

CANCELLED AGENDA 02/02/2024



GREELEY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024 -- 7:00am

Location: Greeley Recreation Center Room 101C

For virtual attendance: [Hybrid option](#)

Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Input
5. Board Member Committee Reports: Art Commission
6. Staff Reports
7. Old Business
 - A.
 - B.
8. New Business
 - A.
9. Upcoming Agendas
10. Next Meeting Set – Tentatively Friday, March 1, 2024
11. Adjournment

Board members unable to join this meeting, please notify
Vicente Vega-Ruiz (Chair) at: vega21vicente@gmail.com

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

STAFF REPORTS – February 2, 2024

[Diana Frick – Interim Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation](#)

[Benjamin Alexander – Business Manager](#)

[Eric Bloomer – Parks Superintendent](#)

Parks:

- Due to the cold snap of weather we had in mid-January the playground installation at Sanborn Park is behind by about two weeks. The contractor should get started in early to mid-February.
- The JB Jones playground replacement is on schedule to ship February 27th and work will start shortly afterwards.
- Staff are starting work with the Communications and Engagement Department to put together the outreach plan for the replacement of the playground at Twin Rivers Park this year.
- Staff are working with a real estate firm to finalize the purchase of the property next to Balsam Park for a future parking lot, the home adjacent to Swanson Kiwanis for a park expansion, and a piece of property west of the new Redtail Park for a future dog park and trail connection.
- Staff are working on lake shore cleanups at Allen Park and Promontory Parks and will assess others as weather allows.
- Finalizing a plan and design to install an ADA fishing dock at Sanborn Park. The goal is to have the dock installed by the end of spring.

Forestry:

- Staff are working on the final touches for the annual Tree Care Workshop hosted by the Forestry Operations of the Parks Division. This event brings hundreds of commercial and private tree care professionals to Greeley for a day of training and networking. The event will be in the Island Grove Event Center on February 16th from 7a-2p.
- Staff are continuing to work on a transition plan moving median maintenance to the Public Works Department. The Forestry Manager is working on a business plan for how Forestry will be structured and what areas will be the primary focus moving forward.
- Staff are working on winter pruning projects across the parks system.

Linn Grove Cemetery:

- No updates at this time.

[Daniel Lawrence - Recreation](#)

Aquatics

- Current Programs
 - Swim Lessons – January 8-Feb 3
 - Friday, January 26 – D6 Welco Invite swim meet
 - Wednesday, January 31 – Greeley Fire Department training session
- Upcoming Programs and Events:
 - February 4 – Aquatics Team In-Service Training, Rec Center
 - Swim lessons – February 5-March 2
 - Feb 17-19 – Lifeguard certification class
 - Wednesday, February 21 – Greeley Fire Department training session

Family FunPlex

- Current Programs
 - No current programs running for January.

- Upcoming Programs and Events:
 - February 24th, 9 am - 2:30 pm, Ultimate Babysitter Bootcamp
 - February 27th, 4-8 pm, American Heart Saver First Aid & CPR
 - March 8th, 5-8 pm, Kids Night Out
 - March 23rd, 10 am – 2:30 pm, Family FunPlex & Rodarte Community Center Easter Egg Hunt

Recreation Center

- **Current Programs:**
 - Youth Climbing Classes (5+)
 - Adult Climbing Classes (16+)
 - We Rock (parents & kids) Classes
 - She Rocks (16+)
 - Preschool Play (1+)
 - Included Indoor Soccer (drop-in schedule)
- **Upcoming Programs:**
 - Youth Archery Classes (Back in March)
 - Share the Love (personal training promotion)
 - Youth Athletic Conditioning
 - Line Dancing
 - Survival of the HIITest
 - Jazzercise
- **Events:**
 - Hosting Pro Wrestling 02/17 (Aux Gym)
 - Hosting RMR Volleyball 02/17 and 18 (Main Gym)

