

**AGENDA
PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 3, 2026
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

CALL OF ROLL:

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

"An opportunity for members of the public to address the Park Advisory Commission on items not on the current Agenda. Items requiring Park Advisory Commission action maybe deferred to staff for research and future Wyoming Park Advisory Commission Agendas if appropriate."

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the "Consent Agenda" will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the "Regular Meeting" of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for July 6, 2026

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

2. To consider the Letter of Interest from Ross Larson to the Park Advisory Commission
3. To discuss pickleball courts in the City of Wyoming

COMMUNICATIONS:

4. Lions Park Public Engagement Update

PARK STEWARD UPDATES:

UPCOMING:

ADJOURN

**NEXT MEETING:
SEPTEMBER 7, 2026
7:00PM**

DRAFT MINUTES
WYOMING PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
JULY 6, 2026
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Spangler called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for July 6, 2026 to order at 7:00PM

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission were present: Members Bruce Spangler, Bruce Vukelich, and Hector Rodriguez.

Absent: Commissioner Bergan

Also Present: Grant MacFarlane – Assistant City Administrator and Brett Ohnstad – City Council Liaison

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

Chair Spangler determined a Quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

Lisa Iverson, 25675 Goodwin Road – Provided their ideas for Little Verges Park and Verges Park. Thanked the Park Advisory Commissioners for their work on recent projects.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for June 1, 2026**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER VUKELICH, SECONDED BY MEMBER RODRIGUEZ, TO APPROVE THE PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 1, 2026 MEETING.

Voting Aye: Spangler, Vukelich, and Rodriguez

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2. To discuss Railroad Park History Walk Signage**

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane informed the Commissioners that draft signs had been received from WSB for the History Walk at Railroad Park. The signs were presented to the Commissioners for review.

Commissioner Vukelich asked if the signs would be a permanent fixture at the park.

Assistant MacFarlane affirmed that they were permanent.

Chair Spangler inquired about the placement of signs at the park.

Assistant MacFarlane stated that they would be along the inner side of the History Walk loop across from the to-be-installed benches.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER VUKELICH, SECONDED BY MEMBER RODRIGUEZ, TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL AND PURCHASE OF THE SIGNS TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Voting Aye: Spangler, Vukelich, and Rodriguez

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

3. To discuss Future Park Planning – Lions Park

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane provided an overview of items to consider for a Lions Park project including project scope, cost, border material, and potential next steps.

Chair Spangler expressed that the Commissioners would like to be methodical with the project and gather public input in the form of a public survey.

Commissioner Rodriguez asked how long park equipment can typically be expected to last.

Administrator MacFarlane stated that he did not have an exact life expectancy, but that the current equipment in Lions Park had been installed in the early 1980s.

Commissioner Vukelich agreed with doing a survey before making any decisions. Stated that the survey should also ask about the usage of the Lions baseball field and potential interest in other park amenities.

Chair Spangler shared his preference for wood borders at this park due to their cost effectiveness and ability to be replaced by City staff.

Commissioner Vukelich stated that he was hopeful that a playground manufacturer may have a special sale or deal available for this project, much like was seen in the Fireside Project.

The Commissioners provided consensus to move forward with the public survey for Lions Park.

COMMUNICATIONS:

4. Goodview Park – Wyoming Lions Club Bench Donation

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane informed the Commissioners that the bench which was donated by the Wyoming Lions Club had been installed at Goodview Park.

5. Verges Memorial Park Border Update

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane stated that the wood park borders at Verges Memorial Park had been replaced by the Public Works Department.

The Commissioners stated that the new borders looked great and commended the department for their work.

6. Park Amenity List – Signs Update

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane informed the Commissioners that all of the Park Amenity List signs had been posted in the areas that were designated by the Commissioners at a previous meeting.

Park Steward Updates:

Commissioner Vukelich – Noted growing weeds at Lions Park and Banta Park.

Commissioner Rodriguez – His parks looked good. Was happy to see the new bench at Goodview Park and that the nets at Goodview Park had been cleaned up.

