

REGULAR MEETING
Board of Park Commissioners
December 7, 2016
Rec Center
2442 Sims Ave.
Meeting Room
6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Discussion and Possible action on:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of the November 1, 2016 Minutes
3. Amend current Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan
4. Approval 2017 Seasonal Pay Scale
5. Review survey questions for Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan
6. Director's report
7. Adjournment

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Agenda notes

3. The group planning and fund raising for The Cultural Commons in Pfiffner Pioneer Park would like to apply for a Stewardship Grant from the WIDNR. In order to apply for the grant, this project or a similar project would need to be referenced in our Comprehensive Outdoor Park Plan. Our current plan doesn't reference such a project, so we would need to amend our current plan and add a reference of the project to the plan. We have in the past amended our plan to include projects that have come up after we approved the plan in order to apply and receive grant funds.

Staff would recommend, that we amend our current plan Section 7.2(O)Pfiffner/Pioneer Park, by adding #6 to state: Create a garden and education space within the park to serve as an interactive and dynamic educational experience for all people. This space should establish a natural point of beginning along the Wisconsin River, leading to a greater understanding of and connection to our community's past, present, and future multicultural heritage.

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, November 1, 2016**

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the September 7, 2016 Minutes**
3. **Adoption of 2017 Price Structure**
4. **Survey questions for Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan**
5. **Director's report**
6. **Adjournment**

1. **Roll Call**

Present: Freckmann, Glodosky, Hall, Kirsch, Ald. McComb, McDonald, Okonek, Ald. Slowinski, Smith, Sorenson

Excused: Ald. Oberstadt

Also Present: Director Tom Schrader, Betty Bruski Mallek, Ald. Cathy Dugan, Nicholas Gilman, Logan Jones, Marie Clair, Ariel Hinz

2. **Approval of the September 7, 2016 Minutes**

Motion by McDonald, seconded by Sorenson, to approve the September 7, 2016 minutes and place them on file.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

3. **Adoption of 2017 Price Structure**

Director Schrader referred Commissioners to the agenda packet that included the proposed 2017 price structure information. This proposal also includes the proposed rates for 2018, 2019 and 2020. Only the 2017 rates are being considered at this time for approval. The proposal of rates for the following years gives customers a preview of proposed costs for planning and budgeting in the future for their organizations. A suggestion to raise the pool fees from \$2.25 and \$2.75 to \$3.00 for an entire day would be in line with what other pools charge which is the daily charge. Right now we charge \$2.25 for 5 and under per session and \$2.75 for 6 and above per session. Our sessions run from 1 to 4 p.m. and then 5 to 8 p.m. The proposal of \$3.00 per day per person would allow swimmers the option of attending both sessions during the day for \$3.00. If someone would just attend just the 5 to 8 p.m. session the fee would be \$2.00. We're also proposing that 3 and under would be free and/or 2 and under would be free.

Commissioner Glodosky stated he likes the idea of 3 and under being free and the proposal of a 1 day fee, Director Schrader stated last year there were 20 free swim sessions on Saturdays and Sundays sponsored by local businesses. We also offer individual or family passes.

Ald. McComb asked for clarification about the fees at the K.B. Willett for Tot 1-3 and up to Freestyle. Director Schrader stated that these are fees for skating lessons and the fees vary on the length of the lesson sessions and ages of skaters.

Commissioner Freckmann asked about the fees for the hockey clinic in 2019 and 2020 because the price structure shows that it's not offered. Director Schrader stated that should be changed for this year and the next 2 years. Hockey clinics haven't been offered since Ice Hawk Arena opened.

Commissioner Hall asked for clarification of the fees for track under Football/Track rental for State/Conference.

Director Schrader stated we had a regional (high school) meet 2 years ago and usually State Track is held in La Crosse, however, this would be the fee if it was held here in Stevens Point. Any track meet other than for SPASH would be charged a team fee plus staff costs if staff is required.

