



City of Pensacola

Parks & Recreation Board

Agenda

City of Pensacola
222 W. Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

April 15, 2025, 10:00 AM

Hagler-Mason, 2nd Floor

The meeting can be watched via live stream at cityofpensacola.com/video.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

1. 25-478 SWEARING IN OF NEW AND RETURNING BOARD MEMBERS
2. 25-479 NOMINATING AND VOTING NEW CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. 25-448 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES DATED MARCH 18, 2025
Attachments: Parks and Recreation Board Minutes March18, 2025

CITY COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

4. 25-473 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – ARC GATEWAY FOR SENIOR ENRICHMENT PROGRAM OFFERED TO SENIOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES.
Attachments: The ARC Gateway INC MOU 2025-2026_Legal Edits

OPEN FORUM

5. 25-472 PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS
Attachments: None

STAFF REPORTS

6. 25-450 PARKS PRESENTATION - BILL KIMBALL
Attachments: 2025 Parks Board Presentation

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

7. 25-449 DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Attachments: Director's Report

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

8. 25-475 DIRECTION '25 - PRIORITY LIST

Attachments: *Direction '25*

OPEN FORUM

CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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City of Pensacola

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

MINUTES

City of Pensacola
222 W. Main Street
Pensacola, FL
32502

March 18, 2025

10:00 AM

Hagler-Mason, 2nd Floor

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bruni called the board meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Michael Blankenship, Renee Borden, Kristin Brown, Antonio Bruni, Justine Roper Williams, Suzanne Lewis, Kirwan Price

Members Absent: Bradley Boes, Jake Renfroe

OPEN FORUM

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. 25-317 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 18, 2025

A motion was made by Parks & Recreation Board Member Lewis and seconded by Parks & Recreation Board Vice Chair Borden.

The motion by the following vote:

Yes: 7 Michael Blankenship, Renee Borden, Kristin Brown, Antonio Bruni,
Justine Roper Williams, Suzanne Lewis, Kirwan Price

No: 0 None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2. 25-318 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Tonya Byrd, opened the floor for any questions.

Vice Chair Borden inquired about the repair of the well building located on 12th Avenue. Assistant Director Byrd confirmed that the roof has been repaired.

Vice Chair Borden also inquired about how to go about letting someone paint a mural on the building and who to contact to get it approved. Deputy City Administrator Miller responded to questions and comments accordingly.

Assistant Director Byrd gave an update on a few projects that have been under repair.

Chairperson Bruni inquired if there was an update on the Belvedere Disc Golf Course. Parks and Recreation Division Manager Nikki Gray approached the stand and responded to the question accordingly.

Assistant Director Byrd also passed around photos of recently completed projects.

STAFF REPORTS

3. 25-319 BRITTANY HUGHES - SPRING/SUMMER PLAYBOOK

Marketing and Outreach Coordinator, Brittany Hughes, distributed throughout the board unofficial copies of the upcoming Spring/Summer Playbook and gave an overview.

Vice Chair Borden inquired if the city was able to get the Playbooks marketed in the airport. Hughes responded by stating that we will. Hughes also mentioned that she dropped off leftover copies of the Winter edition and that the airport is now added to the distribution list.

Chairperson Bruni commented on the QR codes listed throughout the Playbook. Hughes responded to the comment accordingly.

Board Member Williams inquired if the local/private-owned organizations could request to have the Playbooks onsite and how they would go about proceeding with the request. Hughes responded by stating she is the point of contact for the requests.

Board Member Williams also suggested adding a contact link on the City's social media pages for local organizations to use to send requests for copies of the Playbook to have at their facilities. Hughes agreed with the idea and will work on getting it done.

Chairperson Bruni inquired if it was possible for the QR codes to tell how far in

distance the next park is from the current one a person is at. Hughes responded to the comment accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Bruni brought before the board a new agenda format and explained the reasoning behind it.

Chairperson Bruni inquired if the agenda items needed to be emailed to both Director Heistein and Miss Stroman. Assistant Director Byrd confirmed that was correct.

Chairperson Bruni also mentioned creating a priority list of important projects that the board can present to city council.

Board Member Lewis inquired if the CNAPP president could make quarterly reports to the board of what their priorities are. Board Member Brown responded to the question accordingly.

Vice Chair Borden mentioned that recently, at the last city council meeting, there was an MOU approved that the Parks and Recreation Board did not review.

OLD BUSINESS

4. 25-320 DIRECTION '25: PENSACOLA PARKS REVITALIZATION PROJECT LIST

Amy Miller, Deputy City Administrator, set the stage before the open discussion.

