

Recreation Advisory Board

Agenda

Monday, April 28, 2025
Coal Creek Golf Course
585 Dillon Rd
5:45pm-Tour of the Golf Course
6:30pm-Regular Meeting Starts

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes
- V. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda
- VI. Recap of City Council Meeting Presentation
- VII. Update from April 15 City Council meeting-In-line Rink project

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VIII. CIP and Operating Budget Requests for 2025

A list of approved CIP's can be found at this link:

<https://www.louisvilleco.gov/home/showdocument?id=43490>

- Recreation & Senior Services
- Golf

IX. Staff Updates

- i. Recreation & Senior Services Updates-Kathy
- ii. May meeting date change?
- iii. Golf Updates-Mark
- iv. Department Updates-Adam

X. Board Updates

- Outdoor Rec Amenities Update
- 2026 budget requests due to City Council on May 1st.

XI. Discussion Items for Next Meeting

XII. Adjourn

Recreation Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 17, 2025

Recreation Center

900 West Via Appia

6:30 PM

Call to Order – Chairperson Norgard called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Roll Call was taken. The following members were present:

Board Members Present: Douglas Minter, Dick Friedson, Angie Layton (remote), Lisa Norgard, Michele Van Pelt, Dan Brenner, Everett Weiss

Board Members Absent:

Staff Members Present: Kathy Martin, Jeff Hirt and Paul Borth

City Council Members Present: None

Public Members Present: at least 40 members of the public (see sign in sheet to confirm actual number)

Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved unanimously.

Motion: Michele

Second: Dick

Approval of Meeting Minutes – The minutes from the February 24 meeting were approved unanimously with the following amendments:

Douglas raised two corrections: approval of RAB 2/24/25 minutes was incorrectly stated as July 25 and the header incorrectly stated January 27 instead of February 24; Dick asked that installation of soundproof screens be considered for the inline rink; and Lisa asked that we note that all RAB members were in favor of five pickleball courts, not six.

Motion: Dick

Second: Dan

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Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda

Kathy explained that since conversion of the pickleball courts is not on the agenda tonight, the RAB can only listen to public comments. Furthermore, this is a matter that only the City Council can consider as a previously approved CIP. This project has not gone out for public bid.

The following comments were heard and noted here in summary:

Kyle: please reconsider this conversion proposal as a lot of folks use the rink.

Jack: I have used the rink for the past several years as it's important for high schoolers to improve our skills.

Owen: we should keep the rink.

Sue: I support pickleball. The inline rink is what is proposed to be converted, not the skate park. I have not observed a lot of current use.

Helmit: as a neighbor, I can hear pickleball play on a daily basis and do not support this conversion.

Mike: I think skaters and pickleball players can both use the rink. Why convert if there are other places to play? I don't see the need.

Ryan: I oppose conversion for sole use for pickleball. I have taught many folks to skate and there is sustained use. It should remain multi use. There are pickleball courts elsewhere that are not fully used and new ones planned. I urge RAB to ask City Council to pause this project. It should be done in tandem with building a new rink before conversion occurs.

Alexis: Rink should remain multiuse for youth sports including hockey. Please add this item to the next RAB meeting agenda.

Nate: I play hockey and oppose conversion of this rink. I want to continue to play.

Wes: I have used the rink with my bike, for skating and it keeps youth physically active. It's convenient as I don't need a ride to use it. Often pickleball players are older and can drive themselves.

Mike: My kids and their friends use the rink for hockey. It's a unique facility that is safe for families to use. It is underutilized and the City can do better to promote its use. I understand that pickleball players want to use it but unlike hockey, these folks can play elsewhere. The RAB should ask City Council to reconsider.

Rachel: the rink should remain multiuse. Inline hockey facilities are limited.

Tamar: my son learned to unicycle on this rink. Please tell City Council to keep the rink multiuse. Please also stay for the Comp Plan's three different scenarios regarding increased housing on tonight's agenda.

Stella: Our family has used the rink for several years and should remain multiuse. Please let City Council know of our concerns.