Chair Spangler – There are weeds and a sagging volleyball net at Tolzmann. Newly planted trees at Centennial Park appear to be struggling. Swenson Park looked great.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER VUKELICH, SECONDED BY MEMBER RODRIGUEZ, TO ADJOURN THE JULY 6, 2026 MEETING OF THE WYOMING PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION AT 8:05PM

Voting Aye: Spangler, Rodriguez, and Vukelich

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

NEXT MEETING:
AUGUST 3, 2026
7:00PM



PAC Communication

Date: July 27, 2026

Presented to: Chair Spangler and Park Advisory Members

Presented by: Grant MacFarlane, Assistant City Administrator

Department: Administration

Reference: Ross Larson – Letter of Interest

Method: New Business

Background Information:

Ross Larson has provided a letter of interest to the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for the open seat on the board. If Mr. Larson were to be approved by the Park Advisory Commission and City Council, he would occupy the open seat with a term expiration of 2028. Additionally, Mr. Larson's first PAC meeting as a Commissioner would be September 7, 2026.

Recommendation: To review and consider the letter of interest of Ross Larson for the position of Park Advisory Commissioner.



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Mr. Macfarlane,

I am interested in serving on the Park Advisory Commission. I have attended a couple of meetings to get some idea of what is involved and would like for you and the board to consider an appointment to the open position on the Park Advisory Commission board. Thank you for your consideration.

Ross Larson
24531 Farmstead Ln
Wyoming, MN 55092

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PAC Communication

Date: July 27, 2026

Presented to: Chair Spangler and Park Advisory Members

Presented by: Grant MacFarlane, Assistant City Administrator

Department: Administration

Reference: Pickleball

Method: New Business

Background Information:

At the July 6, 2026 Park Advisory Commission meeting, the Park Advisory Commissioners requested that pickleball courts be added to their next meeting agenda. Park Advisory Commissioners expressed interest in the potential of pickleball courts at Verges Memorial Park and Lions Park. Staff reached out to six pickleball court organizations to inquire about providing a quote for each of the potential projects. Each vendor was sent photos showing ground-level and aerial photos of the potential project locations.

In addition to potential projects at Verges Memorial and Lions Park, staff also included information on Swenson Park. Swenson Park received a new pickleball/tennis court during its reconstruction in 2021. These courts have severe cracking due to Minnesota's fluctuating seasons. Staff requested that the organizations provide a price estimate for repairs to this park's court.

Staff also provided photos of the Swenson Park ice rink. Currently, the ice rink is not used during the summer. A possible option for the ice rink would be to add pickleball lines and temporary netting for summer usage. The netting and poles would be removed in the winter months to allow for rink usage while the pickleball lines would simply be iced over during the rink freezing process. Staff requested that the vendors provide price estimates for adding this to the rink, with 3-5 courts likely being able to fit in the space.

Staff have received confirmation from two vendors that they intend to provide cost estimates, but these have not yet been received. Staff is seeking continued discussions regarding this project, including possible locations, scope, and budget.



