



Parks, Recreation and Arts Citizens Advisory Committee

January 14, 2026 6 p.m.

City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Parkway West, Room 102-103

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER by Charlie Foxman at 6p.m.
2. ROLL CALL – Wayne Dunker, Kari Johnson, Mary Ann Mastorakos, Merrell Hansen, John Sivill, Matthew Juergens, Laura Schellenberg, Charlie Foxman, Rob Kilo, Shaul Ganel, Janet Baldwin, Eileen Sellers, Susie Fine, Elmer Weis, Mark Ivancic
3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING RESULTS
 - a. October 8, 2025 Minutes – Approved by Charlie Foxman, 2nd by Rob Kilo
 - Committee photo was taken for upcoming volunteer dinner in March 2026
4. DEPARTMENT UPDATES
 - a. 2025 Parks Year End Report
 - Wayne reviewed the list of 2025 PRACAC accomplishments. Full list is on the website
 - b. Aquatic Center Replacement Update
 - Wayne Dunker sent links to survey results to the Committee recently. Possible town hall meetings starting in February. Invites will be sent. Currently reviewing 3 options with a 4th option in development.
 - c. Central Park Forestry Management Update
 - New areas will be completed this year
 - All Pear Trees in Central Park to be removed (currently working on section closest to the YMCA)
 - The City will apply for some free trees from Forest ReLeaf for spring planting
 - Native seeds will be planted this coming fall, as they need a freeze cycle to germinate properly
 - Elmer Weis asked where the evergreen tree went that was in Central Park's Circle Drive. Wayne responded it was moved near the East Pavilion in Central Park in preparation for the Synergism art piece to be placed in the circle.
 - d. 250th Celebration Update
 - Kari Johnson shared the USA 250th anniversary will be celebrated in Chesterfield. New 250th City logo is in process and Kari showed some draft visuals of Chesterfield Parkway street pole banners for the celebration. A lot of work has been put into the banners by City staff and Council. There will be 250 honor flags available for sponsorship with placards at \$50 each. Will need volunteers for installing flags on June 11th. Veterans Place Drive will have street pole banners for sponsorship with photo, name, rank, etc. of veterans.
 - July 4th celebration will have B52 bomber flyover and additional amenities along with the fireworks. This will be at CVAC in the main lot. Currently

considering the options for parking/shuttles

- Friday, August 14th is Toby Keith tribute band. Followed by a drone show of patriotic designs.
- There will be additional programs/events/displays happening as part of the 250th celebration throughout most of the year.
- Shaul Ganel asked if we can receive a copy of the presentation list of events for the 250th celebration. Kari said she will send it to the Committee as more details are available.

e. Monarch Levee Trail Expansion Update

- Wayne showed the portion of Monarch Levee Trail expansion that should be finished and open in Spring 2026
- Elmer Weis asked what will happen when the North Outer Road is built. Councilmember Mary Ann Mastorakos said there is currently no funding for this project, but it is in the planning stage.

f. New Trails at Rivers Edge Update

- Wayne showed Gateway Off Road Cyclist's (GORC) conceptual plan for riding/walking trails that are going in at Rivers Edge Park. Currently adding 2.5 miles of trail to River's Edge for a total of 4.1 miles. This will be a complete loop around the park – can be used by bikers and walkers. Wayne noted GORC has been great to work with.

g. Community Garden Expansion Update

- 34 plots have been added to the community garden at Eberwein Park for a total of 87 plots. Still have names on the waiting list.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS – Wayne will gather info on PRACAC elections to share at next meeting

7. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT Councilmember Mary Ann Mastorakos said no report. Councilmember Merrell Hansen mentioned it would be great to help spread the news about the upcoming town hall meetings in February, regarding the future of the pool.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS (2 minutes per person)

- Rob Kilo spoke about Sculpture on the Move voting process for PRACAC. He feels the in-person process, as done in most years in the past, encourages discussion amongst members. Rob proposed using the February PRACAC meeting for Sculpture on the Move discussion/voting if the timing works.
- Rob Kilo asked for status of \$25M allocated for a parking garage at Wildhorse Village. Per Councilmember Hansen, this is still in conversations.
- Rob Kilo asked about the TSG's 3 acres and Grand Entry to Central Park. Per Councilmembers Mastorakos and Hansen, Council has passed this and Staenberg added \$300K to be used toward the expenses of this project
- Rob Kilo mentioned St. Louis County Library in Chesterfield is closing on Jan. 31st for renovations
- Rob Kilo talked about the continuing issue of the geese issue at Central Park. He asked for thoughts on adding permanent signage prohibiting feeding geese. Wayne knows of nice informational signs with pictures for Do Not Feed the Geese. Susie suggested adding Don't Feed the Geese info to the Chesterfield newsletter.

9. ADJOURNMENT at 7:05pm by Charlie Foxman

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING; February 11, 2026

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