OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024 HELD AT THE BONNIE NOBLE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1125 WEST LAKE AVENUE, PEORIA, IL

TRUSTEES PRESENT:Trustees Timothy Bertschy, Laurie Covington, Joyce Harant, Reagan Leslie Hill,
Vice President Alexander Sierra, and President Robert Johnson.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Trustee Steve Montez

STAFF PRESENT:Executive Director Emily Cahill, Brent Wheeler, Attorney William Streeter, Brianna Cobb,
Melinda Huett, Hedy Elliott, Nick Conrad, Mike Friberg, Chief Todd Green, Scott Loftus,
Edward Spencer, Shalesse Pie, Karrie Ross, and Alicia Woodworth.

1. CALL TO ORDER President Robert Johnson presided and called the meeting to order at 6:46 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

3. CALL FOR MOTION TO PERMIT TRUSTEE TO ATTEND MEETING ELECTRONICALLY No Trustees requested to attend the meeting electronically.

4. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. MINUTES

5.A. Approval of Minutes of April 10, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

Vice President Sierra MOVED TO APPROVE the April 10, 2024 Regular Board meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Trustee Hill and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy -Abstain, Covington - Aye, Harant- Aye, Hill – Aye, Vice President Sierra – Abstain, and President Johnson - Aye. (Results: 5 Ayes; 1 Abstain; 0 Nays).

6. PRESENTATION OF THE 2023 RHODELL E. OWENS DISTINGUISHED GROUP COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

President Johnson presented the Rhodell E. Owens Distinguished Group Community Service Award stating the following: As many of you know, Rhodell E. Owens was the Director of Parks and Recreation for the District from 1945-1981. He left a marvelous legacy of service to the community by his involvement with cultural and civic organizations. His name is synonymous with good citizenship and quiet service to fellow citizens and he was a leader in the field of parks and recreation. Therefore, it is fitting to commemorate his life with the Rhodell E. Owens Distinguished Group Community Service Award, to be presented to a local group which has made an outstanding contribution to the Peoria Park District through special donations of dollars, volunteer work, services, etc., and/or ongoing support on a special project for the advancement of parks and recreation that improves the quality of life within the community.

7. PRESENTATION OF THE 2023 LANDEN MEMORIAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

President Johnson presented the Landen Memorial Volunteer Service Award stating the following: As many of you know, in 1986 the Board of Trustees established the Landen Memorial Volunteer Service Award, which was established in recognition of Frances "Pat" Landen, a dedicated long-time volunteer. An important part of keeping the spirit of volunteerism alive is to express our gratitude in a tangible way and honor individual volunteers.

Minutes: Regular Park Board Meeting April 24, 2024 Page 1 The Board of Trustees established the Landen Memorial Volunteer Service Award to honor an individual who has voluntarily given of his or her time, talents and skills, thereby assisting the Peoria Park District in the accomplishment of its overall goals.

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.A. Executive Director

Executive Director Cahill thanked everyone that was a part of the Earth Day Festival at Forest Park Nature Center last Saturday. It was the inaugural kickoff of the District's mascot "Forrest" who has been featured in the District's anti-littering campaign and throughout the community.

Executive Director Cahill reported that the District is working with students in the 61603 area to get their feedback about activities to be included in the reimagined July 3rd event that will run from 10 am to 3 pm, and day-long event on September 7th celebrating the birthday of Glen Oak Park.

Executive Director Cahill expressed gratitude to President Johnson who helped the Park District steward a donation in the amount of \$224,000 received last week to support improvements at Peoria Zoo.

8.B. Chief of Police

Chief Todd Green presented the March 2024 Police Activity Report. *Please see Attachment A.*

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.A. Finance Committee – Approval of Accounts Payable

The Finance Committee Presents the Accounts Payable for Approval Trustee and Finance Committee Chair Bertschy reported that the Finance Committee met and has examined the bills and found without exception and moves that the President and Secretary be authorized to issue orders to the Treasurer for the several amounts shown in the agenda and MOVED TO APPROVE the current listing of accounts payable. Motion seconded by Trustee Hill and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Covington, Harant, Hill, Vice President Sierra, and President Johnson. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays)

9.B. Planning Committee – Minutes of March 13, 2024 Meeting

The Planning Committee Presents the Approved Minutes of its March 13, 2024 Meeting

Trustee and Planning Committee Chair Covington presented the approved minutes of the March 13, 2024 Planning Committee meeting to the Board for review.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.A. Q1 Strategic Planning Process

Executive Director Cahill presented a status update for the District's strategic goals as of end of March, 2024 (Q1). *Please see Attachment B*.

Trustee Bertschy stated that this is very impressive and staff did a marvelous job in putting it all together. He wondered if the document, as large and overlapping in areas as it is, could be placed on a wall or large area so that it can be seen in totality as we move through it. In addition, Trustee Bertschy asked if it made sense to have a meeting so that Trustees can spend time

Minutes: Regular Park Board Meeting April 24, 2024 Page 2 reviewing and discussing the document so that they all have a better understanding of what it all means because to him, this is what the Park District is all about.

Vice President Sierra applauded staff for a job well done in reporting the Strategic Plan in detail and the focus necessary to carry it all out. It highlights the large volume of projects the District undertakes and provides to the community.

President Johnson remarked that the number of Rec 'N Roll offerings during the summer is very impressive, with programming offered in every park and he thanked staff for all the work they do.

11. CALENDAR OF CONSENT ITEMS

11.A. Bid – District Wide Chip & Seal

11.B. Bid – Grandview Drive Rip Rap Placement on Grandview Avenue

11.C. Quote – Kellogg Office Build Out

Trustee Bertschy stated that many of the documents to be filled out by the vendor/contractor are incomplete or completed incorrectly. He would like staff to please ensure the documents are completed correctly before submitting for Board approval. Mike Friberg stated that during prebid meetings, the importance of correctly and completely filling out the required forms could be reiterated.

Vice President Sierra MOVED TO APPROVE Calendar of Consent Items 11.A. thru 11.C. Motion seconded by Trustee Hill and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees Bertschy, Covington, Harant, Hill, Vice President Sierra, and President Johnson. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

12. PENDING BUSINESS

None at this time.

- **13. CITIZEN REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD** None at this time.
- 14. COMMUNICATIONS
 - 14.A. Thank You14.B. Kroger Rewards

15. OTHER BUSINESS None noted at this time.

16. ACTION STEPS REVIEW

None noted at this time.

15. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:06 pm Trustee Bertschy MOVED TO ADJOURN. Motion seconded by Vice President Sierra and carried on the following roll call vote: Trustees, Bertschy, Covington, Harant, Hill, Vice President Sierra, and President Johnson. (Results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays).