Deputy City Administrator Miller gave an overview and insight on how the money is distributed and how much of it is flexible.

Chairperson Bruni inquired if the Mayor had gone to individual city council members and asked about the priorities in their districts. Deputy City Administrator Miller confirmed that was correct.

Chairperson Bruni also inquired about which projects became infeasible and what trades were made. A discussion ensued and Deputy City Administrator Miller responded accordingly to the questions and comments.

Board Member Blankenship inquired about Grenada Park's funding and why it was not a part of the list of projects. Board Member Blankenship also inquired about who had input on the assessments if it wasn't by anyone on the board. Deputy City Administrator Miller responded accordingly to the questions and comments.

Board Member Lewis commented that one of the missing elements is the city

council. Board Member Lewis also requested a break-down list of the newly appropriated funds, grant funds, and existing dollars. Deputy City Administrator Miller responded and gave a few dates as a good time for the board to talk about their district's needs so that they would be considered during the time of deciding budgets.

Open dialogue ensued.

Board Member Blankenship commented about how the Rodger Scott Athletic Complex football field's press box needs foundational work and not just repairing the top of the press box.

Board Member Brown inquired about how Director Heistein would be able to reach out to the parties that have a concern about the repairs. Assistant Director Byrd responded by stating that Director Heistein is going to some of CNAPP meetings and if the neighborhood association would reach out to the city about coming to speak directly at the meetings, then that could be arranged.

Chairperson Bruni inquired about resurfacing and re-stripping the parking lot at Hitzman Park.

Board Member Lewis inquired about the dog park at Bayview Park.

A member of the public, LaWanna Hamilton, approached the stage to inquire about whether funds collected from the programs that are using the city's parks and recreation facilities will the funds come back to those facilities or if the money is allocated to other parts of the city. Chairperson Bruni responded by stating that the money goes into a general fund, and then it is allocated from the general fund.

The Parks and Recreation Board agreed to put together a priority list to present at the next meeting.

OPEN FORUM

None

ADJOURNMENT

WHEREUPON the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE
CITY OF PENSACOLA PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
AND
THE ARC GATEWAY, INC.**

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is made by and between the City of Pensacola Parks and Recreation Department (the “City”), a Florida municipal corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, located at 222 W. Main Street, Pensacola, Florida 32502, and The Arc Gateway, Inc. (“Activity Program Provider”), a Florida not for profit corporation, located at 3932 N 10th Avenue, Pensacola, Florida 32503, (the City and Activity Program Provider collectively referred to hereinafter as the “Parties”).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the City is committed to providing space for a senior services program that will benefit and enrich seniors with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Activity Program Provider is a non-profit, community-based program for seniors with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City owns property located at 2000 East Loyd Street, Pensacola, FL 32503, known as the Bayview Senior Resource Center (the “Facility”); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to collaborate to offer a senior program for seniors with disabilities at the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this MOU to memorialize and establish the specific responsibilities of both Parties for the senior programming;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the City and the Activity Program Provider agree as follows:

SECTION 1 PURPOSE OF MOU

1.1 Recitals. The recitals contained in the preamble of this MOU are declared to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated into this MOU.

1.2 Purpose. The purpose of this MOU is to establish the specific responsibilities of the Parties in offering a senior services program at the Facility.

SECTION 2 ACTIVITY PROGRAM PROVIDER RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1 Maintenance of Appropriate Programming. The Activity Program Provider’s programming will maintain typical valued routines of the community that are age and culturally

appropriate by promoting acquisition, retention, and improvement in self-help, socialization, and adaptive skills for seniors. Recreational and other activities that enhance development are strongly encouraged. Programming includes mornings orientation, participation in activities of choice, field trips, communication and interaction with peers at the Facility, and improving daily life skills such as learning to count money, telling time, and making healthy food choices. The Activity Program Provider must provide for any reasonable equipment required to operate an effective program.

2.2 Participants. The Activity Program Provider will ensure all senior programming participants are ages fifty (50) and older with a target participation number of no fewer than ten (10) per program consistently.

2.3 Location of Programming. Programming will be held at the Facility and at any other community center as identified by the City. • Any request for additional use of program space must be in writing a minimum of ten (10) working days prior and additional fees may apply.

2.4 Facility Use. The Activity Program Provider will adhere to Facility and park operating hours and closures during severe weather, due to repairs, or holidays and will ensure that all facilities used for the programming and activities are left clean and litter free and in the same condition as they were found.