Commissioner McDonald asked about the hockey clinic fees. Do we not want to offer this clinic and do we need to make up these fees with something else? Director Schrader stated the UW is still offering the clinic and is getting a better deal at the other location. We're breaking even without offering the clinic because we don't need to open the rinks as early as was required before for the clinics.

Ald. Slowinski asked about the boat slips fees and if we're in line with what others charge for the boat slips. Director Schrader stated our fees are just as competitive as the others and we still have a waiting list.

Ald. Slowinski asked if the Parks has ever thought about raising revenue by charging non-residents a fee for park usage. We know that budgets are tight and maybe this could raise some revenue. Director Schrader stated this would be hard to enforce. Ald. Slowinski thought maybe with the tax bills we could include a park pass sticker for car windows. It could be doable but probably hard to enforce.

Commissioner Sorenson stated as with visitors we market our parks and it would be disadvantageous to charge for someone coming in to get to the Green Circle. He would be in favor of fees for non-residents for other services.

Ald. Slowinski asked the Commissioners and Director Schrader to consider boat launching fees like the County is doing to bring in revenue. Ald. Phillips asked him to bring this suggestion to the Commissioners. The County is charging a \$5.00 fee per use or a \$25.00 year round pass. Director Schrader stated that the County has park rangers to enforce this fee.

Commissioner Kirsch would be in favor of the boat launch fees and also increasing the number of boat slips we offer to bring in revenue that could be used to clean up the shore lines and pay for extra fees. He stated the police pass through the parks and could issue citations for not having the pass or sticker for the boat.

Commissioner Glodosky stated that the County offers a drop box for the boat launch fees for after hours. It's on an honor system and this could work for us. Commissioner Kirsch agreed that if we create the opportunity for users to pay this fee, many would, some would not but it might reinforce the "nice" atmosphere of Stevens Point residents.

Ald. Slowinski asked if we have any more room and about adding more boat slips at the Wells Point location. Director Schrader stated that would go against our park plan to build any more slips and let private enterprise do it.

Director Schrader stated to keep in mind when we're taking about raising fees that the Common Council voted unanimously to turn down the proposal for a \$10.00 resident wheel tax that could bring in about \$240,000.00. All of the park fee increases will amount to less than \$3,000. The wheel tax also a user fee and he was disappointed it was shot down without much discussion during the first budget meeting.

Ald. Slowinski stated in defense of his vote he didn't like it because it was so localized for the City. It's just not city residents on our streets. It really should be a county tax. Director Schrader stated if it's a county tax the City probably won't get any of this money just like Wausau.

Motion by Glodosky, seconded by Kirsch to approve the recommendation of the \$3.00 all day fee for the pool, the \$2.00 fee for the evening session and 3 and under free for 2017.

Ayes all, Nays none; Motion carried.

Motion by Glodosky seconded by Ald. Hall, to approve and adopt the 2017 Price Structure.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

4. Survey questions for Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan

Director Schrader stated in Capital Improvements the Council approved \$18,000.00 to do our five year comprehensive park plan so he put together some questions for a survey that he would like to send out to residents. Not all residents, we would go through voters. Last time we used 30 voters from each district. If they vote, they probably will return surveys. We'll also take input from on line and through public meetings. Many of the questions in this survey come from a survey from the Milwaukee county parks. We can review, add or change anything in this survey. Look it over and we can bring it back after changes are made. With the survey last time more people commented on what they liked about the parks than what they disliked.

Director Schrader thought some of the questions were pretty unique like question #5 asking if you had a budget of \$100.00 for improving the parks how would you allocate the funding among the listed categories. It might give us a better idea of how people feel about how the money is spent. If the services we offer are used or if they feel something should be reduced. Do our services meet your expectations?

Commissioner Freckmann suggested using \$1,000.00 in question #5. It would be a more realistic amount to work with.

Commissioner McDonald said she would like to see one question asking the person completing the survey if they personally would pay more for services to a special parks fund.