Facility Operations/Projects/ Custodial/Updates

- FunPlex Aquatics
 - 80gallon dump bucket installed and operational
 - 1"x1" tiles repaired and replaced
 - New UV light filters installed on all pools filtration systems
 - New isolation and check valve on lazy river pump
 - New controls on the water heat exchange systems that allow for remote monitoring
- Funplex
 - LED light upgrade to pump room
 - Wall fan project in the FFP weight room, cycling room, fit zone and fitness room.
- Rec Center
 - LED light upgrades in main hallways, 201 conference room.
- Shampooed carpets in UCCC and AAC

Rodarte Community Center

- **Current Programs:**
 - 2023-2024 After School Program-
 - Anna Gimmestad Community Center:
 - 2023-50
 - 2024-50-8 kids on wait list.

- Rodarte Community Center:
 - 2023-118
 - 2024-140 2 kids on wait list.
 - Boxing
 - 2023-24 youth and 0 adults
 - 2024-24 youth and 2 adults
 - John Poland is going to the Nationals Boxing tournament January 31-February 4, 2024, in Independence, Missouri.
 - Summer Teen Employment Program-
 - 75 seasonal positions for 14- and 15-year-olds
 - Applications will go live on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 5:00 pm at the Young Adult Job Fair
 - Application deadline of Wednesday, April 10, 2024, by 5:00 pm
 - Employees will work May 28-August 2, 2024

Special Events

- Teen Night Out
 - Date: Friday, February 16, 2024, from 5:00-8:00 pm
- Easter Egg Hunt
 - Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 10:00 am-12:00 pm
- National Youth Service Day Awards
 - Nominations due: Monday, February 22, 2024, by 5:00 pm
 - In person interviews with Youth Commissioner: Monday, March 25, 2024
 - Awards Ceremony: Tuesday, April 16, 2024, 5:00-7:00 pm
- Young Adult Job Fair
 - Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2024, from 5:00-7:00 pm at Island Grove Events Center

Ice Haus

- **Current Programs**
 - Learn to Skate 1/2-2/10
 - Cub 1/14-2/11
 - Into to Adult 1/21-2/11
 - D League 1/7-3/17
 - C league 1/9-3/26
 - Over 35 league 1/11-3/28
- **Upcoming Programs and Events**
 - Try Learn to Skate for Free 2/10
 - Learn to Skate 2/13-3/23
 - Sweetheart Skate 2/14 or 2/17 TBD
 - Cub 2/18-3/24
 - Into to Adult 2/18-3/24
 - Try Hockey for Free 2/24
 - American Girl Doll Skate / Bunny Hop Skate 3/30
 - D League 4/7-6/16
 - C league 4/9-6/25
 - Over 35 league 4/11-6/27

Active Adult Center

- **Programs**
 - Open House - February 20 from 3 to 6 p.m.
 - Cooking Matters- Tuesdays
 - Owl Canvas Painting Class - February 23
 - Woodshop Classes-
 - Intro to Wood Turning - February 16 and February 28
 - Intro to Scroll Saw - February 20
 - Candle Holders - February 12 and 13
 - Owl Canvas Painting Class - February 23
 - Hand Building Clay Mug Class - February 7
 - Writing your Life - Thursdays February 1 to March 28
 - Stories from Colorado History - Thursdays February 1 to March 28
- **Upcoming Senior Trips:**
 - Cafe Athens- February 7
 - Loveland Sweetheart Festival - February 10
 - Eagles Game - February 13
 - CSU Basketball Game - February 17
 - Bingo Planet - February 23
 - Celestial Seasonings Tour - February 28
- **Facility Updates:**
 - Architect coming to look at the building for additional renovations.