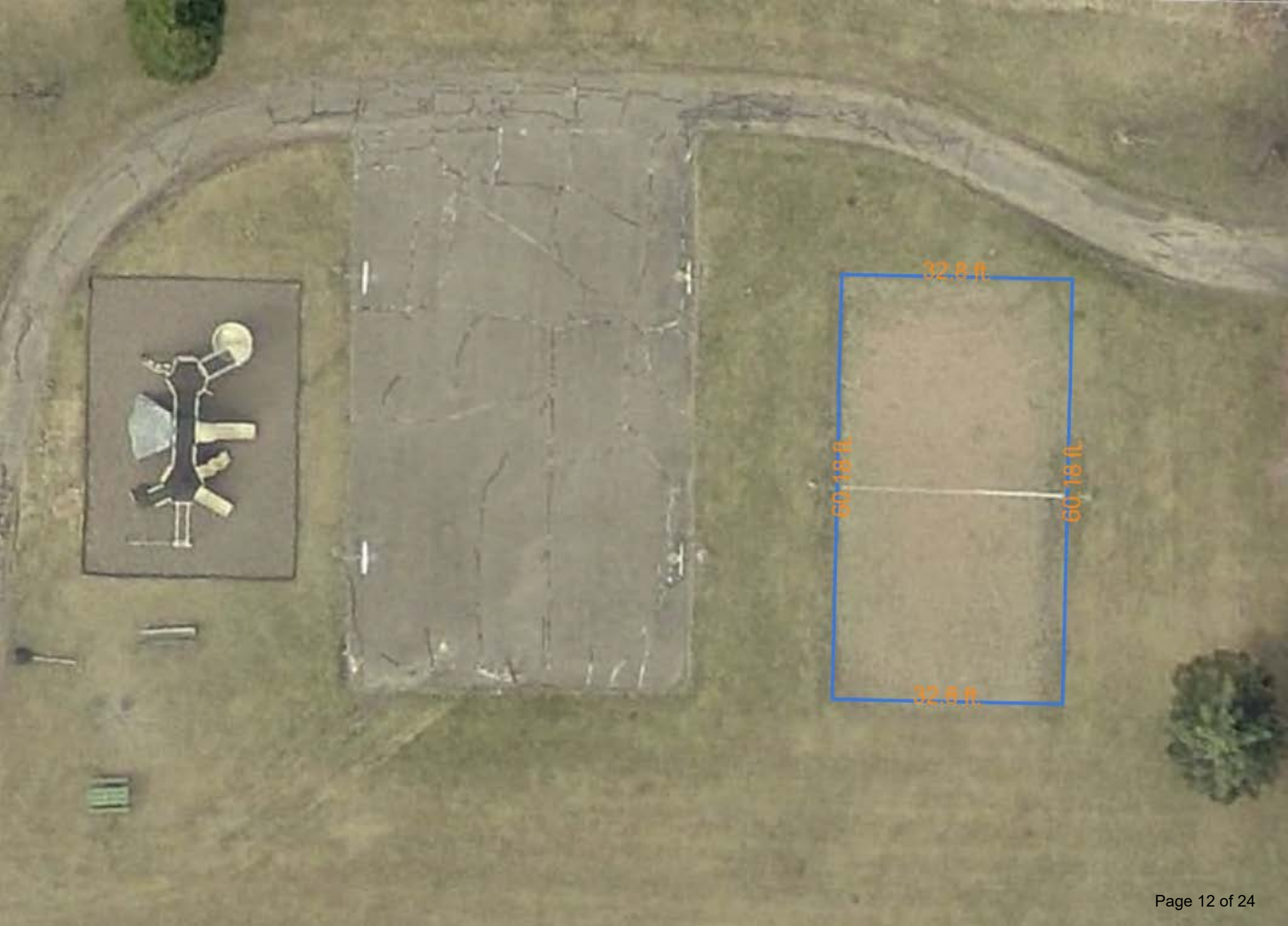
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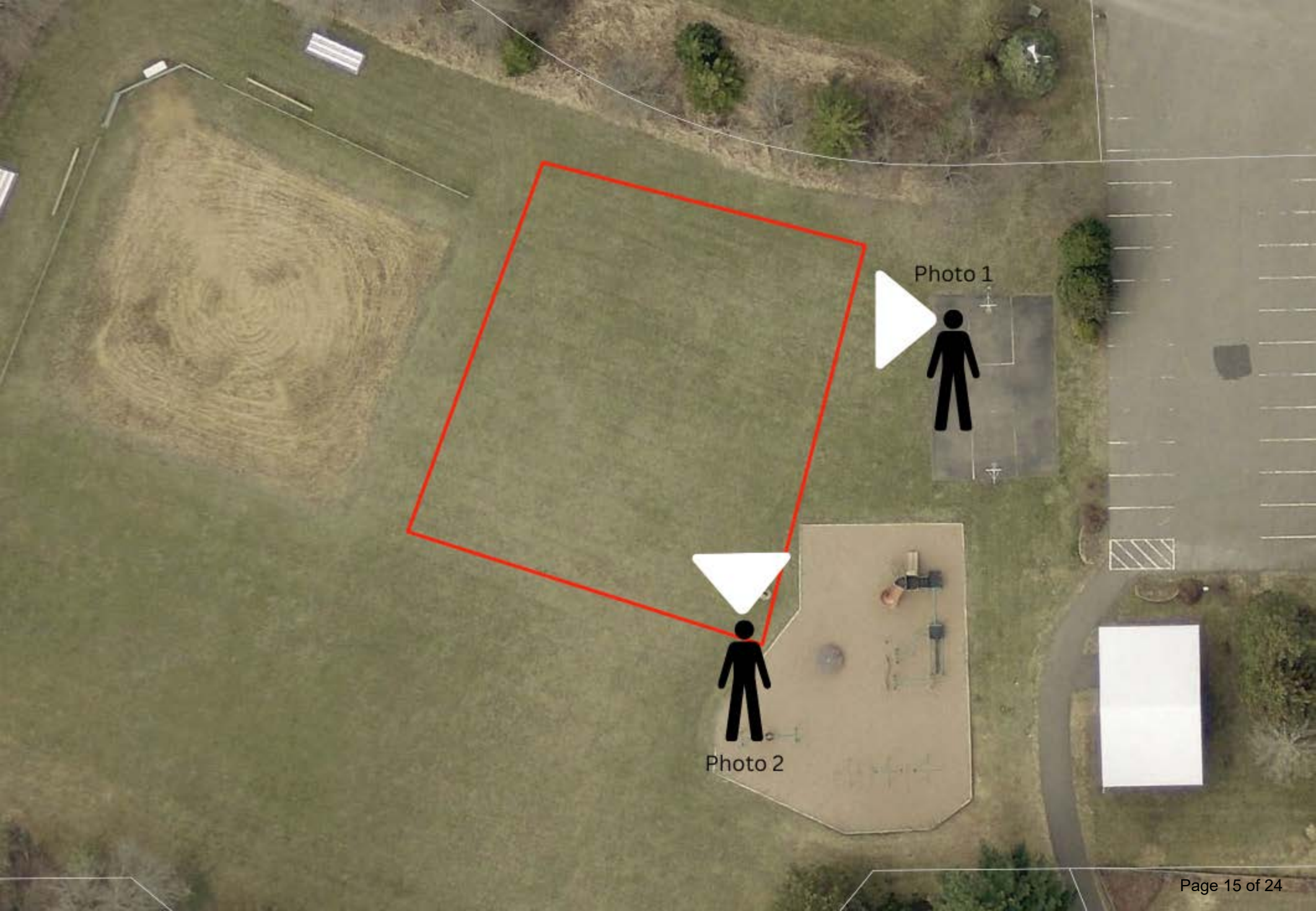


