

CITY OF MUSKEGON
CITY COMMISSION WORKSESSION

Monday, July 11, 2022
5:30 p.m.
City Commission Chambers
933 Terrace Street, Muskegon, MI 49440

MINUTES

2022-66

Present: Mayor Johnson, Vice Mayor German, Commissioners Gorman, St.Clair, and Emory

Absent: Commissioner Hood and Commissioner Ramsey

City Park Concession Policy

Staff is seeking guidance regarding a formal concession policy to be applied to potential concessionaires operating within the City Park system. Staff is presenting a draft policy for accepting, reviewing, and approving applications to be a concessionaire within the City Park system. Currently applications are accepted by DPW and approved at the Commission level, with no formalized policy. This is the next step following the concession fee waiver policy adopted at the May 24, 2022 meeting.

If enacted by future Commission decision, the policy would apply to any operation that looks to sell a good or service within the traditionally recognized city park system. This policy is not envisioned to apply to other similar operations like Western Market that operate outside of the city park system.

Discussion took place regarding the proposed City Park Concession Policy and this item will appear on the agenda at a later date.

Playground Inspection Results

Staff wishes to share results of a comprehensive playground inspection and discuss how Parks Department funds should be prioritized for playgrounds in the future.

The inspection report recommended major repairs or closure of several playgrounds, together with minor repairs to many more. Given the cost of recent playground installations, staff seeks the Commission's guidance on how to prioritize playground funding in the future, together with share a brief financial analysis of playground spending in the context of the Parks Department budget.

Dan VanderHeide, Deputy Director of the Department of Public Works, presented information obtained from an inspection that was conducted on all of the playground equipment in the parks in the City. Discussion took place regarding the recommendations that were made by the inspector. This topic will continue to be addressed as appropriate.

Minimum Housing Unit Sizes

Staff is seeking Commission input on a proposed ordinance amendment that would reduce the minimum sizes for residential units to help address affordability issues.

Discussion took place and this will be addressed at a later date.

Public Comment – Public comment was received

Adjournment: The City Commission Worksession Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Young, Deputy City Clerk