Full discussion can be viewed at the following link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OniFoKy3P7w</u>

Respectfully Submitted by Alicia Woodworth Executive Assistant and Board Secretary

POLICE ACTIVITY SUMMARY - March, 2024



TOTAL NUMBER OF ALL REPORTS: 16

CRIME REPORTS

Location	Date/Time	Offense Type	Case #
Morton Square Park	3/12/24 - 1727	Aggravated Domestic Violence/Domestic Violence on a Child/Domestic Violence/ Criminal Damage to Property Case Summary: Family Member Battered by Father	24-24
Lakeview Park	3/24/24 – 0853	Park Ordinance Violation Case Summary: Illegal Camping	24-26
Giant Oak Park	3/16/24 - 1400	Park Ordinance Violation Case Summary: After Hours Use of Park	24-29
Riverplex	3/18/24 - 1506	Theft Case Summary: Stolen Cell Phone	24-30
Bradley Park	3/20/24 - 1858	Park Ordinance Violation Case Summary: Possession and Use of Cannabis (3 Juveniles)	24-31
Green Valley Camp	3/26/24 - 0916	Criminal Damage to Property Case Summary: Unknown Suspect Broke Window of Storage Building	24-32
John Gwynn Park	3/27/24 – 1726	Mob Action Case Summary: Battery at Basketball Court	24-34
Martin Luther King Park 3/30/24 – 2000 Bradley Park 3/31/24 – 1845		Mob Action Case Summary: Large Group of Juveniles Fighting	24-35
		Burglary/Motor Vehicle Theft Case Summary: Unknown Suspect Burglarized Bradley Park Maintenance Office	24-36

MONTHLY TOTAL - CRIME REPORTS: 9

NON-CRIME REPORTS

Location	Date/Time	Offense Type	Case #
3700 Blk of Grandview Dr.	03/03/24 - 1900	Other Investigation Case Summary: Deer Hit by Motor Vehicle	24-20
Rock Island Trail	03/06/24 1500	Found Property	24-21
Rock Island Trail	3/11/24 - 1500	Found Property	24-23
Bradley Park	3/15/24 - 1150	Found Property	24-27
Glen Oak Park	3/15/24 - 1245	Found Property	24-28

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MONTHLY TOTAL - NON-CRIME REPORTS: 6

TRAFFIC CRASH REPORTS

Location	Date/Time	Tickets Issued	Case #
Riverplex	03/07/24 – 1750	None	24-22

MONTHLY TOTAL - TRAFFIC CRASH REPORTS: 1

TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Location	Date/Time	Offense	Ticket #
Upper Detweiller Park	03/04/24 – 1700	Speeding	24-1494
N. Galena Rd.	3/5/24 - 1735	Speeding	24-1522
Grand View Dr.	3/5/24 – 1710	Speeding	24-1520
Detweiller Park	3/9/24 - 1520	Suspended Vehicle Registration	24-1620
Detweiller Park	3/10/24 - 1450	Speeding	24-1635
N. Galena Rd.	3/10/24 – 1925	Speeding	24-1646
Kinsey Park	3/24/24 – 1850	Speeding/Uninsured Motor Vehicle/Expired	24-1901, 24-
		Registration	1903, 24-1904
Glen Oak Park	3/26/24 - 1445	Suspended Registration	24-1926
Detweiller Park	3/30/24 – 1925	Speeding	24-2023
E. War Memorial Drive	3/30/24 - 1400	Suspended Vehicle Registration/	24-2016, 24-
		Operate Uninsured Motor Vehicle	2017
Bradley Park	3/31/24 – 1530	Driving on Suspended License 24	

MONTHLY TOTAL - TRAFFIC CITATIONS: 14

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS

Location	Date/Time	Offense	Case #
Giant Oak Park	3/16/24 – 1400	After Hours Use of Park	24-29
Bradley Park	3/20/24 – 1858	Possession and Use of Cannabis	24-31

MONTHLY TOTAL - ORDINANCE CITATIONS: 4

PARKING VIOLATIONS

Location	Date and Time	Offense	Ticket #
Lakeview Park	3/13/24 - 0812	No Parking Zone	01528
Lakeview Park	3/18/24 - 1245	No Parking Zone	01529
Lakeview Park	3/23/24 - 0905	Improper Parking	05581-05583
Lakeview Park	3/24/24 1338	No Parking Zone	05584
Glen Oak Park	3/30/24 – 1248	No Parking Zone	08646
Detweiller Park	3/31/24 – 2005	Improper Parking	05585

MONTHLY TOTAL - PARKING VIOLATIONS: 8

Reviewed by: Mief- Tom C. Sien

_Date:____04/03/24

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- Date: April 20, 2024
- To: Peoria Park District Board of Trustees
- From: Emily Cahill, Executive Director
- Re: Strategic Planning Progress

Following is a status update for the District's strategic goals as of March 2024. Highlights will be reviewed at the District's April 24, 2024 Board meeting.

As always if you have questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you!

Peoria Park District

STRATEGIC PLAN DETAIL 2024

OUR COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION AND ACCESSIBILITY

Pillar One Equitable Access to Parks, Facilities, and Programming:

Strategy 1.1	Establish measurable goals for geographic spread and participation of programs and events across the District's reach.	Program staff in consultation with DEIA and Program Committees
	Strategically allocate resources to ensure that improvements at Glen Oak Park, Owens Center, Proctor Recreation Center, and in Golf are prioritized in the next 3-5 years.	Executive Team and Board
	fy processes where possible.	
Goal: Simpli	Ty processes where possible.	
·	Update the rental/field trip process for recreation facilities by implementing online reservation systems (where possible) and simplifying fee structures for consistency and to support non-profit access to programs and spaces.	Rental Ad Hoc Working Group

	administrative software platforms that ensure user-friendly focus and ease of use to include transitioning Peoria Zoo from Centaman to RecTrac.	
Strategy 2.3	Develop and implement a process for evaluating asset management and job costing tracking to reduce administrative burden and cost and improve data collection and evaluation opportunities.	Business/Parks/Planning Admin
Goal: Impro	ve physical access to parks and trails.	
Strategy 3.1	Build out and implement a plan for purchase of and use of Trak Chairs.	Relevant leadership team members with input from DEIA Committee
Strategy 3.2	Prioritize addressing potential visible and invisible barriers to participation in capital projects and mitigate them during design process.	Relevant leadership team members with input from DEIA Committee

Strategy 1.1: Establish measurable goals for geographic spread and participation of programs and events across the District's reach.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Review current inventory and	Superintendent of	10/23	11/23	Inventory Document	
spread by category.	Recreation				Will repeat in 2024 but won't be completed until Q4.
Establish goals for best practice	Executive Team		8/24	Strategy guide with	Not yet developed.
spread by category.	with feedback			measurable goals for	
	from Program			geographic spread	
	and DEIA				
	Committees				
Apply goals for 2024 inventory	Program staff		3/24	2024 Program Schedule	Staff has worked to ensure the best possible
where possible.	with consultation				equitable geographic spread to Parks on Tap and
	of Executive Team				Yoga in the Park.
Track participation numbers in 2024	Superintendent of		12/24	Data report.	Staff has started collecting information
and make recommendations for	Recreation				through February.
2025.					
Apply changes as new programs are	Program staff		Ongoing		
schedules/planned.					