Commission Sorenson asked if there could be a questions asking the person completing the survey how often they use the parks.

Director Schrader stated we have time to finalize this survey. He talked with SEH, our consultant, and they will start compiling data this winter, will meet with the Commission in spring and have a public hearing too with a completion date of May-June. So anything you wanted added, changed, etc. just email him and we'll make the changes.

5. Director's report

Director Schrader reported:

- Mead Parking lot is complete and a rain garden was installed there.
- First Choice Tree Service finished soil injections of Ash trees. Ash trees now make up 11.05% of our street trees. We have 7486 street trees and 827 are ash.
- Forestry is partnering one more year with the Golden Sands Resource, Conservation, and Development Council and UWSP students will be placing green ribbons around ash trees during the month of April.
- 140 trees were planted during this fall planting season.
- We hosted 2 SPASH games at Community stadium. We could host a Level 4 game there if SPASH wins or someone else petitions for it.
- Water lines all have been blown out except for KASH because of the warm weather. We probably will leave the bathrooms open as long as possible since we haven't had any vandalism

6. Adjournment

Motion by Hall, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

Sheet1

Current Parks, Rec & Forestry Price Struture

PROGRAM	RES/NON /UNIVER	CURRENT 2016 Prices	PROPOSED 2017 Prices	PROPOSED 2018 Prices	PROPOSED 2019 Prices	PROPOSED 2020 Prices
SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMS						
Adult Tennis	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Adult Tennis	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Youth Tennis	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Youth Tennis	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Adult Tennis Leag	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Adult Tennis Leag	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Nature Camp	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Nature Camp	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Sport Camp	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Sport Camp	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Suumer Play	u	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Fun/Mother Natr	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Fun/Mother Natr	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Kiddie Korner	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Kiddie Korner	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Summer Playground	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
K.B. WILLETT ARENA						
Public Skating: Tues & Thurs / Sat & Sun	U	\$2.50/\$3.00	\$3.00/\$3.50	\$3.00/\$3.50	\$3.00/\$3.50	\$3.00/\$3.50
Open Freestyle	U	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Open Hockey	U	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Individual Pass	U	\$100.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$120.00
Family Pass	U	\$150.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$170.00
10 Use Fee	U	\$27.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00
Tot 1-3	R	31.00-46.50	31.00-46.50	31.00-46.50	33.00-48.50	33.00-48.50
Tot 1-3	N	41.00-56.50	41.00-56.50	41.00-56.50	43.00-58.50	43.00-58.50
Pre Alpha	R	33.00-49.00	33.00-49.00	33.00-49.00	35.00-51.00	35.00-51.00
Pre Alpha	N	43.00-59.00	43.00-59.00	43.00-59.00	45.00-61.00	45.00-61.00
Alpha	R	33.00-49.00	33.00-49.00	33.00-49.00	35.00-51.00	35.00-51.00
Alpha	N	43.00-59.00	43.00-59.00	43.00-59.00	45.00-61.00	45.00-61.00
Beta	R	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	39.00-54.50	39.00-54.50
Beta	N	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	49.00-64.50	49.00-64.50
Gamma	R	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	39.00-54.50	39.00-54.50
Gamma	N	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	49.00-64.50	49.00-64.50
Delta	R	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	39.00-54.50	39.00-54.50
Delta	N	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	49.00-64.50	49.00-64.50
Freestyle 1-4	R	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	39.00-54.5	39.00-54.5
Freestyle 1-4	N	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	49.00-64.50	49.00-64.50
Adult	R	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50	39.00-54.50	39.00-54.50
Adult	N	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	47.00-62.50	49.00-64.50	49.00-64.50
Artistic/Power/Moves	R	72.50-90.00	72.50-90.00	72.50-90.00	74.50-92.00	74.50-92.00
Artistic/Power/Moves	N	82.50-100.00	82.50-100.00	82.50-100.00	84.50-102.00	84.50-102.00
Stars on Ice I & II	R	37.00-77.50	37.00-77.50	37.00-77.50	39.00-79.50	39.00-79.50
Stars on Ice I & II	N	67.00-87.50	67.00-87.50	67.00-87.50	49.00-89.50	49.00-89.50
Open Freestyle Less	R	72.50-137.00	72.50-137.00	72.50-137.00	74.50-139.00	74.50-139.00
Open Freestyle Less	N	82.50-147.00	82.50-147.00	82.50-147.00	84.00-149.00	84.00-149.00
Power Skating	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Power Skating	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Hockey Clinic	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Hockey Clinic	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Skate Rental	U	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00
Ice Rental - Prim	U	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$165.00
Ice Rental - Sec	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Ice Rental - Ter	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Non-City Ice Fee	N	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$70.00
Arena Exhibition Fee	U	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Summer Ice Rate	U	*175.00/hr	*175.00/hr	*180.00/hr	*180.00/hr	*180.00/hr
Game Rate UWSP	U	\$992.00	\$992.00	\$1031.00	\$1031.00	\$1031.00
Game Rate SPASH	U	\$692.00	\$692.00	\$719.00	\$719.00	\$719.00
Game Rate JR B Teams	U	\$651.00	\$651.00	\$674.00	\$674.00	\$674.00
Game Rate Red Panthers/JV Girls	U	\$484.00	\$484.00	\$501.00	\$501.00	\$501.00
* Based on a 12 hour per day minimum						
** Game rate includes ice rental fee and cleanup costs						
***Learn to skate prices vary depending on length of session						
COPPS SWIMMING POOL						
0-5 yrs Admiss	U	\$2.25	\$3.00/\$2.00*	\$3.00/\$2.00*	\$3.00/\$2.00*	\$3.00/\$2.00*
6 - Adult Admiss	U	\$2.75	\$3.00/\$2.00*	\$3.00/\$2.00*	\$3.00/\$2.00*	\$3.00/\$2.00*
Individual Pass	R	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$75.00	\$ 75.00

