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CITY OF LAKE GENEVA BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024 - 6:30 PM
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members:

Committee Members: President Cindy Forster Feuredi, David Quickel, Peggy Schneider, Ann Esarco, Denise Wendell, Julie Mulligan, Adam St. Marie, Alderperson Cindy Yager, and Mayor Todd Krause

AGENDA

1. Call to order – Cindy Feuredi
2. Roll Call
3. Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda, except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes
4. Approval of the April 16, 2024 Board of Park Commissioners meeting minutes as prepared and distributed
5. Update of the Tree Board: May 2024
6. Update of the Avain Committee: May 2024
7. Parks Superintendent Report
8. Discussin/Recommendation regarding a dog sculpture donation
9. Discussion/Recommendation regarding revision of "dog on leashes" rules for Veterans Park
10. Discussion/Recommendation regarding sponsorship/wish lists for the Parks of Lake Geneva
11. Discussion/Recommendation regarding impact fee language to promote funds for park improvements
12. Discussion/Recommendation regarding Tot Lots Playgrounds
13. Next Meeting Date & Time: June 18, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.
14. **Adjournment**

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April 16, 2024

City of Lake Geneva Board of Park Commissioners Minutes

1. Call to Order at 6:31 pm

2. Roll Call

Mayor - absent
Cindy Forster Feuredi - present
Alderpersion Linda Frame - present
Ann Esarco - absent
Julie Mulligan - present
Denise Wendell - present
Peggy Schneider - present
David Quickel - present
Rachel Allen - resigned
Park Superintendent Sam Ingo - present

3. Comments from the Public

Mary Jo Fesenmeier - Requested that dogs on leash time be placed on next month's agenda. Requested that the Agreement with the YMCA needs to be approved and sent to the city council.

Jim Gaugert – Stated it was disturbing what he heard or read about the Agreement with the Y. The Rec program has run well and efficiently. The Y has a system for dealing with weather/ tornados. Who will operate these programs?

Mike Kramp – CEO of the YMCA, wanted to discuss the agreement. The city and Y have had a partnership since 1972. He requested \$61,000 to run the programs. It is April and teams have been practicing. Questioned the charge of \$35,000 to repair the Lion's Den. Has worked with the city's Tourism Committee to get the fields up and going.

Ann Fulmer – Senior Marketing Director stated the YMCA is here for the community. The Y has the infrastructure in place to deal with any potential problem. They have implemented "Data and Deals", an example is a deal at the Zip Line is shared with guests who participate in tournaments

Cathy Stoodley – Reported that the Y provides financial assistance. The Y does not profit from the fees from the city. Questions penalizing the Y for the Lion's Den. The concession stand has been underutilized.

Chad Bittner – Shared that his daughter loves softball due to the Y, not the city. The fields were not safe, and the Tourism Committee fixed the fields. It's the city's responsibility to take care of the fields, not the Y. Provide \$61,800 to the Y to run the programs. We need to thank the Lion's Club for taking care of the Lion's Den.

4. Approval of the March 19, 2024 meeting minutes

Motion to approve: Cindy Forster Fueredi

Seconded by Denise Wendell

Motion carried

5. YMCA Quarterly Update from Mike Coolidge

See Handout titled "Board of Park Commissioners Meeting"

Cindy asked if the YMCA takes care of the fields during the summer? Mike Coolidge replied "yes".

6. Discussion/ Recommendation regarding an agreement with the Geneva Lakes YMCA for the programming and use of Veteran's Park

A robust discussion took place.

Dave Q shared the history of the relationship between the city and the YMCA.

Sam stated the staff (Sam, Tom Earle, Dave Nord, and Comptroller) review the agreement and then send it to the Park Board.

Cindy recommended that this issue come back up for discussion.

Linda stated that we need to evaluate how we're going to proceed forward. We are the landlords of Vet's Park and we should be doing the repairs. The Y took care of it in good faith.

Linda made a motion to make the 2024 Programing Agreement identical to the 2023 Programming Agreement.