2.5 Staffing Requirements. Activity Program Provider will maintain a minimum of two (2) staff per ten (10) participants at each location for each program session. The Activity Program Provider will submit a list of all staff, volunteers, and/or board members prior to the start of the program and submit changes to the City in an updated list throughout the term of the agreement.

2.6 Cancellations. Written notice for any cancellations must be submitted to the Facility supervisor no later than five (5) working days prior to cancellation date. The Activity Program Provider must notify the city immediately in any instance that may require multiple cancellations a month. If this occurs, approval must be provided by the City to continue the session in such a location.

2.7 Programming Evaluation. The Activity Program Provider must track the success of the program and growth of each participant through appropriate evaluative tools.

2.8 Production of Required Documents. The Activity Program Provider must provide the following: (1) an itemized budget sixty (60) days prior to the start of each session, (2) a copy of the By-Laws and related operating procedures, (3) any written Disciplinary Guidelines for participants prior to start of the program, (4) upon request, must provide a list of annual board meeting dates and a list of board members with phone numbers, email addresses, and physical addresses, (5) upon request, must provide board meeting minutes to the City within 14 days of the occurrence of such board meeting.

2.9 Recognition of City Partnership. The Activity Program Provider must recognize the City of Pensacola as a partner in all the ARC Gateway, Inc., programs located at the Facility and include the parks and Recreation Department logo on all publications, flyers and promotional materials that relates to the programming at the Facility.

2.10 Program Recruitment and Marketing. The Activity Program Provider must recruit for the programming through a marketing plan that is mutually developed between the Activity Program Provider and the City's Parks and Recreation Marketing Coordinator.

2.11 Notification of Accidents and Incidents. The Activity Program Provider must notify the City in writing no later than 12:00pm on the next business day after any accidents and/or incidents that require medical attention or when public safety personnel were called to assist with the situation. The notification shall include the date of the incident, the name of the injured party, and a brief description of the incident.

2.12 Maintenance of Records and Accounts. The Activity Program Provider must maintain accurate records and accounts in accordance with the terms and conditions of this MOU. The City may cause, upon reasonable notice, an audit to be made of the records and accounts as such records and accounts relate to the calculation of the amounts payable to the City.

2.13 Facility Maintenance. The Activity Program Provider must pay for any requested Facility or park maintenance which occurs outside the normal weekday operating hours for City custodial staff or park maintenance staff.

SECTION 3 CITY RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1 Provision of Facility. The City agrees to provide spaces (such as the Facility and other locations deemed appropriate by the City) for the senior programming provided by The Activity Program Provider. However, as continuous growth may impact the City's ability to offer additional space, growth of the programming must be managed and coordinated with the City. Programming and Activities will be subject to inspection and reviewed by City staff quarterly to determine continued allocation of space.

3.2 Program Recruitment and Marketing. The City agrees to collaborate with the Activity Program Provider to develop a comprehensive marketing and recruitment plan that includes, but is not limited to promotion in the City's quarterly program guide and on the Play Pensacola website.

3.3. Facility Inspection and Maintenance. The City agrees to inspect all City owned assets annually and provide routine maintenance as the City sees fit.

SECTION 4 LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

4.1 Liability Insurance. The Activity Program Provider must provide proof of commercial general liability insurance with a minimum liability limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate. The City of Pensacola must also be listed as an "additional insured" on the policy. Certificate holder shall read: City of Pensacola; c/o Parks and Recreation Department, P.O. Box 12910, Pensacola, FL 32521 or to the City of Pensacola, c/o Parks and Recreation Department, 222 West Main Street, Pensacola, Florida 32503.

4.2 Indemnification. The Activity Program Provider agrees to add the City of Pensacola as a release or held harmless in any Hold Harmless Agreement included as part of the activity participation and to provide to the City upon request. The Activity Program Provider agrees to fully indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Pensacola, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers from and against all actions, damages, costs, liabilities, claims, losses, judgments, penalties and expenses of every type and description, including, but not limited to, any fees and/or costs reasonably incurred by the city of Pensacola's staff attorneys or outside attorneys and any fees and expenses incurred in enforcing this provision (hereafter collectively referred to as "Liabilities"), to which any or all of them may be subjected, to the extent such Liability are caused by or result from any negligent act or omission or willful misconduct of the Activity Program

Provider in connection with its use of the City of Pensacola Facility. This includes any damage to or theft of the Activity Program Provider property stored or left on City of Pensacola property. This shall be a continuing release and shall remain in effect until revoked in writing.

SECTION 5 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

5.1 Term. This MOU will remain in effect for one year from the date of the last executing signature and may only be amended in writing as agreed to by both parties. Whenever there is a change in leadership within the Activity Program Provider, a new MOU will be required, which must have the signature of the new Executive Director and President.