Sheet1

* \$3.00 is for all day/\$2.00 for evening session/3 & under free

PROGRAM	RES/NON /UNIVER	CURRENT 2016 Prices	PROPOSED 2017 Prices	PROPOSED 2018 Prices	PROPOSED 2019 Prices	PROPOSED 2020 Prices
COPPS SWIMMING POOL						
Individual Pass	N	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Family Pass	R	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$110.00	\$110.00
Family Pass	N	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$130.00	\$135.00	\$135.00
1-50 Rental	U	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
51-100 Rental	U	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$105.00	\$105.00
101-500 Rental	U	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$120.00	\$120.00
Teen Nite	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Swim Lessons	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Swim Lessons	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
WINTER RECREATION						
Basketball Team Fee	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Basketball Indivd	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Basketball Instruc	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Volleyball Team Fee	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Volleyball Indivd	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Volleyball Instruc	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Outdoor Skating	U					
Lodge Rental >50	U	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$ 160.00
Lodge Rental 51-100	U	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$ 180.00
Lodge Rental 101>	U	\$190.00	\$190.00	\$195.00	\$195.00	\$ 200.00
Toboggan Rental	U	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$ 10.00
FOOTBALL/TRACK RENTAL						
Football-UJWSP *	U	\$875.00	\$875.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$ 925.00
Football-High School *	U	\$875.00	\$875.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$ 925.00
Football-Jr. High, Spoh, JV, 7th & 8th Grade	U	\$380.00	\$380.00	\$395.00	\$395.00	\$ 400.00
Football-State/Conf. **	U	\$1450.00	\$1450.00	\$1500.00	\$1500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Soccer: Varsity/JV	U	\$450.00	\$875/\$450	\$875/\$450	\$875/\$450	\$900/\$475
Lighting	U	\$230.00	\$230.00	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$ 250.00
Track Practice Fee	U	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$ 250.00
Track Team Meet Fee ***	U	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$ 50.00
Track State/Conf	U	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$ 475.00
Stadium rental	U	\$110.00/hr	\$115.00/hr	\$115.00/hr	\$115.00/hr	\$120.00/hr
Practise rental for contributors	U	\$20.00/hr	\$25.00/hr	\$25.00/hr	\$25.00/hr	\$30.00/hr
* Add .05/student to Football Fee & \$1/ paid admission stadium fee						
** plus additional site prep costs to prepare stadium/field						
*** Track meet fee is per team plus staff costs						
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL						
Bukolt/Mon-Fri	U	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$ 110.00
Sat-Sun & After hrs	U	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$ 110.00
Iverson&Zenoff/Mon-Fri	U	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$ 80.00
Sat-Sun & After hrs	U	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$ 80.00
Lights	U	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$ 80.00
Drying materials*	U	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$ 35.00
* Drying materials is based on our cost						
# SPSA,SPYBA,SPYGSA,Legion use the diamonds at no charge						
## Add staff costs to Sat. & Sun rental fees						
RECREATION MISC.						
Boat Slip Rental	R	\$575.00	\$575.00	\$575.00	\$575.00	\$ 600.00
Boat Slip Rental	N	\$675.00	\$675.00	\$675.00	\$675.00	\$ 700.00
Covered Slip	U	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$ 130.00
Public Beaches	U					
Non-Resident Fee	NON	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$ 35.00
Gym Rental	U	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$ 50.00
Lodge Rental-Buklt/Pfiff/ArtC	U	\$185.00	\$195.00	\$195.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Lodge Rental-Boy Scout	U	\$155.00	\$165.00	\$165.00	\$170.00	\$170.00
Lodge Rental-All-Purp	U	\$185.00	\$195.00	\$195.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Lodge Rental-Girl Sct	U	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$160.00	\$160.00
Room Rental	U	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00
Bandshell Rental	U	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
*Picnic table rental	U	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Mobile Concession per month	U	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
*max. of 20 tables						

proposed 11/1/16

Dear Resident,

We are in the process of updating our current Comprehensive Outdoor Plan for the City of Stevens Point. Below is a short questionnaire we would like to have you and/or your family complete and return in the self-addressed stamped envelope. Your input will help us improve and develop our parks system into the future.

1. In an effort to better understand how much you agree as to the importance of services the City provides as it relates to parks, Recreation and Forestry, please circle the corresponding number as it relates to the statement service below:

“I think it is important for the City of Stevens Point to.....”

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1.	Provide large parks that serve residents throughout the city with a variety of experiences	4	3	2	1
2.	Provide small neighborhood parks (playgrounds, etc.)	4	3	2	1
3.	Preserve open space and the environment	4	3	2	1
4.	Provide outdoor youth and adult sports fields for baseball, softball, soccer, football, cricket, etc.	4	3	2	1
5.	Provide walking, hiking, biking and nature trails	4	3	2	1
6.	Provide natural areas, including forests, prairies, marshes, lagoons, grassland, etc.	4	3	2	1
7.	Provide waterfront parks and beach areas, with facilities for boating, fishing and open space	4	3	2	1
8.	Provide indoor sports and recreation facilities (community centers, indoor pools, indoor sports fields and courts)	4	3	2	1
9.	Provide outdoor neighborhood swimming pools, splash pads, etc.	4	3	2	1

2. Which **THREE** of the statements from the list in Question #1 are the **MOST IMPORTANT** services/facilities for the City **to provide for you and members of your household?** [Using the numbers in Question #1 above, please write in the numbers below for your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices]

1st: _____

2nd: _____

3rd: _____

3. Please indicate if **YOU or any member of your HOUSEHOLD** has a need for each of the parks and recreational **FACILITIES** listed below (regardless of the provider) by circling **YES** or **NO**.