Seconded by Dave

Roll call vote: Cindy Forster Feuredi - no

Alderpersion Linda Frame - yes

Julie Mulligan - abstain

Denise Wendell - abstain

Peggy Schneider - yes

David Quickel – yes

Motion carried will go to FLR

7. White River Rippers Presentation- Dan Ryan

Shared that there is damage to some of the baskets and signage. Requested permission to work with sponsors to add improvements to area, picnic benches and port-a-potties.

8. Park Superintendent Update

See Handout titled "Park Operations & Programming Update March 2024"

All the posts have been installed today and they will attach the signs soon.

Chains have not been removed yet. Hillmoor Ad Hoc Committee would like a grand opening in May.

9. Discussion and evaluation of Pavilion Rentals

We don't rent out the pavilion at Rushwood.

A new water fountain (bottle filler) will be installed at Rushwood.

10. Next Meeting Date and Time

May 21, 2024 @ 6:30pm

11. Adjournment

Motion by Cindy at 8:10pm

Seconded by Linda

MINUTES:

TREE BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 14TH 2024

1. Call to Order: 4:09 pm
2. Roll Call: Candy K Chair, Peg Esposito, Sonya Dailey, Peggy Schneider, Alexander Leonard, Jon Foster City Forester, Morgan Sheppard assistant arborist,
3. Welcome to new members: Peggy Schneider, Alexander Leonard
4. Comments from the Public:

Sonya- Talked about I-Naturalist website that can be used to update plantings in local area and local wildlife. Over time information from the website can be used for research grade. She believes it will work well to document and identify the trees in Hillmore property with the help of Badger High School.

5. Arborist Report:

Jon discussed that lights on the smaller trees in the downtown are not good for the trees and are not aesthetically pleasing to the eye because of their random arrangement and placement or lack of symmetry. He also explained how trimming the downtown trees is made difficult because of the light strings needed to be unwrapped for proper pruning. He also mentioned that girdling of stems & branches can occur when they are left on the tree too long. Further discussion and suggestions were made to encourage the downtown business owners to consider wrapping light poles and building façade's rather than putting them in or on the trees.

Sonya made a motion Candy Kirchberg Tree Board Chair write a letter suggesting to the Park Board that they request that the downtown trees not be wrapped with lights and that alternatives be considered for Christmas lighting and or all year lighting. Peg Esposito seconded the motion and all members voted unanimous in agreement.

Candy Kirchberg the Tree Board Chair will be composing the letter to give to the Park Board asking for their approval to request that the current practices of the placing of downtown lighting in trees be changed. Candy will also be asking Dan Draper for legal ideas on how we can help control vandalism to trees, especially in the downtown area where patrons of some of the drinking establishments are using trees for entertainment/destruction.

Peg Esposito discussed how the tree protection ring plans are stalled, but further discussion could be pursued in the fall when more apprentice welders will be working with the company. Jon suggested that all replacement plantings in the downtown be B&B plants that are substantially larger than the

containerized trees. This would make it much harder for catastrophic vandalism to take place.

Jon reported that the soil injection for Spongy Moth is being done this week at Oak Hill Cemetery and on the 5-acre lot off Conant Street. The forestry department will be using Lepi-tect a chemical purchased for soil injection providing an extra boost for the oaks to resist the infestation. He also believes that the weather may be promoting Entomophaga maimaiga to multiply. This is a fungus that was introduced in the area but is naturally occurring and helps control the spongy moth and possibly cause a major reduction in populations of the pest.

Jon also discussed having symmetry in the downtown with tree plantings. Currently the predominate tree is the Flowering Pear which will soon be banned in the state because of its invasiveness. The other trees planted in the grates are Ivory Silk Japanese Lilac, Ginkgo's & Honey locust. Jon asked what the Tree Board would prefer to be used for the replacements in the upcoming planting. There are 8-10 trees that need to be replanted in the downtown grates.

Sonya made the motion to have Ivory Silk Japanese Lilac be the tree of symmetry in the downtown, and Alex Leonard seconded the motion. All members voted unanimously to approve.

Jon also briefly discussed netting of small trees to protect against cicada, his concern is the nets may cause more damage to the trees than the cicada because of wind and vandalism.

