

Chanhassen Park System Plan
Advisory Committee Meeting #1
Sept. 8, 2016
Meeting Notes

1. Introductions

2. Community Engagement
 - Potential Groups for pop-up or stakeholder meeting
 - Church groups
 - Multi-unit housing
 - Cultural groups
 - Note that Ryder Cup and start of school is distracting right now
 - Art Wander, started in Waconia, weekend before Ryder Cup, open art studios, Courtney could hand out the postcards at her open studio
 - Friday night football game
 - Athletic associations – stakeholder mtg
 - Chamber of Commerce, business community – stakeholder mtg
 - Pop-up meeting/event calendar- we will email the calendar out to the Advisory Committee to ask for volunteers.
 - Send out PDFs of the postcard to the Advisory Committee to forward—both in the body of the email and as a PDF for people to send out to their email lists

3. Parks and Recreation Trends
 - Cost of maintaining what we have is also important – needs to be considered and included. Are we going to be able to continue? Should we be looking at other alternatives at time – example ag lime trail rather than paved asphalt?
 - Could something like the Minneapolis Parks Foundation be developed in Chanhassen?
 - Pavement management plan – in place but underfunded
 - Environmental considerations - AIS – aquatic invasive species; emerald ash borer – for every dollar spend on parks – spend the same dollar on stormwater management (financed through utility fee)
 - Fun runs – one time events becoming more popular - this demand on community for runs, races, etc. challenging
 - “gimmicky” stuff for youth – e.g. zombie run
 - Struggle with middle school and older youth
 - Need to be sure of what other communities have – maybe Chanhassen doesn’t need to provide everything
 - Archery range – maybe an opportunity to partner