025





APLAYCORE C.o.,pan.,

GameTime c/o Sinclair Recreation
176 E Lakewood Blvd
Holland, MI 49424
Ph: 800-444-4954
Fax: 616-392-8634

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City of Lansing - Hunter Park Playground - Option 3

City of Lansing
Attn: Brett Kaschinske
Parks & Recreation, 124 West Michigan Avenue
Lansing, MI 48933
United States
Phone: 517-483-4307
brett.kaschinske@lansingmi.gov

Ship to Zip 48933

Table with 5 columns: Quantity, Part#, Description, Unit Price, Amount. It lists various playground equipment items such as 'GT-Impax - Supply and install of Engineered Wood Fiber', 'Excavation', 'GameTime - SkyRun Zip Track 35 - Zero-G Dbl', and 'GameTime - Custom Game Time 2 Bay Swing'.





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Table with 2 columns: Unit Price, Amount. Rows include Grant (\$22,179.11), Material Surcharge (\$2,307.70), Freight (\$5,168.92), and Total (\$122,685.97).

Comments

Matching Grant Funds are available until November 15th, 2025 at 12PM EST or until Grant funds are no longer available. Approved grant application is required. To receive full grant funding, a check of \$61,523.07 must be received at the time o\_f order.

This quotation is subject to policies in the current GameTime Playground Catalog and the following terms and conditions. Our quotation is based on shipment of all items at one time to a single destination, unless noted, and changes are subject to price adjustment. Purchases to be supported by your written purchase order made out to GAMETIME C/O SINCLAIR RECREATION. A 2.5% PROCESSING FEE WILL BE ADDED TO ALL ORDERS PAID VIA CREDIT CARD.

Pricing: f.o.b. factory, firm for 30 days from date of quotation unless otherwise noted on quotation. Sales tax will be added at time of invoicing unless a tax exemption certificate is provided at time of order entry.

Payment terms: Net 30 days for tax supported governmental agencies. A 1.5% per month finance charge will be imposed on all past due accounts. Equipment shall be invoiced separately from other services and shall be payable in advance of those services and project completion. Retainage not accepted.

Shipment: Order shall ship within 6-8 weeks after GameTime's receipt and acceptance of your purchase order, color selections, approved submittals, and receipt of deposit, if required.

Installation: Shall be by a Certified GameTime Installer. Customer shall be responsible for scheduling coordination and site preparation. Site should be level and permit installation equipment access. Purchaser shall be responsible for unknown conditions such as buried utilities, tree stumps, bedrock or any concealed materials or conditions that may result in additional labor or material costs. Payment terms for installation is Net 10 Days.

NOTE: PRICING DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY DAVIS BACON OR PREVAILING WAGE RATES UNLESS SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED ABOVE IN QUOTE. THERE WILL BE A BACKCHARGE FOR THE INSTALLATION TO BE DONE THROUGH FELT, PEASTONE, SURFACING, OR WOODCHIPS, UNLESS SPECIFICALLY LISTED IN ABOVE QUOTE.

Submittals: Our design proposal reflects the spirit and intent of the project plans and specifications. While some variations may exist between our quotation and the project design, the differences do not materially affect the intended use. GameTime designs and specifications are unique and not intended to be identical in all respects to other manufacturers. We shall submit for review and approval by the owner's representative detailed drawings depicting the equipment to be furnished accompanied by specifications describing materials. Once approved, these drawings and specifications shall constitute the final documents for the project and shall take precedence over all other requirements.

Exclusions: Unless specifically included, this quotation excludes all site work and landscaping; removal of existing equipment; acceptance of equipment and off-loading; storage of goods prior to installation; equipment assembly and installation; safety surfacing; borders, drainage provisions, or any local/municipal/state/federal permits or paperwork that may be required.





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 176 E Lakewood Blvd  
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 Ph: 800-444-4954  
 Fax: 616-392-8634

10/31/2025  
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## City of Lansing - Hunter Park Playground - Option 3

**Acceptance of quotation:**

Accepted By (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. No: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make P.O.s out to GameTime C/O Sinclair Recreation**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Amount: \$122,685.97

**REQUIRED ORDER INFORMATION:**

Bill To: \_\_\_\_\_

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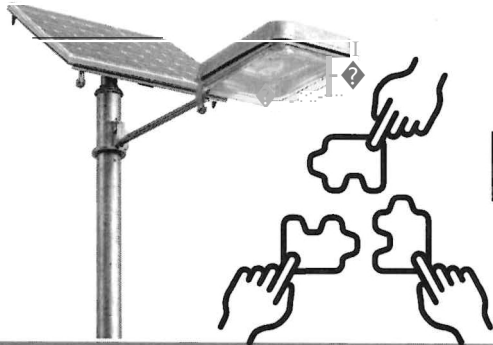
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SALES TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE#: \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF CERTIFICATE)