6. Candy Kirchberg suggested Alex Leonard be the investigative enforcement of corporate business tree planting agreements that are not be followed when it comes to green space. Trees that have been taken down have not been replaced. Alex would have to work with the city's code enforcement.
7. Future agenda items:
I-Naturalist Website details from Sonya, further discussion on downtown lighting and this falls planting list.
8. Next Meeting Date & Time: June 11th, 2024 4:00 PM
9. Adjournment: Alexander makes motion to adjourn, Peggy Esposito seconded and all unanimously approved.

RECOMMENDED SMALL STREET TREES

A short, non-exhaustive list of potential species to plant. Many of the listed trees are less commonly planted, and some may also be appropriate in other urban environments (for example, ironwood is a great park **or** street tree).

Common name	Scientific name	Native range	Min. cold hardiness zone	Soil salt tolerance	Aerial salt tolerance	Max height	Max canopy width	Notes
Amur chokecherry	<i>Prunus maackii</i>	EA	3a	L	M	45'	35'	pH adaptable, spring flowers, wildlife value
Amur maackia	<i>Maackia amurensis</i>	EA	4a	M	L	30'	30'	pH adaptable, showy, fragrant flowers
Cockspur hawthorn -thornless variety-	<i>Crataegus crus-galli</i> var. <i>inermis</i>	WI	4a	M	H	30'	35'	Spring flower, fall color, high wildlife value, susceptible to cedar rust diseases, fireblight, leaf spot, scale and mites
Crabapple -multiple cultivars-	<i>Malus spp</i>	MW	3b*	L	M	20'	20'	pH adaptable, spring flowers, wildlife value
Eastern redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	MW	4b**	L	L	30'	35'	pH adaptable, spring flowers, susceptible to borers, cankers and verticillium wilt
Green hawthorn -Winter King cultivar-	<i>Crataegus viridis</i> 'Winter King'	WI	4b	M	H	30'	30'	Spring flower, fall color, high wildlife value, susceptible to cedar rust diseases, fireblight, leaf spot, scale and mites
Ironwood	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	WI	3b	L	M	40'	40'	pH adaptable, shade tolerant
Japanese tree lilac	<i>Syringa reticulata</i>	EA	3a	H	H	30'	20'	pH adaptable, showy, fragrant flowers
Peking lilac	<i>Syringa pekinensis</i>	EA	3b	H	H	20'	15'	Showy, fragrant flowers
Serviceberry -tree form-	<i>Amelanchier spp</i>	WI	3b	Not available	H	25'	25'	Spring flower, fall color, high wildlife value

*Cultivar dependent

**Seed source dependent

Legend

Native range

WI	Wisconsin
MW	Midwest
NA	North America
EA	Eurasia

Cold hardiness zone

see second page

Salt tolerances

L	Low
M	Medium
H	High

see second page

Caution

This list identifies trees that may be appropriate along streets. These are harsh environments and cannot support all tree species. Extra care needs to be taken to select trees that will survive and thrive. More information is located on the second page.

Not all circumstances are considered for this list. Consult multiple sources before deciding on trees, including nurseries and other local experts.