Sports and Programs

- **Youth Sports**
 - Spring Sports Registration opens February 5 for all Flag football and soccer leagues, as well as clinics and camps
 - When asked how much of a positive impact our youth coaches had in 2023, families gave our coaches 4.5/5 stars!
- **Adult Sports**
 - Early Bird Registrations Opens Feb. 5th for Softball, Volleyball, Pickleball Spring league, adding an additional night of Pickleball at the Greeley Country Club
 - Currently adult sports that are running are: Basketball, Volleyball (3 nights), In-line Hockey
- **Adaptive Recreation**
 - Special Olympics Basketball has 4 teams this year, two more than previous years. This includes a youth special Olympic team.
 - Offering Adaptive line dancing classes in Partnership with Country Kick-up

Justin Scharton – Natural Areas & Trails

Poudre and Sheep Draw trail counts (Dec 2023)

Location	Month Total	Daily Avg (Month) Trend (prior month)	YTD Daily Avg Trend (prior year)
Sheep Draw @ McCloskey TH (installed May 2018; NEW counter with bike detection installed Aug 2023)	2311	75 ↓13.9%	134 ↓13.1%
Triple Creek Spur @ Mountain Vista TH (re-installed Aug 18, 2020)	1890	61 ↑0.7%	109 ↑9.6%
Poudre Trail @ Island Grove (installed Aug 2020)	1636	53 ↓41.3%	139 ↓9.7
Poudre Trail @ Rover Run (Temp moved May 2020)	2233	72 ↓26.8%	136 ↓25.5%
Poudre Trail @ PLC (installed Aug 2020)	2260	73 ↓21.1%	184 ↓36.3%
Poudre Trail @ Poudre East	3149	138	200

(Kodak TH)		↓34.7%	↓2.7%
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Staffing

- Offer for Tech I vacancy made, waiting for final processing.

Capital Projects

- Poudre River Trail – Duran Section | The RFP for this project should be posted by time of the board meeting.
- Poudre River Trail – Poudre Ponds | The RFP for this project should be posted by time of the board meeting.
- Sheep Draw Trail – 83rd Ave. Underpass | Project is out to bid, with contractor selection in February.
- Small capital projects | New fencing has been installed at Hunter's Cove Natural Area.

Strategic Planning/Policy

- Trail Master Plan | Presented to the Planning Commission and the P&R board in January. Plan will proceed back to Planning Commission for final recommendation and to City Council.
- Shurview Master Plan | While final revisions are being completed on the Master Plan, staff is going to be engaging in a process with Community Development department to ensure the property's uses and management plan influence a western sub-area planning process that is about to kick off.
- NAT has a staff representative on the steering committee of the North Front Range MPO's 2025 Active Transportation Master Plan and Safe Routes to School committee.

Maintenance/Equipment

- The NAT crew has been busy with two snow removal events in January, along with interviews for the Tech I position, onboarding new seasonal staff, ongoing equipment management efforts, and working through backlogged projects.

Restoration/Land Management

- Participated in Caring for Our Watersheds Judging Steps A and B.
- Prepping for the Aquatic and Right of Way chemical applicator exams.
- Completed the Vegetation Management Plan for Fox Run and Pumpkin Ridge Natural Areas.
- Continuing mapping and analysis for fire mitigation efforts in 2024.
- Working with Ember Alliance (TREX) and GFD to develop burn plans for several properties and participate in training for wildland fire certifications.

Communications/Public Outreach

- Goals have been prioritized for the 2024 comms plan and projects for Q1 are being identified and launched.
- Filming Inside Greeley segment on January 26, will be posted on City website and Youtube in February. Topics will include wildlife behavior in the winter and the value of natural areas as habitat.
- Content for 2023 annual report has been finalized and handed off to C&E for graphic design.
- Developing communication plan with C&E for roll out of Shurview story book created by Armando Silva in the spring. Target audience is K-3rd grade students in D6.
- With adopted Trails Master Plan, NAT will inform the community when the plan is live on Arc GIS Online and communication will focus on the ways that public input shaped the final plan.
- Engagement and relationship-building continues in East Greeley, with discussions around the neighborhood adopting Campo Esparanza NA and partnering on outreach for the new Armando Silva book all about Shurview.