Strategy 1.2: Strategically allocate resources in 2024 and 2025 to ensure that improvements at Glen Oak Park, Owens Center, Proctor Recreation Center, and in Golf are prioritized in the next 3-5 years.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Develop a high-level multi-year milestone schedule for the identified	Executive Team	2/1/24	5/1/24	Schedule	This document is in process and will form the basis of our (Not a) Retreat on April 30.
projects showing potential funding					our (Not d) Netledt on April 30.
sources (debt issuance/capital campaign/grant writing).					
Build out high level project time	Planning/Exec	2/1/24	6/1/24	Schedule	See above.
lines for each identified project	Team				
showing time needed for each phase					

of project with an emphasis on funding. (A/E hire/schematic/design development/construction docs/construction).			
Assess operational impact as part of this timeline/resource allocation to ensure minimization of negative impact on users during a contemplated construction schedule.	Exec Team		Combined with above.

Strategy 2.1: Update the rental/field trip process for recreation facilities by implementing online reservation systems (where possible) and simplifying fee structures for consistency and to support non-profit access to programs and spaces.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Gather current inventory of fee structures and contracts/ agreements to include insurance documentation across locations	Rental Working Group	1/1/24	2/16/24	Compilation of current forms	Started gathering and reviewing rental contract information and will start eliminating duplicates. The plan is to create one contract with multiple addendums based on the type of rental.
Review and assess for equity opportunities and consistent application.	Rental Working Group	1/1/24	2/28/24	Revised form and recommendation for policy/procedure changes	Not yet started
Recommend any changes to current process necessary to support equitable access to rental programs and spaces.	Rental Working Group		3/27/24	Staff recommendation if needed	Not yet started

Strategy 2.2: Prioritize a process for coordinating both front facing and administrative software platforms that ensure user-friendly focus and ease of use to include transitioning Peoria Zoo from Centaman to RecTrac.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Develop a strategy for transition of	RecTrac Admin	Q2 2024	Q2 2024	Staff recommendation	Not yet started.
Peoria Zoo to RecTrac, identifying	Team and Zoo			for transition timeline	
phasing that honors staff resources	leadership				
and ease of transition.					
Engage current staff users to learn	RecTrac Admin	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Staff survey/focus group	Not yet started.
more about their needs and uses	Team and Zoo			data	
before selecting projects to move	leadership				
forward. Consider seasonal needs of					
affected locations in scheduling and					
work with leadership to implement					
and promote changes.					
Educate the public about changes to	Marketing Team	Q1 2025	Q1 2025	Marketing materials	Not yet started.
their access, both good and					
different.					
Implement new software/hardware	RecTrac Admin	Q 1 2025	Q1 2025		Not yet started.
across all uses at Peoria Zoo.	Team and Zoo				
	staff				
Review and determine if process is	RecTrac Admin				Not yet started.
needed at other locations in the	Team				
District.					

Strategy 2.3: Develop and implement a process for evaluating asset management and job costing tracking to reduce administrative burden and cost and improve data collection and evaluation opportunities.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Build out goals for software needs in	Business/Parks/	Q1 2024	Q3 2024		In process.
this issue area.	Planning Admin				

	Leadership				
Engage current staff users to learn more about their needs and uses before selecting projects to move forward.	Business/Parks/ Planning Admin Leadership	Q1 2024		Survey results	Survey has been completed and is currently under review by IT staff.
Prioritize and schedule current structure based on staff resources and financial viability of change (software/hardware costs).	Business/Parks/ Planning Admin Leadership				TBD.
Budget accordingly and implement.	Business/Parks/ Planning Admin Leadership	Q3 2024	Ongoing	Capital Improvement Plan and operational budget.	TBD.

Strategy 3.1: Build out and implement a plan for purchase of and use of Trak Chairs.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Find a capital funding source to	Board of Trustees				Trustee Bertschy made ask to Carle Health; they accept
purchase the chairs.					requests in Q3 of each year. Staff will calendar this and
					work on building out a request for Q3 submission.
Build out a sustainable operational	Staff leadership				Not yet started.
plan that allows for staff training and					
equitable access to the chairs.					
Budget for the operational impacts	Staff leadership		Q4		Not yet started.
of this effort and seek sponsorship	and Board of				
or grant dollars to offset costs.	Trustees				
Implement and promote accessible,	Staff		Q2 2025		Not yet started.
inclusive operations of the program.					

Strategy 3.2: Prioritize addressing potential visible and invisible barriers to participation in capital projects and mitigate them during design process.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Review funded projects to	Planning	2/1/24	4/1/24	List of projects containing	This has been operationalized and is a part of the work
determine which contain potential				potential barriers for	done as part of development of our annual bond issue.
barriers to accessibility and				additional input.	
inclusivity.					
Coordinate with HISRA and	Planning	2/1/24	On going		The expectation of engaging with HISRA has also been
community to ensure inclusivity					operationalized moving forward.
efforts during design of relevant					
projects.					

Pillar Two: Focus on the PPD Workforce

	Support the growth of Be Anything! from a career exploration	Workforce Development
strategy 1.1	program for young children to one that supports opportunities through high school and college that across the continuum, support exploration and exposure to careers across the organization.	Working Group
trategy 1.2	Consider the viability of offering career exposure opportunities	HR Department
	for youth ages 13-15 that become pipelines for seasonal positions	5
	like camp counselor of lifeguard.	
Goal: Suppo	rt the growth and development of existing staff.	
	Develop a process for leadership/staff development training	Executive Team/HR Department/
	program that focuses on both general leadership and industry-	Consultant
	problam that roodses on both Seneral reductship and madely	
Strategy 2.1	specific expertise. Begin with implementation of customer	

Strategy 1.1: Support the growth of Be Anything! from a career exploration program for young children to one that supports opportunities through high school and college that across the continuum, support exploration and exposure to careers across the organization.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Build out a plan for expansion of Be Anything! to extend its reach beyond kids ages 0-8 at the Peoria PlayHouse to brand all career exposure efforts at the District under this name.	Workforce Development Working Group				Ongoing.
Establish an annual Be Anything! Week that leads up to the World Wide Day of Play and celebrate career exploration efforts across our community.	Workforce Development Working Group with communications to Signature Events Working Group		May 5-12 (WWDoP is May 11)		Planning is underway for this event.
Develop a marketing strategy that supports this work and that highlights existing careers at the District and their impact.	Marketing Team	2/1/24	4/1/24		Staff is working on this effort now.
Support PlayHouse auction with PPD career opportunities.	Board and Staff				This is happening now
Identify strategies to provide scholarshipped access to auction experiences.	Be Anything! Planning Team				Our Supervisor of Community Connections is working to connect opportunities to the Mayor's Role Model Project
Build out continuum of programming that supports the theme beyond BA! Week.	Workforce Development Working Group	1/1/24	6/30/24		In process.