NOTE: IF INSTALLATION IS BEING QUOTED, THERE WILL BE A BACKCHARGE FOR THE INSTALLATION TO BE DONE THROUGH FELT, PEASTONE, SURFACING, OR WOODCHIPS. PRICING VALID FOR 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF QUOTATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. ANY MODIFICATIONS TO AN ACCEPTED QUOTATION MUST BE DOCUMENTED IN WRITING OR WITH A NEW OR SEPARATE QUOTE. VERBAL MODIFICATIONS TO PREVIOUSLY SIGNED QUOTES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Quote prepared by: Jackson Sinclair





# Ranney Park Lighting Initiative

"building up public *night spaces* beyond bars and restaurants"

## Need for Lighting

There are three main reason for lighting the park: **1)** To gain lost usage hours after sunset **2)** integrate the south and north end of the park, and **3)** bring a state of the art urban park to Lansing embracing community bridging and usage encouragement-that directly benefits the mental and physical well-being of residents.

Starting from late august the park loses people activity for about an hour and half due to the lack of lighting in the park. Skaters (including mother, custodians, and many others) have complain for years that they have to leave the park early as the sun goes down. By mid October the park loses a little over 3 hours for skaters.

## Investment's Incentives

- Light resonance with cascade's lights.
- Increases park activity, positively impacting the health well-being of the people. Physical movement and exercise is one of the main preventative recommendation for public health issues ( as the CDC and HDI claim).
- Honor cultural heritage to Frandor's Hill.
- Park usage accessibility for people who can only make it to the park by sunset.
- Solar-powered lighting to pioneer renewable energy public space infrastructure.
- Connect the city walking-pathways (on Michigan ave. and Saginaw) for commuter.
- Beautify the east side of the city facing East Lansing.

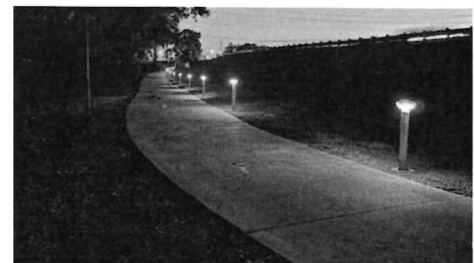


1/iew from the top of 'Frandor's hill'



Solar-powered bollards

byA 



## IMPLEMENTATION FACTORS

- Identify solar-solution organization to work with.
- 10 20ft-long light fixtures for sport courts, and about 110 short-bollard lights are estimated to be needed.
- Engage park users/community to participate in arrangement of lights throughout the park
- City government funding or Park and Rec. De for funding project.
- decide night-light limit (10:30pm, 11pm, midnight?)

## PARK SURVEY RESULTS:

A OR code was posted throughout the park in which 75 people have responded at different times. The results indicate that people usually come to the park between 6-9pm with 63% rate compare to the second highest rate at 52% between 4-7pm and followed by 43% between 7-10pm. And a surprising shift from the hours of 4-7pm (44%) and 7-10pm (52%) was seen with the question for their preferred time to come to the park Also. 85% of respondents indicated that they'd come or saty in the park from 8-10pm if the park had lights, and 65% Indicated that their likelihood of using the park more often would increase if the park had lights

## Petition Letter - Lighting up Ranney Park

Dear City Council Members,

I am Diego Morales, and I'm writing on behalf of a Ranney park community coalition, residing in Lansing, about an accessibility issue many of us face at late evening or early nights at Ranney park. Namely, the lack of lighting at the sport courts and walkways of the park. We have come together to investigate the feasibility of bringing lighting fixtures to the park which we would like to have in the park. Our concerns started after we took seriously our own complaining about having to leave the park as soon as the sun was down. It has, then, been a mystery why the skate park and other sport courts don't have night-lighting, even though the park closes explicitly at 10pm all the way to November 15th. Thus, we're losing park usage time, as well as the opportunity to foster early night-life third spaces (as opposed to the pervasive third space of restaurants and bars; third spaces being the space people inhabit besides their home and work-space).