See social media stats below for December (last full month of stats).

Total number of posts	2
Views	5,530
Engagements (i.e., likes, comments, shares, etc)	228

RESTORATION/VEG MANAGEMENT

- Participated in Caring for Our Watersheds Judging Steps A and B.
- Studies for the Aquatic and Right of Way chemical exams which I will need to take in the next month.
- Completed the Vegetation Management Plan for Fox Run and Pumpkin Ridge.
- Continuing work on fire maps and adding new information to the properties as we see new needs or problems arise.
- Kochia specials are being completed by field crew.
- Working with Ember Alliance (TREX) and GFD to develop burn plans for several properties and participate in training for wildland fire certifications

VOLUNTEERS

Project Development: Projects and Dates

- New Multi-Use Trail Construction at Arroyos del Sol – 6/15/2024 - aiming for 25 - 30 Volunteers – VOC's **Confirmed Pride Project of 2024**
- Firefly Trail Reroute at McCloskey Natural Area – 8/17/2024 - 20 volunteers
- New Multi-Use Trail Construction Project Day 1 at Arroyos del Sol – 9/21/2024 - 30 volunteers
- New Multi-use Trail Construction Project Day 2 at Arroyos del Sol – 9/22/2024 - 30 volunteers
- Russian Olive Removal – Triple Creek Conservation Easement – 25 volunteers – 10/12/2024

Training Development:

- Crew Leader for Ecological Restoration Training: 5/4 - 5/5, 15 volunteers

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City of Greeley – Calendar of Events: <https://greeleygov.com/greeley-calendar>

GREELEY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD													
Attendance													
2023	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Casillas, Luis	P	A	A	A	A	A	N	A	N	A	A	N	
Kigin, Shane	P	P	A	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	
McIntosh, Greg			P	P	P	P	M	P	M	P	P	M	
Michaels, Adam (Vice Chair 4/2023-2024)					P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Raminrez, Monica	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Vega Ruiz, Vicente (Chair 4/2023-2024)	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Wilson, Louise	P	A	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	A	A	P	
Wright, Sharon	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	



GREELEY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2024 -- 7:00am

Location: Rec Center 101C, 651 10th Ave

Zoom Option: <https://greeleygov.zoom.us/j/86595739563> Passcode: 331553

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- 5. Board Member Committee Reports: Art Commission**
- 6. Staff Reports**
- 7. Old Business**
 - A. Trails Master Plan Presentation – Justin Scharton**
- 8. New Business**
 - A. Board Member Attendance**
- 9. Upcoming Agendas**
- 10. Next Meeting Set – Tentatively Friday, February 2, 2024**
- 11. Adjournment**

Board members unable to join this meeting, please notify Vicente Vega-Ruiz (Chair) at:
vega21vicente@gmail.com.

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES – November 3, 2023

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, November 3, 2023, at 7:00am at the Greeley Recreation Center. Board members joining: Vicente Vega-Ruiz, Monica Ramirez, Adam Michaels, Sharon Wright and Greg McIntosh. Staff joining: Eric Bloomer (Parks Division Manager), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas & Trails Division Manager), Daniel Lawrence (Recreation Division Manager), Benjamin Alexander (Business Manager), and Nancy Milton (Office Manager).

- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – A motion was made by Greg McIntosh to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Sharon Wright and passed unanimously.

- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – A motion was made by Greg McIntosh to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Sharon Wright and passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

- 5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Art Commission – Sharon Wright: Armando Silva has been contracted for the Delta Park art. A bronze sculpture has been donated by an anonymous donor to be placed at Josephine Jones Park. Artwork for Long View Park should be in place by the end of November.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Eric Bloomer

- Hazelton Park development was supposed to include a bridge to connect the park to the neighborhood on the south. Construction on that bridge has begun and should be completed by the end of the month.
- The Chamber of Commerce will not be holding the holiday parade as in the past. They will instead hold a holiday drive-thru light show at Island Grove Park. The DDA has decided to light Lincoln Park and will host additional events on the Downtown Plazas. The Parks staff will light trees along the Union Colony Civic Center and Recreation Center.