Strategy 1.2: Consider the viability of offering career exposure opportunities for youth ages 13-15 that become pipelines for seasonal positions like camp counselor of lifeguard.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Identify opportunities for middle-	HR Department				
school and early high school					
workforce development					
opportunities that engage youth in					
Peoria Park District positions that					
make sense as "first" employment					
experiences to build responsibility					
and soft employment skills.					
Start with development of	Camp Planning				Started gathering information and will develop an
comprehensive Counselor-in-	Working Group				effective Counselor-In-Training program by 4Q.
Training (CIT) program within our					
camp program to provide					
professional development					
opportunities for 13-15 year olds.					

Strategy 2.1: Develop a process for leadership/staff development training program that focuses on both general leadership and industry-specific expertise. Begin with implementation of customer service training across all PPD locations.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Finalize curriculum for customer	DEIA Officer, Exec		March 30,		This training has been developed and will finalize
service training and accompanying	Staff, HR Staff,		2024		after the leadership team meeting on 4/9. An
workbook for staff.	Consultant				accompanying workbook has also been developed.
Create video version of training for	Team and		March 30,		This will be completed by 4/15/24
onboarding use.	Marketing Staff		2024		
Kick-off training with celebration	DEIA Officer,		March 30,		This will take place on April 18, 2024.
with all staff.	Executive Director		2024		
Build plan for ongoing training of	DEIA Officer,				In process.
staff and reinforcement of	Executive Team,				

curriculum and expectation at all	HR Staff,		
levels.	Consultant		
Develop and implement model for	Superintendent of		A calendar for 2024 has been
leadership development for staff.	HR		developed and will be presented at
			the April Leadership Team meeting.
Identify goals for mentorship	Superintendent of		In process.
training and support of next	HR, executive		
generation of leaders and prioritize	leadership		
in 2025 plan.			

Pillar Three: Actively Promote and Encourage the Diversity, Equity and Inclusiveness of PPD-Funded Contractors and Suppliers.

Goal: Proactively identify contracting and procurement needs and identify diverse vendors for each category of spend.

	Develop a strategy for increasing diverse vendor spend for goods	Purchasing, Planning
Strategy 1.1	and services and implement and report on the same semi-	
	annually.	
Goal: Contir	ue implementation of the District's Qualifying Construction Con	tracts policy and Workforce Goals.
	Continue efforts to refine vendor-facing process and materials	Planning and Compliance Manager
Strategy 2.1	with a focus on increasing DEIA participation and provide	
	regular status updates on the same to DEIA Committee.	
	regular status updates on the same to DEIA Committee.	
Goal: Devel	regular status updates on the same to DEIA Committee.	irect buy, quote and bid projects.
Strategy 3.1	op an internal database of diverse vendors for easy reference in d	

Goal: Reduc	Goal: Reduce administrative obstacles with a revamp of the Vendor Registration Portal.								
	Build out a searchable vendor information data collection process	Purchasing							
Strategy 4.1	and registry for use in administrative tracking of diverse								
	businesses.								

Strategy 1.1: Develop a strategy for increasing diverse vendor spend for goods and services and implement and report on the same semi-annually.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Identify general categories of goods and services regularly purchased and any projected procurements for the upcoming fiscal year.	Staley, Johnson, Planning Staff	2/1/24	4/1/24	List of goods & services	-Annual calendar of procurements being documented as bids/quotes are being published.
Identify categories of spend with opportunity for increased diverse vendor spend, and potential diverse vendors for each applicable category.	Johnson	2/1/24	4/1/24	List of categories & potential diverse vendors	 -Multiple categories were identified in the diverse spend report presented to the DEIA committee on 2/27/24. -A list of potential diverse vendors is being culled from entities publishing HB453 reports in central Illinois and other M/WBE registries.
Communicate quote/bid/contract opportunities to applicable diverse vendor list.	Planning Staff/Purchasing	2/1/24	On going	Notifications to vendors/contractors	 An intentional effort is made to notify diverse contractors on each bid project to date. Efforts and results are being tallied by Planning and have been added to the monthly Qualifying Construction Contract report provided to the DEIA committee. Purchasing is being provided access to Planning's bid site for published bid/quote opportunities, reducing administrative obstacles for diverse vendors. Contractors in the PPD's M/WBE Business Directory were contacted and encouraged to apply for registration with the State of IL's BEP program in advance of the Golf Learning Center project.
Report diverse spend information to DEIA Committee and board annually.	Johnson		3/31	Report	 Complete. The report was provided to the DEIA committee on 2/27/24. Action step has been revised to report annually by end of Q1 only moving forward per DEIA committee

request.			
			request.

Strategy 2.1: Continue efforts to refine vendor-facing process and materials with a focus on increasing DEIA participation and provide regular status updates on the same to DEIA Committee.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Review current manuals, notifications, letters and contracts and identify opportunities for improvement/clarification. Execute.	Planning/Johnson	2/1/24	On going	Revised verbiage	 EEO form revised to include emphasis on utilization analysis and affirmative action. Vendor brochure design is in process for PPD's participation in the City's procurement expo highlighting diversity initiatives. PPD M/WBE Business Directory was updated 02/2024.
Build checklist for all projects that includes scripted pre-bid meetings and process for post award expectation setting. Execute.	Planning/Johnson	2/1/24	4/1/24	Check list	 Workforce goals reiterated in Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed communication templates. Checklist created, need to review and revise to include touchpoints with contractors including mid-project follow up on workforce goals.

Strategy 3.1: Establish universal database to house existing, new, and potential vendors with a column dedicated to diverse vendor business classification, using state and local resources for the same.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Reference State of IL, City of Peoria,	Johnson	2/1/24	On going		-Directories reviewed and contractors added to
MBDC, IDOT and other diverse					PPD's M/WBE Business Directory as of 02/2024 and
vendor business directories for					to Planning's internal Excel database.
available local contractors and					
vendors in applicable expense					
categories.					
Compile diverse vendor data from	Johnson	2/1/24	On going	List of vendors	-Lists compiled from 61 IL entities. 24 additional
Public Act 102-0265 (HB453) reports					entities identified throughout central IL from whom
published by other park districts and					to collect lists.

governmental units throughout the state.				
Utilize search engines and social media platforms to locate small, local, diverse vendors and contractors.	Johnson	2/1/24	On going	-Contractors identified have been added to PPD's M/WBE directory as of 02/2024 and to Planning's internal Excel database.