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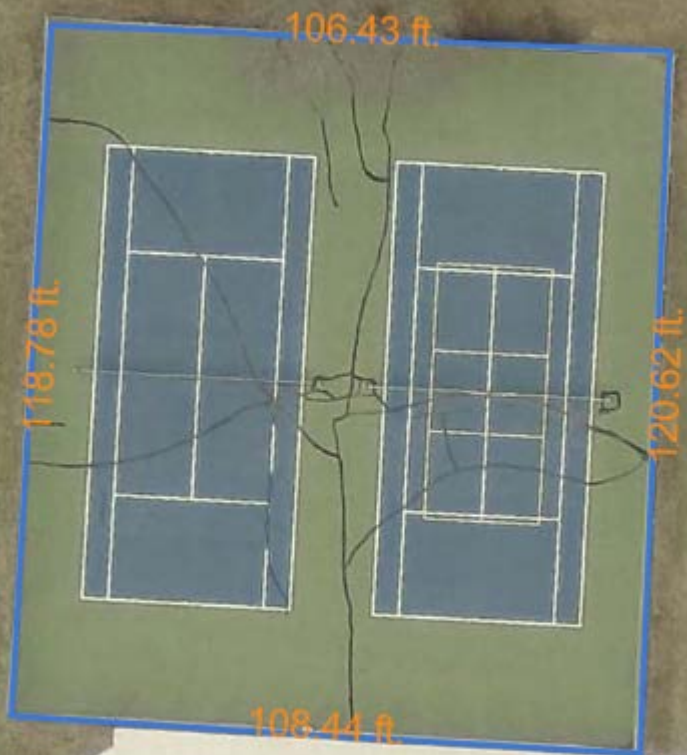




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Concept Photo - Pickleball in Rink





PAC Communication

Date: July 27, 2026

Presented to: Chair Spangler and Park Advisory Members

Presented by: Grant MacFarlane, Assistant City Administrator

Department: Administration

Reference: Lions Park Update

Method: New Business

Background Information:

The Park Advisory Commission approved of a public engagement effort to receive public input on the potential Lions Park Project. As a part of this approval, the PAC authorized the distribution of mailers containing a QR code and link to a Lions Park Survey. Mailers were distributed to 184 residential addresses, all of which were south of East Viking Blvd. and west of Kettle River Blvd., with the farthest south addresses being at Euclid Ave. This area was selected due to their proximity to Lions Park.

The Lion's Park mailers were sent out on Wednesday, July 15th and the survey will remain open for responses through Sunday, August 16th. Staff will present the results of the survey to the Commissioners at their meeting on September 7, 2026.

Below is a photo showing the postcard (QR Code has been changed) that was sent for this project.



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