Daniel Lawrence

- The Family FunPlex opened last Friday and everything has been going great.
- On Monday afternoon there will be a kick-off meeting for the Anna Gimmestad Feasibility Study.
- Staff are working with an architect and Public Works Department staff to redesign the plaza in front of the Ice Haus along 8th Avenue.

Justin Scharton

- Nothing further to add beyond what was submitted in his report.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Naming of Shurview Property: Justin Scharton led the discussion reviewing features of the property as well as the naming suggestions provided by staff. Suggestions included: Rabbitbrush Natural Area, Soaring Eagle Natural Area, Arroyos del Sol Natural Area, and Sharktooth Natural Area. The consensus of the Board was the name Arroyos del Sol. Monica Ramirez remarked that the name Arroyos del Sol is not accurate, as the arroyos are not from the sun and geologically speaking, that would not be the correct term. There followed discussion concerning the correct translation of either Arroyos al Sol or Arroyos del Sol. A motion was made by Sharon Wright to recommend the name Arroyos al Sol, pending a final check of the grammar by a professional translator. The motion was seconded by Greg McIntosh and Monica Ramirez. The motion passed 5-0.
- B. ARPA Project Selections: One of the projects approved for funding for CPRD is the Youth Sports Complex lighting conversion to LED. Installation will be completed before the 2024 season. The Active Adult Center renovation project was approved and may include a movie theater, golf simulators, and upgrades to spaces such as flooring, fixtures and furniture. There is also a project led by the Public Works Department that will include CPRD working in collaboration with the Public Works and Water Departments on a master planning project for the Poudre River Trail Corridor.

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. UPCOMING AGENDAS – Trails Master Plan, Board Attendance

- 10. NEXT MEETING** – The Board will not meet in December 2023. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, January 5, 2024.

- 11. ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 8:15am.

Respectfully submitted:

Vicente Vega-Ruiz, Chair

Nancy Milton, Office Manager

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

STAFF REPORTS – January 5, 2024

Diana Frick – Interim Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation

Benjamin Alexander – Business Manager

Eric Bloomer – Parks Superintendent

Parks:

- Farr Park new playground is 70% installed and should be complete by January.
- The Sanborn Park old playground has been removed and the new equipment should start to be installed in January and complete by the end of February.
- The designs for the renovations at Delta Park are almost complete and staff should be sending this to bid in January for a spring start to construction.
- Improvements to the Rover Run Dog Park are complete with the exception of the new shade shelter that will be installed this spring.

Forestry:

- Staff are working on a transition plan for moving median maintenance to the Public Works Department.
- Winter tree pruning is complete by our contractors and staff are doing smaller jobs across the Parks.

Linn Grove Cemetery:

- The annual Wreaths Across America was a major success. With unseasonable weather the organizers had a great turnout, and all needed wreaths were funded and placed.

Daniel Lawrence - Recreation

Family FunPlex

- Current Programs
 - Young Rembrandts: 6 participants
 - Safe Sitter: 6 Participants
 - Jingle bell Jam: 170
 - Birthday Part Packages: 16 reservations
 - Swim Lessons: 142 participants
- Upcoming Programs and Events:
 - Swim Lessons 1/9-2/1

Recreation Center

- Current Programs:
 - Mini Monkeys: 8 participants
 - Billy Goats: 5 participants
 - Open Climb: 26 participants
 - Preschool Play: 26 participants
 - Swim Lessons: 15 participants
 - Water Safety Instructor Course 7 participants
 - Lifeguard Training: 3 Participants
- Upcoming Programs:
 - New Preschool Activity Program 1/5 and 1/19
 - Adult Climbing
 - We Rock