Strategy 4.1: Build out a vendor information data collection process and registry for use in administrative tracking of diverse businesses.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Figure out strategy for replicating	Johnson	2/1/24	7/1/24	Functioning registration	Complete. <u>https://vendors.peoriaparks.org/</u>
vendor information page to create a user-friendly form-fillable				site	
registration database.					
Add diverse business classification	Johnson	2/1/24	7/1/24	Firms will be added to	Complete.
fields that allow for search by				vendor data base	
classification type.					

Pillar Four: Support Community Workforce Development

Goal: Enhance Internship Program					
Strategy 1.1	Work cross-departmentally to target desired groups of students or groups for internship pipeline, building in park experiences and benefits to further educate and showcase the Peoria Park District.	Workforce Development Working Group, David Gray, Chanel Hargrave-Murry, HISRA			

Strategy 1.1: Work cross-departmentally to target desired groups of students or groups for internship pipeline, building in park experiences and benefits to further educate and showcase the Peoria Park District.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Engage with the planning process of					
Be Anything! to promote career					
exploration across PPD programs					
including as part of out of school					
camp curricula.					
Develop a video series that					
highlights the different career paths					
in the District.					
Work to tell a better story about the					
benefits of working at the District or					
in similar career paths.					

OUR COMMITMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Pillar One: Protection of the Biosphere

	ote reclamation, acquisition, protection, and environmentally sensitive rer corridors, natural habitats, greenways, and trails.	e management of open space,				
	Develop overarching strategies that prioritize right-sized sustainable					
Strategy 1.1	acquisition and divestment strategies across the District.	Parks/Planning/EIS				
0,	Develop overarching strategies that prioritize preservation strategies across the District.	Parks/Planning/EIS				
	rage landscape management that will provide habitat for native specie Establish criteria for moving green space in parks to native habitat restoration and/or enhancement of current no-mow areas to support native species and implement.	es of plants and animals. Parks/Planning/EIS				
Strategy 2.2	Continue progression in arboretum process for Donovan Park.	Parks/Planning/EIS				
Goal: Monitor and plan for ongoing effects of climate change on our local ecosystems and infrastructure. Develop and implement process for retaining an outside consultant to Parks/Planning/EIS						
Strategy 3.1	support mitigation efforts of climate change. These strategies may					

include, but are not limited to grant funding, fleet management, and	
facility/property management.	

Strategy 1.1: Develop overarching strategies that prioritize right-sized sustainable acquisition and divestment strategies across the District.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Review and revise, if necessary, land	Planning	2/1/24	12/31/24	Review and revise the	Meeting week of 3/11
acquisition policy.				current land acquisition	
				document as needed	
Review and revise, if necessary, land	Planning	2/1/24	12/31/24	Review and revise the	Meeting week of 3/11
divestment policy.				current land divestment	
				document as needed	
Evaluate and make recommendation	Planning, Parks,	3/1/24	8/31/24	Recommendation to the	
for the transitioning of Merkle Ford	EIS			Park Board	
house/property. Implement					
direction.					
Evaluate and make recommendation	Planning, Parks,	3/1/24	12/31/24	Recommendation to the	
for the transitioning of Tawny Oaks	EIS			Park Board	
house. Implement direction.					

Strategy 1.2: Develop overarching strategies that prioritize right-sized sustainable acquisition and divestment strategies across the District.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Update INPC management	EIS	1/1/24	3/15/24	INPC Management	Updated plans for all 4 nature preserves – need to
schedules.				schedules updated sent	update maps and get sign-offs by all parties
				to INPC	
Facilitate and evaluate first full year	EIS/Parks/	2/1/24	3/15/24	Management plan	Staff have met and discussed – working on plans for
of Springdale savanna plan. Build	Planning			completed and	2024
out long-term strategies for				operationalized	
improvement and engagement.					
Expand prescribed burn program to	EIS/Parks/	1/1/24	Ongoing	Prescribed burn plans	Marketing created flyer – staff has burn plans ready and
meet the needs of the District and	Marketing			agreed upon and	waiting for weather to cooperate
build staff capacity; educate about				operationalized –	
the same.				increased # of acres	

				burned	
Build a clear strategy for engaging	Marketing/EIS/	2/1/24	8/31/24	Plan in place and signage	New signs ready to install at Savanna
interpretive and educational signage	Parks/Planning/			in production or	
in parks that promotes restoration.	Zoo/Luthy/Golf			installation phase	

Strategy 2.1: Establish criteria for moving green space in parks to native habitat restoration and/or enhancement of current no-mow areas to support native species and implement.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Establish clear rationale and written	Wirtz/Parks/Golf	2/1/24	2/28/24	Establish rationale and	All 9 acres of no-mow at Newman GC will be planted in
plan for moving areas from turf				written plan	prairie this spring. 1 acre being planted at GVD this
maintenance to native habitat					spring and 1.5 acres being planted at Bradley Park.
restoration.					
Develop process and expectations	Wirtz	1/1/24	2/28/24	Written plan presented	Kuban and Wirtz will work on this.
for moving current no-mow to					
native restored areas.					
Identify and build out measurable	Wirtz/Mol/Kuban	4/1/24	12/31/24	Work days scheduled,	Volunteer workdays are up on website – many added
goals and reasonable timeline for	/Huett/			volunteer listed	this year. Recruitment is in progress.
volunteer stewardship of a portion	Shoemaker/			developed, marketing	
of these areas.	Marketing			plan	
				developed/implemented	
Build clear metrics for ongoing	Wirtz/Mol/Kuban	4/1/24	12/31/24	Metrics established,	
evaluation of impact of strategies	/Huett/			reporting format &	
above and track/report.	Shoemaker/			timelines finalized	
	Marketing				

Strategy 2.2: Continue progression in arboretum process for Donovan Park.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Build timeline and metrics for	Kuban/Marketing	2/1/24	12/31/24	Update Donovan	
progression.	/Wirtz			management schedule	
Assign to responsible staff with clear	Kuban/Schafer/	2/1/24	12/31/24	Action plan	

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Strategy 3.1: Develop and implement process for retaining an outside consultant to support mitigation efforts of climate change. These strategies may include, but are not limited to grant funding, fleet management, and facility/property management.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Hire new Land Manager position to	Planning/HR	2/1/24	4/30/24	Hire Land Manager	Job Description completed and will be posted in first
support Planning and Parks Division.					week of April.
Finalize CEJA grant with state of	Planning/Grants	1/1/24	3/1/24	Grant finalized	CEJA grant is finalized as of 2/20/24
Illinois.	Manager				
Build out scope of work for	Planning	2/1/24	5/1/24	RFP released	
consultant and issue RFP/Q.					
Select consultant and complete	Planning/Exec	7/31/24	12/31/24	Consultant hired and	
initial analysis of opportunities.	Team			initial list of opportunities	
				in hand	
Identify other funding sources,	Grant Committee		12/31/24		
including the Inflation Reduction					
Act, to fund this effort as well.					