5.2 Termination. Either party may terminate this agreement upon 30 days written notice to the other. Termination for cause shall be immediate upon notification by the City and shall include, but not be limited to fraud, lack of compliance with applicable rules, regulations, and ordinances, failure to remit proper payment, and failure to perform in a timely manner any provision of this agreement.

5.3 Governing Law. This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, and the Parties stipulate that venue, for any matter, which is the subject of this MOU shall be in Escambia County, Florida.

5.4 Public Records. The Parties acknowledge that this MOU and any related financial records, audits, reports, plans, correspondence, and other documents may be subject to disclosure to members of the public pursuant to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

5.5 E-Verify. In compliance with the provisions of F.S. 448.095, the Parties to this MOU and any subcontractors engaged in the performance of this MOU hereby certify that they have registered with and shall use the E-Verify system of the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees, within the meaning of the statute.

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Pensacola, Florida 32502

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The ARC Gateway, Inc
Chief Executive Officer

Date: _____

Date: _____

Attest: _____
Ericka Burnett, City Clerk

Approved as to substance:

Ben Heistein, Parks & Recreation Director

The ARC Gateway, Inc.
President

Date: _____

Date: _____

Legal in form and execution:

Grace Parola, Assistant City Attorney

Date: _____

City of Pensacola Parks and Recreation Parks Division



Parks

- A city park is within a ½ mile radius of 97% of all City Resident



Parks Overview



- Annual Budget
 - \$3.3 Million
- Employees
 - 24 Full Time Staff
- Six Divisions
 - Parks Maintenance Team – 10 Employees
 - Tree Team – 2.5 Employees
 - Trash Team – 3.5 Employees
 - Fountains/Pools – 1 Employee
 - Athletic Field Team – 6 Employees
 - Park Projects Team – 1 Employee

Maintenance Team



- Park Maintenance
 - 9 Employees
 - 3 Crews of 3
- Park Maintenance service Levels – 93 Parks
 - Level 1
 - Community Parks – 28
 - Special Use Parks – 9
 - Level 2
 - Neighborhood Parks – 48
 - Level 3
 - Passive Parks – 8



Maintenance Team



- Landscape Maintenance
 - 1 Employee
 - Landscape Contractor Inspector
- All Landscaping is Contracted Out
 - 141 Areas maintained throughout the City
 - 93 Parks/Facilities
 - 47 Right of ways and open spaces
 - 600+ Acres of Park/Open Space

Tree Team



- Tree Team
 - 2.5 Employees
- Responsible for all tree work in Parks and Right of Ways
 - Average
 - 30 Tree Removals per Year
 - 100 Trimmings per Year

Trash Team



- Trash Collection
 - 3.5 Employees
- Responsible for all trash collection in Parks and Right of Ways
 - 110 Areas collected throughout the City
 - 1700 cans dumped each week
 - Trash Team Operates 7 days a week

Fountain/ Pools Team



- Fountain/ Pool Maintenance
 - 1 Employee
- Responsible for the maintenance and water chemistry
 - 2 Splash Pads
 - Plaza DeLuna
 - Legion Field
 - 2 Pools — Preseason Maintenance
 - Roger Scott Pool
 - Hunter Pool
 - 1 Fountain
 - Ferdinand Plaza

Athletic Field Team

PENSACOLA

- Athletic Field Maintenance
 - 6 Employees
- 25 Athletic Fields Maintained
 - 14 Baseball Fields
 - 5 Softball Fields
 - 3 Soccer Fields
 - 3 Football Fields



Project Team

- Project Team
 - 1 Employees
- Responsible for overseeing parks projects
 - Direction 25 Projects
 - LOST Projects

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Park Amenities

PENSACOLA

- Playgrounds – 59 Parks with Playground Structures



Park Amenities

- Basketball Courts – 26 Parks with Outdoor Basketball Courts



Park Amenities

- Boat Ramps— 3 Parks with Boat Launces



Park Amenities

PENSACOLA

- Tennis Courts – 3 Parks with Tennis Courts



Park Amenities

PENSACOLA

- Pickleball Courts – 1 Park with Pickleball Courts



Park Amenities

- Dog Parks – 4 Parks with Dog Parks

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Park Amenities

PENSACOLA

- Splash Pads— 2 Parks with Splash Pads



Park Amenities



- 621 Garbage Cans
- 538 Benches
- 283 Picnic Tables
- 78 Dog waste Dispensers
- 75 Pavilions
- 64 Water Fountains
- 33 Bike racks
- 31 Shade Covers





Parks make a community more attractive and provide a better way of life. They play an important role in shaping the lives of a community.