Swim Lessons 1/8-2/1

Facility Operations/Projects/ Custodial/Updates

- Ice Haus Video Board Mounted to Wall – Install 12/27
- Ice Haus – Washer Dryer?
- FFP – Audio System now working with final adjustments scheduled for 1/9
- FFP Aquatics – UV Install 1/9
- FFP – Aquatics Closure 1/18-1/19 – Control System on Pool Boilers and Domestic Hot Water – 1"x1" Pool Tile Repair – Lazy Pool Pump Valve Replacement – Dump Bucket Install
- FFP & GRC – Hardwood Floors Refinished Completed – Main Gym – Racquetball Courts – Fitness Studio
- FFP – Volleyball Nets Replace and Systems Tightened
- AAC - Closure 12/18-12/22 – Shampoo carpets, touchup paint, clean out grease trap, replace carpet squares, re-glue loose carpet squares, clean furniture, clean windows, blow out woodshop, deep clean kitchen & restrooms, lighting, buff VCT floors, cleaned out storage areas etc
- Aquatics - \$15,000 of PPE and Chemical storage platforms and cabinets purchased at the recommendation of CoG Risk and Safety
- GRC – Pool Chemical room rec center pool area. Fabricate and install new stainless steel angle iron pieces and custom fit fiberglass bar grating. Also modified existing aluminum grating to fit better around piping.
- FFP & GRC – Cleaning Contract Completed for 2024
- FFP & GRC – Basketball Hoops, Curtains, Volleyball Systems – All were re-programmed to simplify the codes and allow for height adjusters to be moved as desired by the SPAIR Team.

Rodarte Community Center

Programs:

Boxing-

- 2022: 26 youth and 5 adults
- 2023: 21 youth and 1 adult
- Details: Giovanni Plasencia and Jack Poland are advancing to regionals in California on January 4, 2024.

2023-2024 After School Program-

- Numbers:

Anna Gimmestad Community Center:

- 2022-47/50
- 2023-50/50

Rodarte Community Center:

- 2022-106/140
- 2023-139/140

- Details:

- The After School Program Christmas Party was on Friday, December 15, 2023, from 4:30-6:30 pm. A generous donor bought Christmas presents for all 189 kids and Santa made an appearance to pass them out.
- We will be open for winter break starting on Thursday, December 21, 2023-Monday, January 8, 2024. We will be closed Monday, December 25, 2023; Tuesday, December 26, 2023, and Monday, January 1, 2024.
- Average daily attendance for November is 81 students per day.

Special Events recap and upcoming events:

- The Greeley Youth Commission had another successful cold weather clothing drive. Clothing items were handed out at the Community Christmas Party on Saturday, December 9, 2023, from 10:00 am-1:00 pm.
- The 34th annual Community Christmas Party was on Saturday, December 9, 2023, from 10:00 am-1:00 pm. 1,720 people came through our doors and 1,235 presents were handed out.
- We have completed the 2024 Teen Night Out calendar with various recreational facilities hosting the event. The first one of the year will be at the Rodarte Community Center on Friday, February 16, 2023, from 5:00-8:00 pm.

Facilities:

- Community Garden:
 - New curbs and sidewalks are currently being installed.
 - Grant reporting is closed out, but staff will have to attend a conference in 2024 with details TBA.
- Anna Gimmestad Community Center feasibility study update:
 - Community meeting will be on Thursday, February 22, 2024, from 6:00-8:00 pm.