Pillar Two: Environmental Education and Interpretation

Goal: Create and provide programs, facilities, and exhibits which help people gain understanding and appreciation								
of nature, and in turn, develop an environmental ethic, throughout our operational scope.								
	Define metrics for tracking program effectiveness, including participant							
	tracking and educational goals for the Department. Assess current							
Strategy 1.1	inventory and revise offerings to maximize impact.	EIS						
Strategy 1.2	Develop targets/rationale for public-private partnership in our	EIS						
	environmental efforts.							
	Build out and implement a marketing strategy focused on	EIS and Marketing Team						
Strategy 1.3	environmental stewardship and benefits of nature.							

Strategy 1.1: Define metrics for tracking program effectiveness, including participant tracking and educational goals for the Department. Assess current inventory and revise offerings to maximize impact.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Establish inventory of current	EIS/Zoo/Luthy/	2/1/24	6/1/24	Inventory documented	Meeting Friday, March 15 to start process
interpretive services efforts.	Playhouse/Proctor				
Build matrix for evaluation of impact	EIS/Zoo/Luthy/	3/1/24	7/1/24	Matrix developed	
including topic and participation	Playhouse/Proctor				
levels.					
Develop "poster child" interpretive	EIS/Zoo/Luthy/	2/1/24	5/1/24	Plan developed and	
exhibits and marketing efforts.	Playhouse/			operationalized	
	Proctor/				
	Marketing/Wirtz				
Build out a QR code campaign that	Marketing/EIS/IT/	3/1/24	12/31/24	Campaign developed	
provides interactive content for	Zoo/Luthy/				
visitors to support and enhance staff	Playhouse/Parks				
reach/efforts.	Proctor				

Strategy 1.2: Develop targets/rationale for public-private partnership in our environmental efforts.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Better define roles and expectations	Volunteer	2/1/24	8/1/24	Definition of roles	
for Friends Groups.	Dept/PPD			finalized and ready to	
	Foundation/EIS/			implement	
	Parks				
Build a cooperative environment	Volunteer/EIS/	2/1/24	ongoing	MOU document	
(M.O.U.)"with Volunteer	Zoo/Parks/			developed and	
Stewardship Network" groups				operationalized (group	
(Peoria Wilds, INPC, etc) & Foster				specific)	
relationships with other Land					
Conservation NGO's and Agencies					
(Land Trusts, IDNR, etc)					

Strategy 1.3: Build out and implement a marketing strategy focused on environmental stewardship and benefits of nature.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Establish goals for marketing	Marketing/Conservati	2/1/24	10/1/24	Marketing plan	Marketing has a copy of the plan and an initial meeting
campaign focused on stewardship.	on working group			developed and ready to	has taken place. Marketing is working on a campaign
				deploy	featuring Forest.
Build graphic design and messaging	Marketing/Conservati	2/1/24	10/1/24		Work in progress.
tailored to those goals.	on working group				
Build out budget and secure paid	Marketing/Conservati	2/1/24	10/1/24		
marketing contracts necessary to	on working group				
achieve objectives. Identify signage					
or other needs and find finding					
source.					
Capture video of PPD staff to	Marketing/Conservati	2/1/24	10/1/24		
compliment efforts.	on working group				
Execute campaign.	Marketing				

Evaluate effectiveness and build out	Marketing/Conservati	10/1/24	12/31/24	
sustainable plan for maintaining	on working group		and into	
message across locations.			2025	

Pillar Three: Conservation of Energy

Goal: Improve building efficiencies by designing landscape that works in conjunction with building design to								
enhance ene	enhance energy efficiencies (e.g. solar gain, wind infiltration, stormwater management).							
Strategy 1.1	Evaluate current landscaping and build out a plan for proper tree	Parks/Planning						
	placement around buildings and replacement of turf grass ditches with							
	bioswales, and other efforts that will support energy efficiency.							
Goal: Impler	ment steps to reduce the overall carbon footprint of the District through	carbon fuel reduction						
strategies by	focusing efforts on reducing fossil fuel usage for transportation, ground	s maintenance, and building						
controls.								
Strategy 2.1	Create fleet replacement plan that prioritizes fuel efficient, hybrid, or	Parks/Fleet Manager/ Energy						
	electric vehicles. Prioritize research of viability of purchase of electric	Consultant						
	buses.							

Strategy 1.1: Evaluate current landscaping and build out a plan for proper tree placement around buildings and replacement of turf grass ditches with bioswales, and other efforts that will support energy efficiency.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Inventory and assess current landscaping strategies.	Wirtz/Kuban/ Planning	2/1/24	7/31/24		Work has started at the RiverPlex. Need to memorialize the philosophy and approach so it can be replicated and implemented throughout the parks.
Provide feedback on strategies that	Wirtz/Kuban/	2/1/24	7/31/24	Feedback developed and	

support energy efficiency.	Planning/Shoema ker			present to appropriate staff/committees	
Work with Purchasing to track energy costs after modifications.	Wirtz/Kuban/ Planning/Shoema ker/Purchasing	8/1/24	Ongoing	Energy cost analysis documentation	

Strategy 2.1: Create fleet replacement plan that prioritizes fuel efficient, hybrid, or electric vehicles. Prioritize research of viability of purchase of electric buses.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Assess inventory and function to	Simms/Freeman/	3/1/24	Ongoing	Procurement strategy	
identify areas where fuel efficient,	Consultant/Purch			developed	
hybrid, or electric vehicles could be	asing/				
used to meet objectives.					
Research viability of electric buses in	Simms/Freeman/	3/1/24	12/31/24	Plan documented and	
this inventory.	Consultant/Purch			feasibility of plan	
	asing/Wheeler			implementation	
				discussed	
Build out capital strategy for	Planning/Freema	4/1/24	11/30/24	Strategy developed and	Need to meet with consultant prior to this work.
purchase to include access of over-	n/Simms/Purchasi			documented	
reserve funds dedicated in summer	ng/				
2023 to energy efficiency.					

Pillar Four: Use of Environmentally Sensitive and Safe Products

Goal: The District will keep up with industry best management practices for reducing environmental impacts of chemicals, products, and materials throughout the District's operations.