PARKS PULSE

As we step into a new month, let's take a moment to reflect on everything that happened in our parks and recreation spaces. From important maintenance updates to exciting recreation programs, our team has been hard at work ensuring our community has safe, enjoyable, and engaging outdoor spaces.

After-School Programs

March Center Celebrities

The "Center Celebrity" program recognizes outstanding students at our out-of-school program locations. Each month, Resource Center staff select Center Celebrities who have demonstrated kindness, helpfulness, and respectful behavior. These students serve as positive role models in their centers and are celebrated for making a difference in their community.



Name: Mikayla

Location: Cobb

What do you love the most? "My Family"

What do you love about going to Cobb? "I like that Mrs. Reba is very nice and all my friends are here"

Favorite Subject: "Math"

If you could wish upon a star, what would you wish for?
"To be the most billionairest kid at Cobb Center"



Name: Jamyla

Location: Fricker

What do you love the most? "Celebrating."

What do you love about going to Fricker? "Playing on the mats in the gym."

If you could wish upon a star, what would you wish for?
"To meet JoJo Siwa."



Name: Myron

Location: Woodland Heights

What are you most proud of? "Being nominated president of after-school camp."

Favorite subject: "Math"

What do you love about going to Woodland Heights?

"Playing sharks and minnows and soccer in the gym."

If the whole world was listening, what would you say?
"Remain yourself and be happy."



Name: Jade

Location: Gull Point

What do you love the most? "My Mom"

What do you love about going to Gull Point? "Playing on the playground"

Favorite Subject: "Reading"

If the whole world was listening, what would you say? "To be kind."

After-School Programs *continued*

Mardi Gras Celebrations

Kids at Fricker, Gull Point, and Cobb Resource Centers built and decorated floats and participated in their own Mardi Gras Parade!



Science, Arts & Learning

March's S.T.E.A.M. projects included:

- Shamrock pucks & potions
- Tie-dye projects
- Homemade pies on Pi Day
- Planting vegetable seeds
- Rock painting
- Edible crafts
- Tornado in a bottle
- Fruit Electricity Circuits
- DIY Lava Lamps
- DIY Slime



Keeping Kids Moving

From Gaga Ball tournaments to indoor kickball and GIANT games - there's never a shortage of laughs and friendly competition at our out-of-school programs.

March's indoor & outdoor sports activities included:

- Redd Diamondz dance team drills
- Tennis for Everyone
- Basketball Practice
- Musical Cones
- The Cone Game
- Gaga Ball Tournament
- Line Dancing



Spring Break FUN!

Cobb Resource Center hosted a blow-up party on Friday, March 23 on the last day of Spring Break. Kids had a BLAST jumping through a blow-up obstacle course.

Fricker Resource Center staff arranged a FOAM PARTY outside the Center on Friday, March 23, attracting 5 new after-school participants!

Gull Point hosted a cookout and allowed spring breakers to make their own pizza from center-made veggies the kids planted weeks prior.

Kids at Woodland Heights spent the week learning about prominent Women in History, concluding with a Womens History Program on March 25.



Resource Centers



Bayview Resource Center

- Bayview event space: 16 Rentals
- Bayview pavilions: 13 rentals

Bayview Senior Center

- Annual Party-Gras event held on March 4 (pictured)
- Free Tax Aid provided to seniors (50+) Mondays and Fridays throughout March
- 5 Rentals

E.S. Cobb Resource Center

- 2 Summer Camp Orientations Held
- After-school location

Fricker Resource Center

- 2 Summer Camp Orientations Held
- After-school location

Gull Point Resource Center

- 2 Summer Camp Orientations Held
- After-school location

Sanders Beach-Corinne Jones Resource Center

- 44 scheduled rental appointments
- Rentals: 4 weddings, 8 events

Woodland Heights Resource Center

- 2 Summer Camp Orientations Held
- After-school location
- 1 Rental

Outdoor Pursuits

Bayview Outdoor Pursuits Center

March 2025 Statistics

- 2 Fish Florida Grants received:
 - \$5,000 in cash
 - \$5,000 in equipment
- Staff received Kayak Instructor certifications
- Spring Break Survival Camp held March 17-21 (pictured)
- Currently seeking grant opportunities for a 1-mile-long multi-use exercise and environmental learning trail at Bayview and grants for bikes and kayaks for programming