Active Adult Center

- **Programs**
 - Open House - February 20 from 3 to 6
 - Cooking Matters - Tuesdays, January 16 to February 20
 - Sculpey Bead Making Class - January 25
 - Woodshop Resin Coasters- January 19
 - Ceramic Leaf Bowl Class - January 17 and 24
 - Armchair Travel: Italy - January 9
- **Upcoming Senior Trips:**
 - Bally's Casino - January 5
 - National Western Stock Show - January 10
 - Candlelight Dinner Theater: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat- January 18
 - Eagles Game - January 21
 - Cirque Du Soleil: Corteo - January 27
 - Buckhorn Exchange - January 31
- **Facility Updates:**
 - Touring other Senior Centers on January 3rd
 - Starting process for ARPA Renovations **Sports and Programs**

Justin Scharton – Natural Areas & Trails

Poudre and Sheep Draw trail counts (Nov 2023)

Location	Month Total	Daily Avg (Month) Trend (prior month)	YTD Daily Avg Trend (prior year)
Sheep Draw @ McCloskey TH (installed May 2018; NEW counter with bike detection installed Aug 2023))	4138*	138 ↑20.3%	147 ↓4.2%
Triple Creek Spur @ Mountain Vista TH (re-installed Aug 18, 2020)	4615	154 ↓17.0%	121 ↑20.0%
Poudre Trail @ Island Grove (installed Aug 2020)	2260	158 ↓17.2%	153 ↓9.9
Poudre Trail @ Rover Run (Temp moved May 2020)	5300	177 ↑0.7%	147 ↓19.2%
Poudre Trail @ PLC (installed Aug 2020)	9107	304 ↓0.9%	209 ↓28.0%
Poudre Trail @ Poudre East (Kodak TH)	10110	337 ↑22.5%	216 ↑5.2%

Staffing

- Final recruitment for the vacant Tech I position is ongoing, the 29 hr PT Groundskeeper position has been filled, and two seasonal Groundskeepers have been hired. One seasonal Groundskeeper is reaching the end of the 6-month limit and will likely return after 45 days.

Capital Projects

- Greeley #3 Canal Trail | With the installation of the HAWK signal across 4th St., this project has been completed. This connection project creates a new safe route to school for Madison Elementary students and an additional 0.7 mi of community trails which now connects 2.3 mi of trails in the neighborhood.
- Poudre River Trail – Duran Section | The Land and Water Stewardship Fund grant agreement for the project has been executed, allowing the project to proceed. An RFP will process will commence in early 2024.
- Poudre River Trail – Poudre Ponds | RFP is being developed for an early 2024 construction schedule.
- Small capital projects | New fencing has been installed at Hunter’s Cove Natural Area.

Strategic Planning/Policy

- Trail Master Plan | Boards and Commissions presentations are continuing, with presentations to the Commission on Disability, Greeley Downtown Development Authority, and Community Development staff this past month. Staff will present to the P&R Board in the January meeting.
- Shurview Master Plan | Final draft concepts were presented to the TAC in December, and final details are being refined. Public engagement for the master plan has concluded, and outreach will continue over the winter to discuss why it’s important to close the property and what is happening while the property is closed. Staff will bring the preferred concepts to the P&R board in February.
- NAT has a staff representative on the steering committee of the North Front Range MPO’s 2025 Active Transportation Master Plan and Safe Routes to School committee.

Maintenance/Equipment

- In the absence of significant snowfall in 2023 to date, the NAT crew has been working on small capital projects, equipment repair, and working with Equipment Maintenance on acquiring new equipment.

Restoration/Land Management

- Staff attended the Colorado Weed Management Association Winter conference.
- Fire mitigation maps are being developed over the winter to better inform boundary mowing needs for 2024.
- Kochia and other low priority weed specials are being mowed over the winter.

Outreach

- 2023 Annual Report is in final design and will be ready for an early 2024 publication.
- Content updates for NAT website are ongoing and are planned to go live in February 2024 for phase I of the NAT webpage overhaul.
- NAT partnered with Weld Community Health to host a “Get to Know Your Natural Area” at Campo Esperanza NA with east Greeley neighborhoods residents.
- Staff partnered with a UNC quantitative methods class to collect and analyze trail user data on the Sheep Draw trail. Data collected will be used to better understand user experience and track the impact of management efforts on visitor attitudes.