	Type of Facility	Do You Have a Need for this Facility?		If YES You Have a Need. How Well Are Your Needs Being Met?				
		Yes	No	100% Met	75% Met	50% Met	25% Met	0% Met
1.	Walking/hiking/cycling trails (hard surface)	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
2.	Walking/hiking/cycling trails (soft-surface)	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
3.	Mountain bike trails	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
4.	Community centers	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
5.	Diamond fields (baseball, softball, etc.)	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
6.	Rectangular fields (football, soccer, etc.)	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
7.	Skate park	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
8.	Small neighborhood parks	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
9.	Large regional parks	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
10.	Dog park	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
11.	Splash pads and spray grounds	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
12.	Marinas and boat launches	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
13.	Swimming beaches of the system	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
14.	Playgrounds	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
15.	Natural areas	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
16.	Outdoor swimming pools	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
17.	Wading pools	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
18.	Tennis courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
19.	Disc golf courses	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
20.	Sand volleyball courts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
21.	Pavilion and picnic area rentals	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
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Sincerely

Stevens Point Board of Park Commissioners

Good Afternoon Tom,

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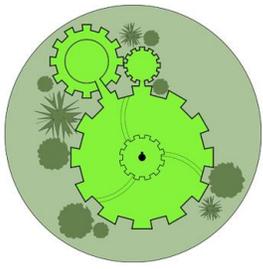
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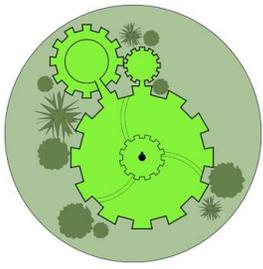
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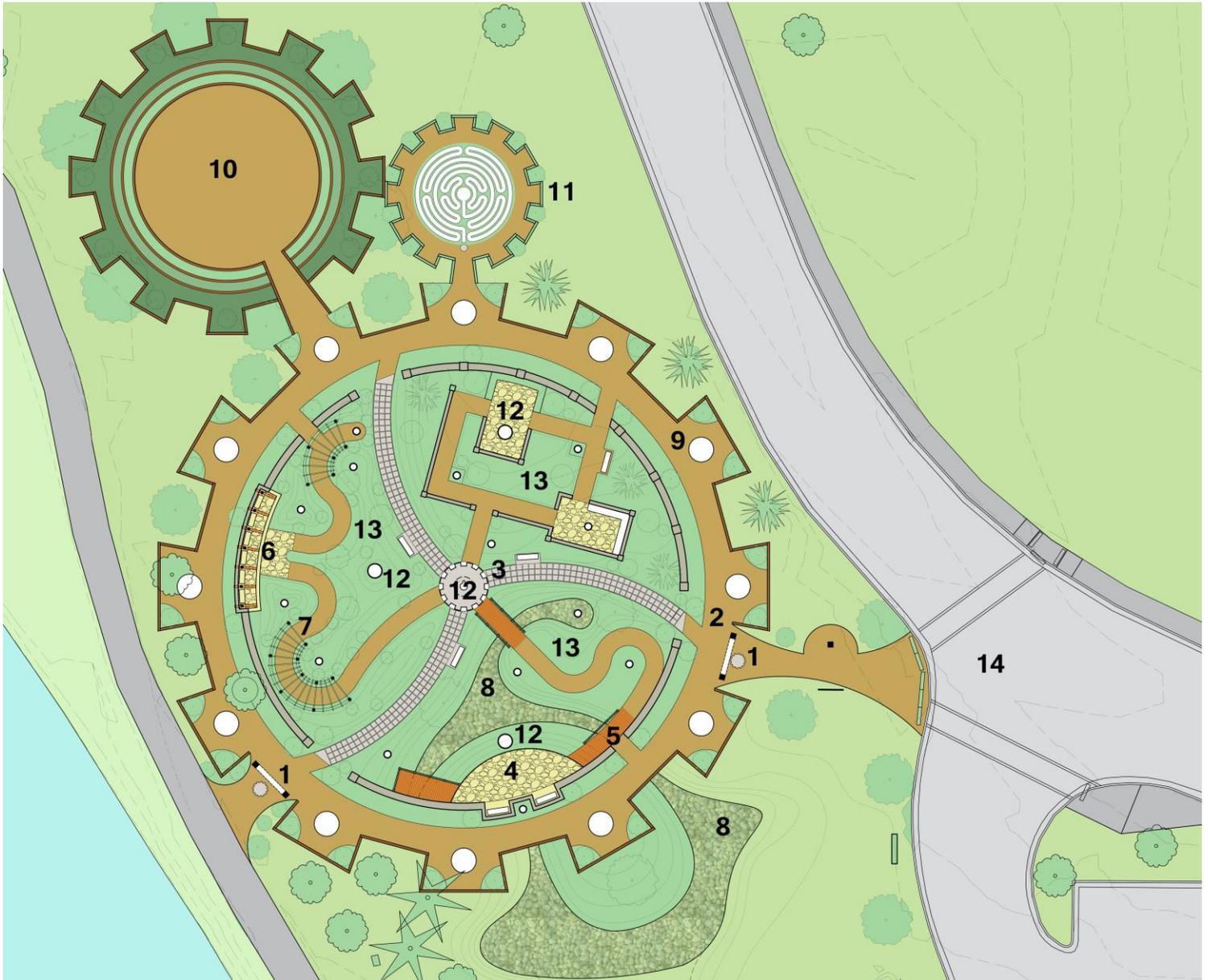
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- **Celebrate** multicultural relationships through unique sculptures and other site features.
- **Create** an outdoor place for people to come together for celebration, education, and learning through a variety of experiential spaces such as an outdoor classroom amphitheater, a reflective labyrinth, and flexible community organization exhibit areas.
- **Develop** greater awareness and appreciation of other cultures, local heritage, and international relationships.
- **Enhance** aesthetic and functional enjoyment of the Riverfront.
- **Promote** cultural tourism
- **Support** health and wellness through the gardens' proximity to existing natural areas such as the Wisconsin River and the Green Circle Trail
- **Encompass** sustainable design through native plantings, natural materials, and wildlife habitat
- **Live** as an enduring multicultural, multigenerational, fully accessible space as linked to a vibrant community life.