Golf

Osceola Golf Course

March 2025 Statistics

18-Hole Games

- 2,307 total rounds played

9-Hole Games

- 553 total rounds played
- 665 total range buckets used

Busiest Week: March 17-21

Updates

- NEW Spark Golf Recreation League Began March 27



Athletics

Vickrey Center

- Youth Girls Volleyball League practices began
- 27 Teams, 250 kids participating
- Yoga & Martial Arts Classes currently enrolling new students
- Youth Basketball Season Completed
- 32 teams, 290 kids participated

Exchange Park

- Adult Spring Sports begin
- Co-Ed Softball, Men's Softball, Senior Softball & Co-Ed Kickball Leagues
- 32 teams, 575 Participants
- WSL Men's Softball Tournament held on Saturday, March 8
- 10 teams participated

Thophalis May Resource Center

- SYSA Youth Basketball League End-of-Season Tournament Games
- 23 teams, 280 kids participating

Spring Youth Soccer

- Hosted by Pensacola Youth Soccer
- Opening day was Saturday, March 15
- 80 teams, 850 kids participating

Spring Youth Baseball

- Hosted by Bill Bond Baseball
- Opening day was Saturday, March 8
- 26 teams, 275 kids participating

Spring Youth West Side Baseball League @ Gregory Park

- Hosted by East Pensacola Student Athlete Program
- 11 baseball teams, 2 girls softball teams
- 175 kids participating

Parks Maintenance

Maintenance Updates

- Removed Graffiti at Maritime Park
- Refurbished benches at Ferdinand Plaza
- Refurbished swings at Baycliff Estates Park
- Refurbished tables, grills, and shade structure at McNealy Park
- Replaced all dugout benches at Exchange Park
- Painted pavilions, tables, benches and repaired railing at Exchange Park
- Repaired a damaged swing at Sanders Beach
- Put CLOSED signs back up at Bay Bluffs
- Repaired a large leak at Hunter Pool
- Pressure-washed and painted the deck at Fort George
- Replaced toilet dispensers in the Port-A-Loo at Bruce Beach
- Installed a NEW playground and refurbished benches at H.K. Matthews Park - NOW OPEN!
- Replaced pool gate latches, hinges, and pool steps at Roger Scott Pool
- Serviced the splash pad at Plaza De Luna - Now Running!
- Benches refurbished at Eastgate, Springdale and Belvedere Parks
- Observation deck repaired at Aviation Discovery Park
- Completed repairs and refurbishment of decking at Fort George
- Refurbished Park Amenities at Alabama Square
- Weekend Storm Clean-up (March 30-31)
- Repaired Playground Equipment at Hitzman-Optimist Park
- NEP Football sidewalk and bleacher pad work has begun at Roger Scott Athletic Complex

Ball Crew

- Bill Bonds Baseball Opening Day Prep
- Softball Tournament Exchange Park Prep
- Line and drag all baseball and softball fields for league play
- Laying out and painting soccer fields for league play
- Mowing and maintenance of all athletic fields

Tree Crew

- Trees Removed: 14
- Trees Trimmed: 11

Volunteering

Park Clean-ups & Eagle Scout Projects

Olive Baptist Church service day 3/29,
over 100 participants cleaned:

- Bayview Park
- Bartram Park
- Roger Scott
- Hitzman-Optimist
- Magee Field
- Bruce Beach
- Wayside Park
- Graffiti Bridge

Recent Ocean Hour clean-ups,
each week at a different park:

- Graffiti Bridge
- Wayside Park
- Bartram Park
- Chimney Park
- Bayou Texar Boat Ramp
- Phillip Payne Bridge

Eagle Scout projects completed:

- 17th Ave Stormwater Park makeover
- Ocean Hour Borrow Bins at Bruce Beach and Bayview Park

Marketing

Social Media

- Daily Facebook and Instagram posts have increased engagement
- March Facebook Metrics: 200K Views, 2.9K Interactions

Event Attendance

- Parent University: February 8
- ECT Community Fun Day: March 27
- Warrington Prep Family Academic Night - April 3
- Fred Levin Way Fest - April 13
- Earth Day with United Way - April 15

Playbook

- Spring/Summer Playbook published March 24
- Will be distributed week of April 1, including airport

Advertising

Upcoming ads in:

- Downtown Crowd
- Pensacola Magazine
- Pensacola Parents
- Pensacola Chamber Directory
- Coastal Weddings Magazine (Fall 2025)
- ECT Family Resource Guide
- LAMAR Billboards
- Cat Country 98.7

Department Features:

- Monthly PEP Talks with News Radio, coming April 2025
- Voices United in Education Podcast - April 1
- The Daily Parks and Rec Show, Featuring Tonya Byrd - Steaming LIVE April 30, 2025



Coming Up

Summer Camp Registration

- Registration for all Play Pensacola Summer Camps and Gull Point Dance Camps are NOW OPEN
- Registration for Outdoor Pursuits Adventure, Kayak, and Fishing camps opened April 7.