Kaylin: I learned how to skateboard on the rink to relieve stress after school. It should remain multiuse. Otherwise, skating is expensive to do elsewhere. The rink allows us to skate for free.

Jann: Pickleball may just be fad. Inline skating rinks are rare. We should consider creating leagues for rink use. My kids learned to skate on this rink.

Bryan: I am a skateboard business owner and was contracted by the City to design this rink several years ago. We have used it for many lessons. The skate park is not safe for smaller kids compared to the rink.

Comp Plan Update – Jeff Hirt

I am the planning and project manager for the City. We do have some questions for the RAB to consider. The Comprehensive Plan is not a regulatory document, but it is important policy. We are at the ten-year mark with this document. Parks and Rec are part of this Plan. The PROST plan precedes this Comp Plan.

Marshall Fire delayed the 2023 update of the Comp Plan. Progress to date: 3 rounds of public engagement. Plan includes visions and core values (see slides included with these minutes). The City adopted housing plan last May to identify where additional housing can occur. The City's population has decreased slightly in the last few years. There are four areas where future growth can occur. For tonight, we are looking for feedback. Dick: what is the target for future housing growth? Jeff: in last year's housing plan and to maintain our share of County's growth, we would need about 2,700 more housing units. Dick: are there additional recreational facilities? Jeff: we want your feedback on this need as well. New Plan can include public facility upgrades. We want to know what is missing from this Plan. Public review of draft to be issued this June for comment followed by City Council adoption.

What are most important items that the RAB thinks this Plan should capture?

Michele: pleased that it includes some residential growth that should be affordable for more people. Jeff: 70% of current housing is single family. We are looking at other options. Michele: with more people living here, we need to expand recreational services and facilities to align with future growth. Dick: we need more outdoor multipurpose fields. I agree that we need diversity in our housing stock. Dan: Plan should be more granular with infrastructure including recreation services and more programming. Lisa: how does PROST plan dovetail with the Comp Plan? Jeff: the Comp Plan can strengthen what is in the PROST plan. Douglas: how do the new ADU regulations factor into the Comp Plan? Jeff: we don't expect a lot of new ADUs but it would be factored in including the Redtail Ridge proposal. Dick: does the Plan factor in vacant spaces including Lowes? Jeff: we are dependent on sales tax so these large vacant parcels should remain commercial for revenue. Dick: adding more housing in these areas would stimulate business.

Tamar: I'm glad residential growth will be addressed in the Comp Plan. Assuming these growth projections, the City should address the issue of housing density.

The City should also consider impact fees. Lisa: Redtail proposal had considered multiuse fields. Can the new Comp Plan consider this? Jeff: yes, and RAB should consider advocating for new recreation facilities. Jeff: we should look at this in

areas for future residential growth. Dick: we need more landscaping with any new residential growth. Jeff: we don't have guidelines for multifamily design standards which could be included in the Comp Plan. Dan: north of Redtail Ridge, is that within the City limits? Jeff: no. Everett: what about design standards for downtown? Jeff: this Plan would allow some residential growth (e.g., a condo above a restaurant) to maintain the City's character. Kathy: RAB has focused in the past on maintaining existing recreational facilities. Lisa: yes, this has been part of RAB's workplan priorities. Jeff: we will keep the RAB informed about our Plan development as part of public engagement.

Staff Updates

- **Recreation and Senior Center Updates**

- 1. Aquatic Amenity Update – Paul Borth**

We have \$75,000 in the CIP for adding splash pool enhancements. Focus is on infants and preschoolers who can't use other pool areas safely. This includes a newer and safer portable slide. We are limited by what we can fit in the wading pool and the existing plumbing (see visual slides included with these meetings). We are looking at new portable slide designs. Other play structures will be replaced. We will replace the overhead three showers with something that is more kid friendly. Total improvements would be at least \$55,000 and would be made during the LRC's maintenance week. Jets would remain as permanent structures. Dan: could the entry door from the family dressing room to the pool area swing both ways? Kathy: we could look into this. Lisa: motion to approve these proposed amenities was accepted.