	Update standards and expectations for use of pesticides in District locations.	EIS/Parks/Golf/Luthy/Zoo
Strategy 1.1		
	rement of materials for District-wide use, should emphasize use of re- ucts available when financially reasonable.	cycled/recyclable, and lowest
	Build out a district-wide policy/expectation for use of eco-sustainable items in District gift shops. (This should include not using plastic bags, building a plan for sale of non plastic plush toys, bird friendly, fair trade items).	Retail ad hoc working group/ EIS leadership
Strategy 2.2	Establish an administrative procedure to document that eco-friendly product assessments are happening when consumable products are purchased through the purchasing warehouse.	Green Team/ Purchasing

Strategy 1.1: Update standards and expectations for use of pesticides in District locations.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Standardize District procedure for	Wirtz	1/1/24	Ongoing	Document made	Kuban and Wirtz will update current documentation and
pesticide use based on best				accessible to District staff	expand into other areas. Once complete they will
management practices established				and updated as required	provide this to all appropriate PPD Staff.
by research and science.					
Document District efforts on a	Mol/Wirtz/Parks/	1/1/24	Ongoing	Centralized spreadsheet	
centralized spreadsheet.	Golf/Luthy/Zoo			developed and made	
				accessible	
Report on progress at least annually.	Wirtz/Mol/Shoem	October 2024	October	Presentation at Planning	
	aker/Kuban/Striet		2024	Committee	
	matter/Heiden				

Strategy 2.1: Build out a district-wide policy/expectation for use of eco-sustainable items in District gift shops. (This should include not using plastic bags, building a plan for sale of non plastic plush toys, bird friendly, fair trade items).

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Gather information from all retail	All retail	2/1/24	2/28/24	Report generated of all	Group is meeting on 3/8 to start discussions and work on
sites regarding their current	sites/Shoemaker/			inventory	this strategy.
utilization of non-eco-sustainable	Freeman				
products.					
Build a strategy for phasing out of	All retail sites	2/1/24	6/1/24	Strategy developed	Group will discuss starting 3/8.
these items.					
Include in strategy the sourcing of	All retail sites	2/1/24	6/1/24	Strategy developed	Group will discuss starting 3/8.
eco-friendly options that meet retail					
objectives of District.					
Implement and evaluate. Revise	All retail sites	2/1/24	Ongoing	Report as needed	
strategy as needed and					
operationalize.					

Strategy 2.2: Establish an administrative procedure to document that eco-friendly product assessments are happening when consumable products are purchased through the purchasing warehouse.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Draft administrative	Purchasing	1/1/24	8/1/24	Administrative	
procedure/assessment tool for use				procedure/assessment	
when procuring products.				tool developed	
Educate staff about new	Purchasing/Marke	8/1/24	Ongoing	Staff updates/education	
procedure/assessment tool	ting/			provided as required	
documentation expectation.					
Update RFPs, bids and quotes as	Purchasing	8/1/24	Ongoing	Language merged into	
needed to incorporate pertinent				documents as	
elements of this administrative				appropriate	
procedure/assessment tool.					

Monitor and report results of	Purchasing	Quarter 3 –	Ongoing	Report as deemed
product assessments completed.		2025		appropriate

Pillar Five: Reduction and Proper Disposal of Waste

	ge facilities, programs, and events in ways that reduce production of atribute to community litter.	
	Manage landscape waste produced in parks/facilities to prevent	
Strategy 1.1	accelerative the release of atmospheric CO2	
Goal: Help p	romote community wide recycling efforts and provide on-site recyclir	ng in parks, facilities, and at eve
• •		ng in parks, facilities, and at eve
where possi		ng in parks, facilities, and at eve Green Team/EIS/Parks
where possi	ple.	

Strategy 1.1: Manage landscape waste produced in parks/facilities to prevent accelerative the release of atmospheric CO2

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Create expectations and timelines	Wirtz/Kuban	1/1/24	3/31/24	Plan and timeline	Work in progress.
for phased PPD-wide composting				produced	
efforts.					
Explore bio-char possibilities and	Wirtz/Kuban	6/30/24	10/31/24	Plan and timeline	
propose a plan if appropriate.				produced if necessary	
Develop strategy for community	Wirtz/Kuban	1/1/24	4/15/24	Piles of wood chips at	Locations identified and mulch will be delivered later in

accessible wood-chips and mulch	identified sites	March/early April once PPD facilities have been taken
distribution effort.		care of.

Strategy 2.1: Develop a strategy for increasing access to recycling bins in parks, facilities and event venues. Include access at nearby community locations in analysis.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Provide data on internal recycling.	Purchasing	2/1/24	6/1/24	Analysis of internal recycling habits &	
				strategies	
Build plan that supports green team	Events/Green	2/1/24	6/1/24	Plan of action developed	
efforts to promote recycling at	Team/Wirtz/			and ready for	
events.				deployment	
Build education plan to train staff on	Events/Green	2/1/24	5/1/24	Educational plan	
recycling.	Team/Wirtz/			developed and ready for	
	Marketing/Camp			training	
	Staff				

OUR COMMITMENT TO VIBRANCY

Pillar One: Connection: Improve or establish better connection points to our community and each other.

	Build a measurable strategy for improved volunteer engagement	Melinda Huett and
Strategy 1.1	and coordination; Implement.	Leadership Team
Strategy 1.2	Raise profile of the District through execution and marketing of PPD	Signature Events working group
	signature events to encourage increased participation.	and Marketing Team
Goal: Develo maintenance	op a consistent accessible Naming Rights process to generate reven e of District assets.	ue to support the ongoing
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Goal: Develo maintenance Strategy 2.1	op a consistent accessible Naming Rights process to generate reven e of District assets. Work with board to develop policy for naming opportunities to include naming rights and parameters associated with the same,	ue to support the ongoing
Goal: Develo maintenance Strategy 2.1	op a consistent accessible Naming Rights process to generate reven e of District assets. Work with board to develop policy for naming opportunities to	ue to support the ongoing

Strategy 3.1	Develop clearer strategies for use of technology to improve	
	information sharing across locations to include consideration of	IT and Leadership Teams, with
	Office 365 or an alternative: intranet vs. synology, use of general	support from Marketing
	email addresses on website/print materials,	Team
	facilitate annual RecTrac training/Q&A/review.	

Strategy 1.1: Build a measurable strategy for improved volunteer engagement and coordination; Implement.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Inventory current efforts.					Have compiled a list of programs through February.
Evaluate current recruitment					
process to include a volunteer					
survey and recommend					
modifications to current structure.					
Pilot two social volunteer events in					
2024 focused on restoration or					
parks clean up combined with social					
event.					

Strategy 1.2: Raise profile of the District through execution and marketing of PPD signature events to encourage increased participation.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Establish and implement the	Brent Wheeler				This group meets at least bi-weekly and is focused on
Signature Events Working Group.					coordinating resources.
Schedule at least monthly meetings.					
Identify opportunities for larger					
investment in signature events.					
Develop a marketing strategy					Our marketing team participates in all of these
focused on these events and their					meetings and is increasing reach across all
impact.					signature events.
Recruit participation across the					A calendar of engagement opportunities is in
District in order to support culture					development
growth and engagement.					

