

**CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 12:30 pm**

**IN PERSON: 1801 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW**

**VIA ZOOM:**

<https://cabq.zoom.us/j/82774598659>

Meeting ID: 827 7459 8659

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**At-Large-** Tony Johnson, Valerie Martinez; **District 1-** Vacant; **District 2-** Julie Radoslovich; **District 3-** Anna Nelson, Ph.D.; **District 4-** Vacant; **District 5-** John Ajie; **District 6-** David Duhigg; **District 7-** Cynthia Serna; **District 8-** Vacant; **District 9-** Fredrica "Rickie" Bergquist

**AGENDA**

1. **Call to Order** (5 min)
  - a. Introductions by current board members - name, district
2. **Business Meeting** (5 min)
  - a. Approval of today's agenda
  - b. Approval of June 2024 meeting minutes
3. **Presentation (10 minutes)**
  - a. Request/Application for Name Change: **Snow Park**, 9501 Indian School Rd NE. *History of current name: The City Parks & Recreation Department's earliest files for this property are from 1957, and indicate that Snow Park was named by the developers as part of the subdivision development. Funding was not available to construct the park at that time, but was expected in 3-5 years. The City Planning Department does not show any cases associated with the park property. The name "Snow" is associated with the neighborhood, and there is a Community Center with the same name.*
4. **Old Business** (10 min)
  - a. Board field trip on Friday, June 21 (10 am - 1 pm) - comments by board members. Regarding Lavaland as a focus for the board's pilot project: the board is reconsidering a focus on this park because the community association has planned activation activities each weekend in the month of September.
  - b. Presentation of annual report (sent to the mayor and city councilors on June 28). Valerie Martínez, Chair. Link to report: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1WwatJ6NhqVUHJ\\_w\\_YyoJJFnZsZaYv\\_ZzEyMfDiHfzHw/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1WwatJ6NhqVUHJ_w_YyoJJFnZsZaYv_ZzEyMfDiHfzHw/edit?usp=sharing)
  - c. Follow-up discussion: Together for Brothers (T4B) visit by Christopher Ramirez at the June meeting re: changes to the Phil Chacon renovation plans generating questions from the community. The board has suggested to PRD staff that PRD hold an update meeting for community members as the process has been long since the initial community engagement process and first day of park closure.
  - d. Park Activation Guide - will be taken up by the Park Activation Subcommittee
5. **New Business**
  - a. E-Bike proposed ordinance, scheduled for discussion at the August 5, 2024 City Council meeting.
  - b. Park name change requests/applications will go through the process outlined in the MPRAB Park Renaming Policy. Link: <https://tinyurl.com/mprabparkrename>

6. **Reports (20 min)**

- Parks and Recreation Department, Directors (5 min)
- Parks and Recreation Department, Staff (5 min)
- Sub-Committee Reports, Committee Chair or designee (5 min)
- Board Members Roundtable (2 minutes each)

*from Julie Radoslovich (District 2):* a) Terry Storch reached out to her directly regarding use of E-bikes in open spaces. The Rio Grande is within District 2 boundaries. It seems important for public meetings to transpire before the introduction of E-bikes in open spaces through a new city ordinance. The City Council will vote on this on August 5th (before we convene this meeting). b) Pat Hurley and West Mesa Neighborhoods are hosting a small, wellness Wednesday on Sept. 18 which will include yoga, the Parks and Recreation Activity Trailer, and a pickleball demo in the evening from 5:30-7:00. c) -Joan Jones Community Center, which has been closed for 15 months, will be closed an additional 12 months for construction. Glad the construction is happening, but it has been closed far too long. d) Food trucks will be coming to Pat Hurley Park upper loop every Thursday evening during the months of August and September.

7. **Public Comment (2 minutes per person)**

8. **Review Action Items**

9. **Announcement(s)**

- National Night Out is this evening, with events going on, including in parks, around the city. Find information here: <https://www.cabq.gov/national-night-out>

10. **Agenda items for September meeting, in addition to Action Items, above:**

- (from Julie) Explore/discuss how the expected \$145 million from the opioid settlement might be used to support positive activities in our parks through quality programming. The money may be used for prevention, intervention, and treatment.

11. **Next Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3, 2024, 12:30 pm, and **Adjourn**

*The Metropolitan Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was established to keep itself informed of city parks and recreation needs and to serve as a forum for public discussion. The MPRAB encourages the greatest use of parks and recreation programs including cooperation with other agencies and organizations which are involved in providing recreation services for the public good. The MPRAB recommends to the Mayor policies for overall development of the park system. The MPRAB represents the community at large and not any specific recreational organization.*

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