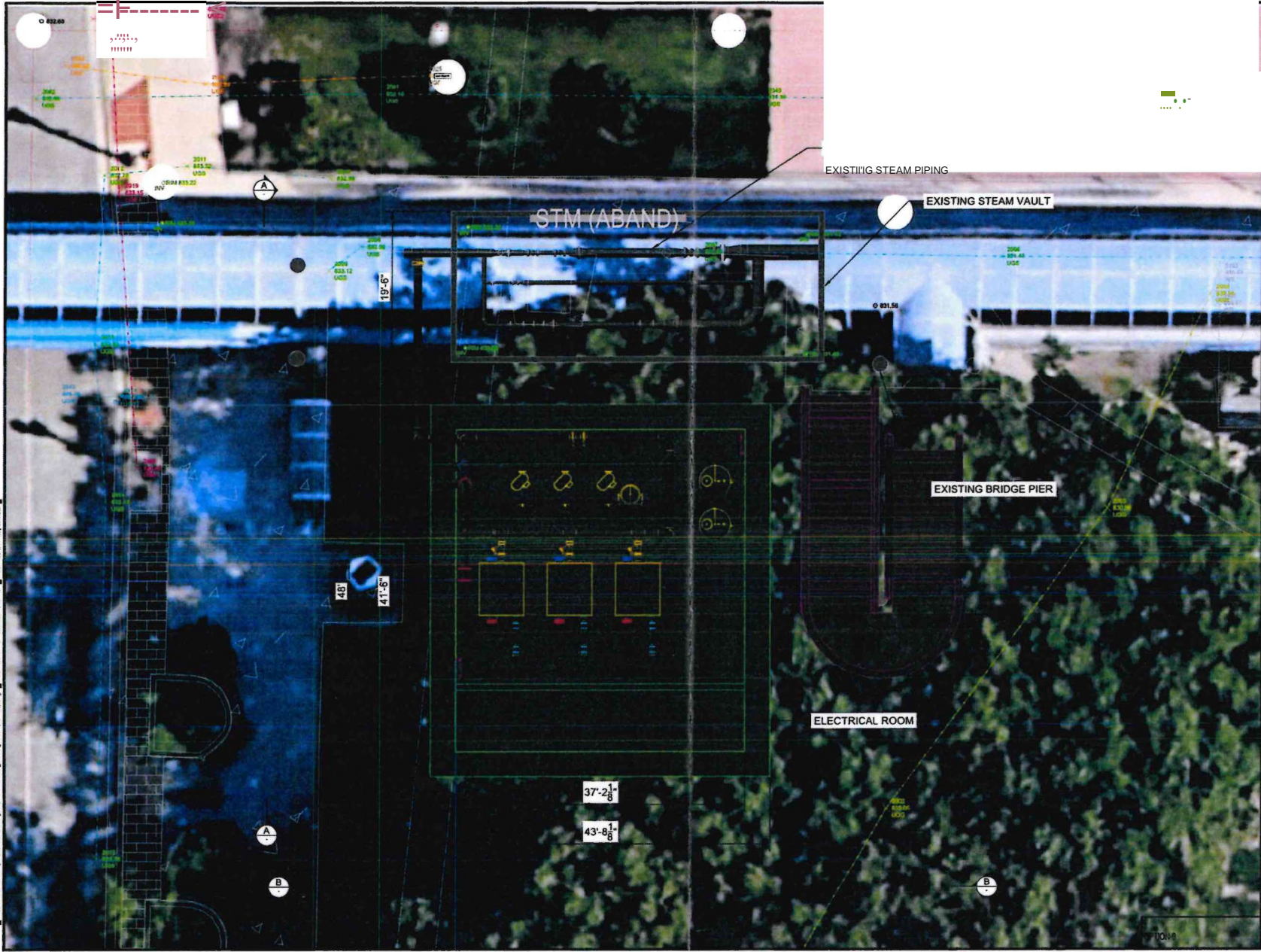
We also want to bring to your attention-the public announcement and encouragement that the Lansing's park department director, Brett Kaschinske, stated early this year in an interview with WILX about addressing and prioritizing locals' suggestions to what they think it's needed and would like to be implemented in their public parks. He said that local input was a strategic component of their 5-year cycle parks' investment plan-in which a new cycle happens to start this year.

We have made a community-based project identifying the needs, challenges, and opportunities of lighting up the sport courts and walkways of Ranney park. The following are some of the **needs** for lighting, 1) most people work the '9-5 schedule', 2) an illuminated space brings a sense of safety, welcoming and attraction for people, 3) increase of outdoor physical mobility and exercise is of utmost importance for catalysing prevention measures of public health issues-as emphasized by the CDC and NHI.

The **challenges** we identified are so significant that it made the project look naive. But as it is our duty to take ownership of our citizenship and public space, we nonetheless persevered. The first and greatest challenge is the history of non-night-lighting in public urban parks in Lansing. Second, the fear of homeless people taking over. Third, fear of night crime. And fourth, if the lighting project would follow, the possibility of involving community stakeholders with the park's department and developers in the design of lighting in the park. The **Opportunities** include, but are not limited to, Solar-powered public space lighting stewardship, pioneering of night-lighting public parks which would add to the third space mentioned above, and sense of place and belonging and community, park becomes an integrated whole through its lighting, and it would honor the historical and cultural heritage of the Frandor's Hill in the middle of the park.

This petition has gathered \_\_ signatures. And our project's survey received \_\_ responses. We hope we can go over the on-page project presentation which will include possible developers of solar-power lighting solutions. We ask of you to bring future directions in regards to the objective of this project. Thank you for representing us.





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PRELIMINARY

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 THREE SINGLE-PHASE SKIDS WITH  
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