Strategy 2.1: Work with board to develop policy for naming opportunities to include naming rights and parameters associated with the same, including application of income stream for maximized impact on sustainability.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Per board directive, build naming					Not yet started.
policy through board action.					
Using this as guide, identify parallel					
structure for paid naming					
opportunities and schedule for					
same.					
Implement and recruit potential					
donors.					

Strategy 3.1: Develop clearer strategies for use of technology to improve information sharing across locations to incluce consideration of Office 365 or an alternative: intranet vs. synology, use of general email addresses on website/print materials, facilitate annual RecTrac training/Q&A/review.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Facilitate staff survey to gather					Survey was completed in March 2024.
better information about how staff					
uses current resources.					
IT staff build a proposal based on					In process.
that feedback and available					
resources for path forward.					
Leadership review and revise					
proposal and present to board.					
Implement across District.					

Pillar Two: Resiliency: Improve our ability to adapt to change in ways that support faster recovery from environmental, social or economic shifts.

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lop long-term timeline for improvements in golf and at Peoria Zoo	Finance Committee, Planning
Owens Center. Build out plan for resource allocation to support	and Executive Team
e necessary improvements.	
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Strategy 1.1: Develop long-term timeline and supports for improvements in golf and at Peoria Zoo and Owens Center. Build out plan for resource allocation to support these necessary improvements.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Support the facilitation of concept					AT close of Q1, engagement of designer is in process
design for Peoria Zoo					with the goal of having the designer under contract by
improvements.					end of April.
Support facilitation of a marketing					Marketing RFQ has been distributed and responses
campaign for Zoo capital campaign.					are due in mid-April.
Propose scope and scale of					
campaign to Park Board for					
approval.					
Support facilitation of Zoo capital					
campaign.					
Publish RFQ for architect to develop					
plan for Owens Ice Center					
reimagination focused on					
modification of ice plant and					

use/visitor experience.			
Develop timeline and funding stack			
for project.			

Strategy 2.1: Build out a plan to increase major and planned giving to the District.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Develop plan for use of 130 th					Staff is working to plan May 31 Friends and Family event
anniversary to increase					targeting gratitude to those connected with the District.
understanding of District's capacity					
as a receipt of major donations and					
planned giving.					
Establish strategies for increasing					
gifts to Legacy Fund.					
Engage PPD Foundation and board					
of trustees in fundraising plan where					
appropriate.					

Pillar Three: Health: Support access to education, housing, jobs, safety, and equitable allocation of resources to support a healthier community.

Goal: Plan for the future of the RiverPlex.								
0,	Build out a plan for assessment of future operations and financial stability at RiverPlex.	Strategy Committee						
Goal: Assess	Goal: Assess the 3 rd of July and other special events with the goal of maximizing safety and community engagement.							
	Conduct an assessment of and build out recommendations for							
Strategy 2.1	improving the safety of community public events hosted by the District.	Programming Committee						
	Create a program/event checklist from start to finish including	Marketing and Programming						
0,	identification of a call to action at the end of the event to bridge to the next program/activity.	Teams						
Strategy 2.3	Create a process and expectation for conducting an environmental	Staff						
	impact analysis when event planning.							

Strategy 1.1: Build out a plan for assessment of future operations and financial stability at RiverPlex.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Per Board directive, identify and					Initial data points will be presented at the 4/30 Board
track measurable metrics that can					(Not A) Retreat.
provide quantitative guidance					
related to the sustainability of the					
RiverPlex.					
Based on this data, provide					
recommendation to the board about					
future operations of the RiverPlex.					

Assess the viability of using the facility to host senior programming or other focused efforts.			

Strategy 2.1: Conduct an assessment of and build out recommendations for improving the safety of community public events hosted by the District.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Facilitate a public input process to					In progress.
reimagine the 3 rd of July event.					
Provide recommendations to the					In progress.
Board.					
Evaluate impact of					
recommendations and identify					
opportunities for application to					
other PPD Events.					

Strategy 2.2: Create a program/event checklist from start to finish including identification of a call to action at the end of the event to bridge to the next program/activity.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Coordinate schedule of events to					Have developed a community events calendar and
reduce internal competition and					eliminated duplications
maximize opportunities for					
promotion.					
Build checklists for: logistics,					Will start in 2Q in our working group.
security, permitting, contracted					
entertainment, risk, in-event					
communication, and marketing.					
Identify ways to communicate					
upcoming events with similar target					

audiences to participants.			
Develop standardized evaluation			Will start in 2Q.
tools and expectations.			

Strategy 2.3: Create a process and expectation for conducting an environmental impact analysis when event planning.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Identify relevant data points that					
assess environmental impact of					
events.					
Pilot the tracking of these elements					
across five events in 2024.					
Identify ways to improve impact as a					
result of this data tracking.					
Implement in future planning.					
Standardize a tool that assesses and					
builds expectation for reduction of					
impact.					

Pillar Four: Inspiration: Prioritize our role as a culture builder in our community, with a focus on providing a great place to live, work and play.

Goal: Serve as a community builder and connector								
	Develop a sustainable model for Play It Forward program and implement.	Athletics Staff						
Strategy 1.2	Develop a sustainability plan for mobile recreation programming.	Recreation Department.						
	Develop clear measurable objectives related to marketing campaigns that showcase the District and its expertise.	Advancement						

Strategy 1.1: Develop a sustainable model for Play It Forward program and implement.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Evaluate current goals for the					Not yet started.
program and its levels of					
success/support.					
Build a plan that increases both					Not yet started.
success and support including					
increased marketing and					
engagement.					
Implement and identify metrics for					Not yet started.
continuation/expansion/termination					
of program.					

Strategy 1.2: Develop a sustainability plan for mobile recreation programming.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Document current status and goals					In progress-working to develop a curriculum.

of program		
Work with YMCA to evaluate impact of current model and establish timeline for identification of future funding sources.		Will evaluate at end of season
Collaborate to find additional sources of funding/oversight.		

Strategy 1.3: Develop clear measurable objectives related to marketing campaigns that showcase the District and its expertise.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Start Date	End Date	Deliverables	Status
Complete and present impact report	Senior Marketing		2/2024	Impact Report	Completed and presented to Board.
to Board on 2023 efforts and data	Manager				
collected.					
Use feedback to build structure for					In process.
evaluation in 2024.					
Build out reporting structure moving					Marketing metrics included in monthly dashboard
forward to include highlights of					data.
targeted campaigns and overall					
reach/engagements vs. budgeted					
spend.					