- 2. General Updates – Kathy**

- **Golf Updates – GM Position Hiring Update – Kathy**

Initial interviews were done on Zoom. Four candidates were called back for in person interviews and then toured the Golf Course. We are happy with the four finalists. Michele: we never heard back on our feedback to include RAB in the interview process, etc. Lisa: this is a similar sentiment from all Boards. It appears we are being ignored. Kathy: the RAB should address this concern in its presentation to the City Council. We expect a decision on this position by next week when Adam is back.

Dick: I'm concerned about the City's (i.e., Ryder's) lack of response on the use of enterprise funds (e.g., loans). There has been no follow up. It appears we have to wait for the City Manager to address this.

Board Updates

- **2025 City Council Presentation (to be presented to City Council April 8)**

Lisa met with Deb Fahey. Lisa shared a draft of RAB's proposed presentation slides to City Council on April 8th with the RAB board. Dick: let's focus on drafting bullets with RAB's highest priorities. Michele: suggest adding more priorities. We should acknowledge RAB CIPs that Council supported/funded. Kathy: I could get a list of these projects. The RAB agreed to leave the slide blank on alignment with Recreation/Golf Departmental Work Plan. Dick: can we provide hard copies to allow them to review RAB's spreadsheet? Kathy: RAB could consider skate park enhancements for novice youth use. Dan: can we add infrastructure for consideration in the Comp Plan? We also need to know that City Council is making a good faith effort to consider the RAB's input. Lisa: we can also include the Golf Course strategic plan and the clubhouse feasibility study. Dick: could we ask to meet with the new City Manager? Kathy: yes. Lisa: this may be premature since she will be starting just before April 8th.

- **Outdoor Rec Amenities Update**

Lisa: Dick and I met with Julian and Gene. Kathy: the RAB may need a champion to get City Council to commit to a new golf clubhouse. Who on Council could serve this role?

- **2026 Budget Requests due to City Council on May 1st**

Lisa: we will draft a memo for the May 1st meeting and should address the increased demand for youth sports.

Discussion Items for Next Meeting on April 28

Conversion of Inline Rink? (if City Council directs the RAB to reconsider this)
Budget Requests for May 1st
Golf Course Tour
Meet and Greet new Golf GM
Update from Adam B
Rec Amenities Update
RAB Use of Social Media

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Motion: Lisa
Second: Dick

To: Recreation Advisory Board
 From: Kathy Martin, Recreation & Senior Services Superintendent
 Date: 04/18/25
 Subject: 2026 Budget Requests

Purpose:

The goal of this agenda item is to present intended 2026 operational budget amendment requests.

Background:

The City of-Louisville completes a biannual budget for both CIP's and operational budgets. Currently, the city is in the first year of the two year budget and requests are now being taken for budget amendments for 2026 operational as well as new or substantially changed CIP's for the 6 year CIP budget. The Recreation & Senior Services division plan to request the operational budget changes/transfers listed below. This chart is informational and meant to show areas of priority and operational need going into 2026. These requests do not increase the overall appropriation to the Recreation Fund thus will not require a formal budget amendment approval.

	2026 Budget	2026 Requested					
Rec Center Management							
208721-511100 Variable Salaries	\$419,974	\$326,938	Budget entry error				
208721-523100 Uniforms & Clothing	\$2,500	\$7,000	Increased expenses and staff				
208721-550100 Software	\$10,000	\$15,000	Rectrac and App annual fees				
	\$432,474	\$348,938					
Youth Sports							
208726-511100 Variable Salaries	\$54,599	\$85,882.20	\$30.08 per hr. x 20 hrs. x 52 weeks employee				
208726-522900 Miscellaneous Supplies	\$20,000	\$25,000	Increased participants and potential new programs				
208726-536040 Rentals	\$9,000	\$27,000	Increased fees from BVSD				
208726-540900 Prof Services-Other	\$6,000	\$12,000	Increased referee fees from contractor				
	\$89,599	\$149,882.20					
Total requests within both divisions result in a \$23,252 savings							

Next Steps:

Staff will request the above 2026 budget changes/transfers to be reviewed by the PROS Director, Finance Director, City Manager, Human Resources and City Council for approval.