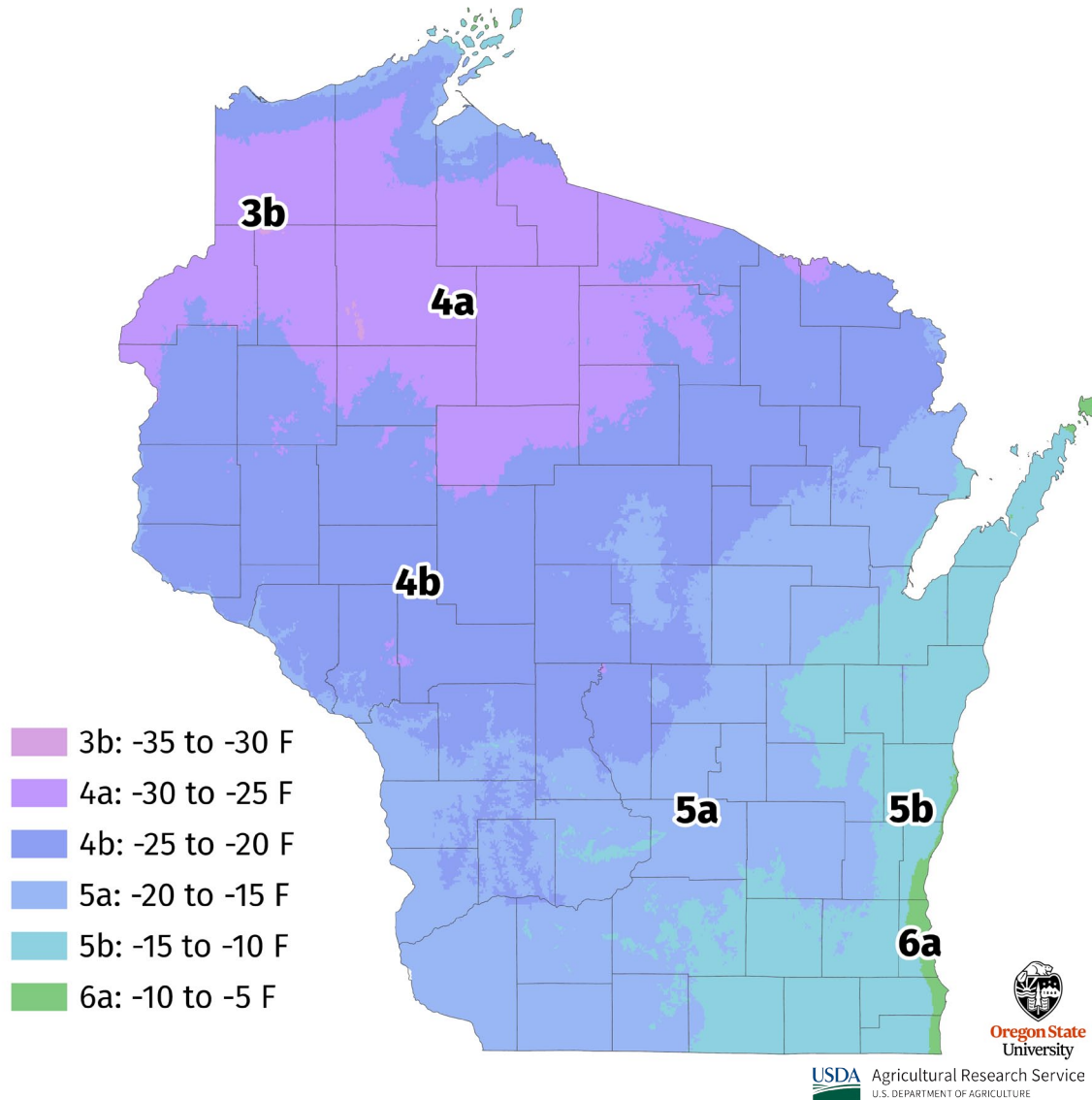


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COLD HARDINESS ZONES



Zones in the United States based on their annual minimum temperatures. Plants grown in those areas must be able to tolerate temperatures down to those levels. Zone data from USDA and Oregon State University reflects updates published in 2023. Species zone data from Cornell University Woody Plants Database and the Morton Arboretum.

SOIL & AERIAL SALT TOLERANCE

The impact of salt on trees is difficult to fully anticipate. See the notes below to help think through this problem.

No tree is completely tolerant of salt injury; even salt-tolerant trees have limits on the amount of salt they can accept before they weaken.

There are relatively few salt-tolerant species available. If only tolerant species are planted, urban forests would be even less diverse and be more vulnerable to a single disease or insect pest destroying a high proportion of the trees.

Salt spray can damage trees by depositing salt on stems, buds or foliage. Injury to evergreen trees is apparent in the late winter, while it takes longer to manifest in deciduous trees.

Soil salt damage often occurs along busy roads or sidewalks. This damage can become evident in the summer or even years later. A species that tolerates spray salt will not necessarily tolerate soil salt.