Aviation Camp Scholarships

- Applications will soon be open for the first-ever Flight Academy Camp scholarship program, funded by Escambia Children's Trust.

Disc Golf Course coming to Belvedere Park

- A brand-new disc golf course is being installed at Belvedere Park, bringing a fun and challenging outdoor activity to the community. Designed by the Emerald Coast Disc Golf Club, the course features a mix of wooded and open fairways that cater to all skill levels. Installation is scheduled for May 2025.

Movies in the Park

- This year's Movies in the Park will feature popular movie titles, jump houses, face painting, vendors and more! Join us at Community Maritime Park on June 14 and July 26 for a night of family fun!



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 25-475

Parks and Recreation Board

4/15/2025

DISCUSSION

SUBJECT:

Direction '25 - Priority List

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Direction '25

Direction '25: Pensacola Park Revitalization Project List					
Project Name	Scope of Work	Est. Complete	Amount	Funding Sources	Status Updates
Park Sidewalk Accessibility Improvements	Provide accessible walkways to park amenities and restore damaged sidewalks at Belvedere Park, Eastgate Gate Park, Lion's Park, Granada Square, Zamora Square, Lamancha Square, and Toledo Square	Spring 2025	\$ 70,750	LOST FY24	Starts week of 4/14
Henry Wyer Park Revitalization	Upgrade and Restore Playground surfacing, benches, picnic tables, trash cans, lightpoles, fencing, and drinking fountain	Spring 2025	\$ 71,600	CRA- Park Improvements	Waiting on dates from contractors
Roger Scott Athletic Complex Improvements	Renovate football field, pressbox, improve sidewalk accessibility in spectator areas, upgrade bleachers to include railing per new safety standards and make half ADA accessible , and restore ADA connection to nearby playground	Spring 2025	\$ 142,700	LOST NEW	Bleachers ordered, side walk completed, pads are done, press box starts week of 4/14
Roger Scott Tennis Center Improvements	Funds were used in court renovations and remaining used for shade amenities and bleacher upgrades including six shade structures within newly resurfaced tennis courts to be installed in Spring 2025	Spring 2025	\$ 756,487	LOST FY24	Working through Purchasing Dept
Woodland Heights Resource Center Improvements	Renovate kitchen, improve site drainage, and provide accessible walkway for school bus drop offs.	Spring 2025	\$ 91,422	LOST	Meeting with City Engineer
Wayside Park Seawall Design	Develop designs to restore and increase resiliency to the seawall.	Spring 2025	\$ 125,497	LOST FY24	Engineering
McNealy Park Revitalization	Upgrade picnic tables, trans cans, grills, drinking fountain, and develop design to improve one playground area.	Summer 2025	\$ 55,018	LOST NEW	Picnic tables and grill painted, repalcing the trash cans, water fountains ordered, getting quotes on playground
Magee Field Athletic Facility Improvements	Upgrade goal posts and renovate field	Summer 2025	\$ 42,168	LOST FY24	getting quotes on painting goal post, field renovation and overseeding in progress
Bill Gregory Athletic Facility Improvements	Upgrade bleachers to ADA accessible with railing per safety standards	Summer 2025	\$ 50,000	LOST FY24 & FY25	waiting on PO to be issued for bleachers
Miraflores Boy Scout Building	Restore windows flooring and upgrade electrical	Summer 2025	\$ 70,000	LOST FY24	Facilities working on it
Blake Doyle Skateboard Park Improvements	Improve drainage around perimeter of park to prevent erosion	Summer 2025	\$ 9,075	LOST FY24	getting quotes
Sanders-Beach Kayak Launch & Park Revitalization	Convert boat ramp to ADA kayak launch, upgrade picnic shelters, replace restroom and increase number of stalls, upgrade park furniture, upgrade lighting to sea-turtle friendly type	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 1,488,875	Grant	in bid process, bids open on April 25th
Bartram Park Improvements	Develop erosion control plan for bay-side facing park, renovate parking lot	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 50,000	LOST FY24	art installation waiting to be permitted
Gull Point Resource Center Grounds Improvements	Replace and Upgrade Basketball Court, Replace and upgrade one playground area, upgrade picnic tables and benches, renovate parking lot	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 188,100	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Miralla Park Revitalization	Upgrade and Restore Playground surfacing, restore aging playground components, upgrade swing set, upgrade and reconfigure benches, improve sidewalk accessibility to amenities, upgrade trash cans	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 159,500	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Pintado Park Revitalization	Improve park sidewalk accessibility and picnic amenities, upgrade benches, and install drinking fountain	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 70,500	LOST NEW/ GENERAL FUND	Not yet started
Exchange Park Athletic Facility Improvements	Upgrade scoreboard, bleachers, and irrigation system	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 141,500	LOST FY24	Not yet started
Cecil Hunter Pool Facility Improvements	Replace and upgrade waterslide	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 188,481	LOST FY25	Not yet started
Rev H.K. Matthews Park Improvements	Replace and upgrade playground, restore damaged park sidewalks, renovate basketball courts, upgrade drinking fountain	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 264,287	LOST FY24 & FY25, LOST NEW	Not yet started
Bayview Dog Park Improvements	Enhance Bayview Dog Park by improving grading, surfacing, benches, picnic tables, and signage	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 110,000	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Park Amenity Improvements	Improve Park Amenities such as renovating 23 Basketball Courts at Allen, Baycliff Estates, Gull Point, HK Matthews, Pintado, Dunmire Woods, Dunwoody, Eastgate, EPH Lions, HTW, Malaga, Miralla, McNealy, Operto, Zamora; replace and upgrade 22 Drinking Fountains in Poor Condition	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 260,100	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Vickrey Center Improvements	Install and upgrade windows that are hurricane-rated, upgrade air conditioning unit, upgrade lighting, other building renovation work	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 285,305	LOST FY24	Not yet started
Hitzman-Optimist Park Improvements	Install additional parking lot lighting, upgrade picnic tables, trash cans, provide improved park sidewalk accessibility, renovate one parking lot, develop conceptual design for replacing older playground area	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 110,000	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Allen Park Revitalization	Upgrade and restore playground surfacing, repaint climbers, upgrade playground swings, restore misc. playground components, upgrade picnic tables, trash cans, drinking fountain, renovate basketball court.	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 49,500	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Seville Square Improvements	Develop design for underground utilities	Fall-Winter 2025	\$ 50,000	LOST FY24	Not yet started
Roger Scott Pool Facility Improvements	Replace and upgrade pool restrooms, shower amenities, ticketing booth, and restore zero-depth pool surfacing.	Spring 2026	\$ 1,329,000	LOST FY25	Not yet started
Tippin Park Revitalization	Replace playground with inclusive playground and surfacing, provide improved sidewalk accessibility, upgrade picnic tables, benches, trash cans, install new drinking fountain, renovate parking lot	Spring 2026	\$ 428,682	LOST	Not yet started