Volunteers

- 2024 Projects are being finalized, including:
 - Crew Leader for Ecological Restoration Training: 5/4/23 - 5/5/23, 15 volunteers
 - New Multi-Use Trail Construction (VOC’s Annual Pride Project) at Arroyo del Sol – 6/15/24 - 50 Volunteers
 - Firefly Trail Reroute at McCloskey Natural Area – 8/17/24 - 20 volunteers.
 - Multi-Use Trail Construction Project #2 at Arroyo del Sol – 9/14/24 - 50 volunteers
 - Multi-use Trail Construction Project #3 at Arroyo del Sol – 9/28/24 - 50 volunteers
 - Russian Olive Removal – 10/12/24 - 25 volunteers

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Kigin, Shane	P	P	A	A	P	P	O	P	O	P	A	O
McIntosh, Greg			P	P	P	P	M	P	M	P	P	M
Michaels, Adam (Vice Chair 4/2023-2024)					P	P	e	P	e	P	P	e
Raminrez, Monica	A	P	P	P	P	P	e	P	e	P	P	e
Vega Ruiz, Vicente (Chair 4/2023-2024)	P	P	P	A	P	P	i	P	i	P	P	i
Wilson, Louise	P	A	P	P	P	A	n	A	n	A	A	n
Wright, Sharon	P	P	P	A	P	A	g	P	g	P	P	g

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board - Agenda Summary

January 5, 2024

Justin Scharton, Culture, Parks and Recreation Department / Natural Areas & Trails, 970-350-9205

Title:

Trails Master Plan

Background:

The original Trails Master Plan was adopted in 2002, and in the subsequent 21 years has exceeded the typically ten-year planning horizon for a master plan. No previous planning efforts, including the 2002 plan, ever expanded the planning scope for trails to the City's full Long Range Expected Growth Area (LREGA). As development continues and accelerates in northern Colorado, a conceptual and regional Trails Master Plan is necessary to equip Natural Areas & Trails (NAT) to strategically negotiate future trail alignments with developers and other City departments. To provide this conceptual plan, NAT partnered with Logan Simpson Design to assist with the development of the Trails Master Plan.

The work began with a thorough review of relevant existing trail and other master plans, including plans focused on Greeley, neighboring communities, and the northern Colorado region. Next, public engagement was launched in April. Phase 1 of public engagement focused on gathering baseline data and trail corridor suggestions from the community. Then a robust Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was assembled to provide expert advice on trail alignments and plan implementation. The TAC met in mid-June to review the public comments received in Phase 1 and work through an exercise to refine future trail corridors. A preliminary draft map was developed and taken back to the public for feedback in Phase 2 of public engagement. Feedback gathered in Phase 2 was used to refine the trail corridors. The TAC met again in mid-September to review the refined version of the trail corridor map and provide input on the trail prioritization criteria and process.

In November, TAC members were asked to review the draft chapter on Implementation, including Policies, Trail/Trailhead Standards and Funding. From November 2023 to February 2024, NAT staff presented (or will present)

to 12 boards and commissions within and external to the City organization, to gather input on trail prioritization and implementation.

The final plan features several components critical to NAT's success in the ten-year planning horizon, including:

- High priority trail corridors
- Criteria for determining future trail alignments
- Trail design and maintenance standards
- Four Big Moves to advance trail building in Greeley

The final stages of adoption after review by the Parks & Recreation board include recommendation by the Planning Commission on January 9th, and subsequent Council presentation and adoption.

Decision Options:

Staff requests a recommendation from the Board as to next steps as follows:

Suggested motion(s)

- I move to recommend approval of the Trails Master Plan as presented, with legitimate format edits, and to forward the recommendation to Greeley City Council to adopt the Plan by Resolution.
- I move to recommend approval of the Trails Master Plan with the following amendments: _____(be specific)
- I move to reject the Natural Areas & Trails Strategic Plan as presented.

Attachments:

Link to Trails Master Plan storymap:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/7c7dd84b67f144fe9484f9bd7d7732c3>

PowerPoint Presentation