The Cultural Commons

An Interactive Garden and Education Space

Proposed Site Plan and Features



1. Entry Gate and Kiosk; 2. Cultural Commons Exhibit Spaces and Path; 3. Specialty Donor Pavers; 4. Flagstone Paving; 5. Wooden bridges/decking; 6. Veranda shade structure and seating; 7. Pergola; 8. Rain Garden “Riverscape”; 9. Community Exhibit Space; 10. Outdoor Classroom; 11. Labyrinth; 12. Specialty Sculptures; 13. Themed Garden Plantings; 14. Accessible Crosswalks.

ROTARY CLUB OF STEVENS POINT

PARTNER CITY OF ESTELI, NICARAGUA ● SISTER CITY OF GULCZ, POLAND ● SISTER CITY OF ROSTOV VELIKY, RUSSIA

Dear Resident,

We are in the process of updating our current Comprehensive Outdoor Plan for the City of Stevens Point. Below is a short questionnaire we would like to have you and/or your family complete and return in the self-addressed stamped envelope. Your input will help us improve and develop our parks system into the future.

1. In an effort to better understand how much you agree as to the importance of services the City provides as it relates to parks, Recreation and Forestry, please circle the corresponding number as it relates to the statement service below:

“I think it is important for the City of Stevens Point to.....”

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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2. Which **THREE** of the statements from the list in Question #1 are the **MOST IMPORTANT** services/facilities for the City **to provide for you and members of your household?** [Using the numbers in Question #1 above, please write in the numbers below for your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices]

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