E.S. Cobb Center Improvements	Structural improvements to glulam arches, roof replacement, building envelope improvements, renovate parking lot	Spring 2026	\$ 1,231,505	LOST + Grant Funds	Not yet started
Lighting Improvements	Improve lighting at Lamancha Square, Lavallet Park, Estramadura Square, Belvedere, and Eastgate Park	Spring 2026	\$ 156,528	LOST NEW	Not yet started
17th Ave Boat Ramp Improvements	Rebuild boat ramp and renovate parking area while improving traffic safety	Spring 2026	\$ 1,487,188	LOST FY24	Not yet started
Bayview Park Improvements Phase 1	Renovate tennis courts, auxillary parking lot, restore park path surfacing.	Spring 2026	\$ 88,000	LOST NEW	Not yet started
Bay Bluffs Park Revitalization	Rehabilitate main boardwalk, upgrade park amenities to reopen park	Fall-Winter 2026-27	\$ 2,400,000	Grant Funded	Not yet started
Fricker Center Improvements	Rehabilitate community center, resiliency improvements to building envelope, stormwater improvements, upgrade building mechanical systems, build two story social hall for an expanded senior center and teen center.	Fall-Winter 2026-27	\$ 9,474,542	Grant Funded	Not yet started
Bryan Park Improvements	Replace and upgrage playground	Spring 2027	\$ 103,753	LOST FY27	Not yet started
Zamora Square Lighting	Improve park lighting	Spring 2027	\$ 30,000	LOST FY24	Not yet started
Dunwoody Park Improvements	Replace playground	Spring 2027	\$ 40,000	LOST FY27	Not yet started
Community Maritime Park Playground Improvements	Replace and upgrade playground surfacing	Spring 2027	\$ 72,000	CMP Fund	Not yet started
Total			\$ 21,742,063		