Salt source (above): Gary R. Johnson and Ed Sucoff. Minimizing De-Icing Salt Injury to Trees. <http://cues.cfans.umn.edu/old/extpubs/1413salt/DD1413.html>

City of Lake Geneva Avian Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 14, 2024
City Council Conference Room 2A

1. **Call to Order:** 6:01 PM by Sarah McConnell
2. **Roll Call:** The following members were present: Sarah McConnell, Jill Rodriguez, Karen Gallo and Victoria Ross. Members absent, but excused, were: Cindy Yager, Kelly Happ and Beverly Leonard.
3. **Approval of Avian Committee Minutes from April 9, 2024:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Rodriguez, and seconded by Gallo. The motion was passed.
4. **Comments from the Public:** None
5. **Discussion of Agenda Items:**
 - a. Calendar for strategic planning purposes: Rodriguez offered to set up a Google Calendar Doc for inclusion of dates for all activities and deadlines;
 - b. World Migratory Day: The Committee Members will have a table at the Farmers' Market on May 23, 2024. There will be handouts on the Purple Martins as well as other information for birders and residents
 - c. Bird City Application Status: Still no update from the City Administrator as to acceptance of the City's application.
 - d. Partnerships and potential grants:
 - i. The Committee is planning to launch a pilot program to place 5-6 Birding Backpacks with downtown area hotels. The cost for the backpacks & materials is being researched, and The Rotary Club of Lake Geneva has offered \$1,000.00 grant towards this project.
 - ii. Committee Members will be at Four Seasons Nature Preserve on May 22, 2024 to put in signage for the Storybook Trail.
 - e. Monarch Palooza/Purple Martin Open House: Scheduled for June 22, 2024 from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM at the Lake Geneva Public Library. A butterfly release is currently expected, as well as information on the Purple Martins, including a Purple Martins house for public inspection.
 - f. Recognition of Volunteers: Current expectation is this will occur in late September or early October
 - g. Charging Stations: While the Committee explores ideas to meet the climate change requirement of the new Bird City Application, members will individually advocate for charging stations to be placed in downtown Lake Geneva.
 - h. Bird Songs: The equipment will be inspected to make sure it is operating as expected.
6. **Next Meeting Date & Time:** The next Avian Committee Meeting will be on July 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Conference Room 2A.
7. **Future Agenda Items:**
 - a. Bird City Application Status
 - b. Partnerships and Potential Grants
 - c. Monarch Palooza/Purple Martin Open House
 - d. Recognition of Volunteers
 - e. Birding Backpacks for Area Hotels
 - f. Climate Change Topics/Ideas
8. **Adjournment:** McConnell adjourned the meeting at 7:05 PM

Respectfully submitted 05/16/2024
Victoria Ross

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To: Park Board

From: Samantha Ingo, Superintendent, Parks & Facilities

Park Operations April 2024

- DPW installed trail markers at Hillmoor along with map signage. DPW did additional garbage clean up on the marked trails.
- Flat Iron has been aerated and seed has been placed down to cover the bare areas from foot traffic during Winterfest.
- Lake Geneva Lion's Club completed their work on the Lion's Den.
- Quotes are being obtained from different court resurfacing companies for the tennis and basketball courts.
- Public restrooms are now open.
- Fully staffed for mowing crew and lakefront staff.
- Staff removed graffiti at Rushwood.
- Breezy Hill has sprayed the mulched flower beds in the parks.
- Bottle fillers (capital improvement) for the current water fountains are in the process of being ordered.





SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION FORM (DRAFT)

Included rates included in this form may be adjusted slightly due to future changes in supplier costs. Prices are based on current supplier costs for sponsorship items. Sponsorship amounts will be reviewed on an annual basis and adjusted accordingly and posted on the city fee structure.

SECTION 1: Sponsor Information

Sponsor Name: _____ Address: _____

Contact Person Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

SECTION 2: Sponsor Request.

Please select the box of the sponsorship you would like to provide. If you are a returning sponsor (*RS) please circle the returning sponsorship amount.

Please mark option(s) wanted	Opportunity	Amount Circle RS if returning sponsor.	Item(s)	Deadline
☐	Veterans Park Outfield Fence	\$275 \$155 *RS	4x8 vinyl sign Recognition on City webpage	March 1
☐	Soccer Sign	\$110 \$55 *RS	18" x24" Lawn Sign Recognition on City webpage	August 1
☐ ☐	White River Disc Golf Course Basket Hanging Sign Tee Box Sign	\$165 / \$110 RS \$110 / \$55 RS	4"x9" Plastic sign 7"x10" Plastic sign	February 1
☐	Special Events <i>Sponsorships in any amount for special events will include recognition on marketing</i>	Please circle sponsorship amount. \$150	Sponsors will have their logo posted on a 4'x8' vinyl banner for the event.	Ongoing

	<i>materials and the city's website.</i>	\$250 \$350 \$_____ other amount	Recognition on City webpage	
☐	General Recreation Programming; Equipment; Supplies <i>Sponsorships will be applied to various costs to run recreational programming opportunities.</i>	Please circle the sponsorship amount. \$350 \$650 \$950 \$_____ other amount	Recognition on City webpage Recognition in programming marketing (i.e. flier; program guide)	Ongoing

Artwork: Please include business logo/artwork with this application or send a jpeg to parkssuperintendent@cityoflakegeneva.gov.

SECTION 3:

After application is processed, the contact person listed on application will receive an email stating if sponsorship is approved or not. If approved, the information regarding payment will be included in the approval email.

For questions please contact the Parks Superintendent at parkssuperintendent@cityoflakegeneva.gov or 262-248-3673.

THANK YOU for supporting the city's efforts to offer recreational services to our residents and the greater community!

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Park Impact Fee and Land Dedication Policy Needs Assessment provides the City of Sun Prairie (the "City") with the necessary analysis to support amendments to the City's land dedication and park impact fee ordinances in compliance with Wis. Stat. §§ 236.45 and 66.0617.

The objective of these legislative efforts is to utilize a combination of land dedication, payment in lieu of dedication, and impact fees to support a successful park system. These efforts recognize two distinct cost components related to park development. The first is the cost of acquiring parkland and the second is the cost of constructing park improvements. These efforts account for all types of new residential development that affect the demand for park services within the City, acknowledging that housing for older persons affects demand for park services differently than other types of residential development.

I. SUMMARY OF CURRENT LAND DEDICATION AND PARK IMPACT FEE ORDINANCES AND CITY OBJECTIVES

The City's current land division ordinance requires applicants for land divisions to dedicate land, pay a fee in lieu of dedication, or both, for park purposes as a condition of approval for a subdivision plat or certified survey map. The requirement is codified in §§ 16.28.090 and 16.36.070, Sun Prairie Code of Ordinances. The dedication requirement is at least 1 acre per 23 dwelling units. If the dedication of land is not appropriate, the ordinance requires the applicant to pay an in lieu fee equal to an amount per dwelling unit set by the Common Council. Ordinances, § 16.36.070A.

The City's park impact fee ordinance establishes two types of park impact fees:

- (1) a "park improvement impact fee" that applies to all new residential and mixed use development. This fee—currently \$480 per dwelling unit (other than assisted living dwelling units)—was sized to fund new growth's proportionate share of the improvement of land for park purposes.
- (2) a "parkland acquisition impact fee" that applies to all new residential development unless the City has previously obtained a land dedication or an in lieu fee with respect to the subject dwelling unit. This fee—currently \$1,220 per non-assisted living dwelling units—was sized to fund new growth's proportionate share of the acquisition of parkland.

Since 2007, the City has primarily relied on park impact fees to fund new development's share of the capital costs of parks. For most neighborhoods platted after 2007, the City had not previously obtained a park land dedication or collected a fee in lieu of dedication.

The City wishes to:

1. Modify the land dedication and fee in lieu of dedication requirements for residential subdivision projects in conformance with Wis. Stat. § 236.45, Wisconsin's subdivision law. By their nature, these requirements apply only to new development involving a land division and are imposed upon a subdivider as a condition of approval of a subdivision plat or certified survey map. Both the dedication



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October 19, 2022

The Port Washington Common Council on Tuesday created a new source to help fund park improvements.

Aldermen unanimously approved imposing a park impact fee on new houses built in the community.

The fee is intended to ensure future city residents pay their portion of the cost of new parks and capital improvements to parks, officials explained.

The fee, which is collected when someone takes out a building permit, would be \$3,368 for a single-family house and \$2,470 for a duplex.

You have reached your maximum of three

