



**Spokane Park Board
Development & Volunteer / Citizen Advisory
Committee
4:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, 2024
In-person and WebEx virtual meeting
Fianna Dickson – Marketing & Communications**

Committee members:

DVCAC:

- Kelly Brown – Chair/The Friends of Manito Park (*absent*)
- Jeff Lambert – Friends of the Bluff (*absent*)
- Cole Taylor – Friends of Riverfront Park (*absent*)
- X Lee Williams – Friends of Coeur d 'Alene Park
- Paul Lindholdt – Friends of Palisades (*absent*)
- X Stephen Williams – Spokane Disc Golf Club

DVC:

- Jennifer Ogden – Chair/Park Board (*absent*)
- X Bob Anderson – Park Board
- Gerry Sperling – Park Board (*absent*)
- Doug Kelley – Park Board (*absent*)
- Kelly Brown – DVCAC representative (*absent*)
- X Lindsey Shaw – Community Assembly representative
- Matt Antush – Member-at-large (*absent*)

Park staff

Fianna Dickson
Al Vorderbrueggen
Jerry Stacy

Guests

Minutes

1. **Call to order** – The meeting was called to order at 4:21 p.m. by acting DVC Committee chair Bob Anderson. See list above for attendance.
2. **Public comment:** None
3. **DVCAC discussion items:**
 - A. Support for park events / removing barriers – Lee Williams
 - Lee requested Neighborhood Services consider an insurance co-op option for groups looking to host events. Neighborhood services has an ongoing conversation on this topic, and information will be shared as it's known. Lee also discussed safety in parks

during events, and others suggested working with COPS or Paws on Patrol for additional security. Park Rangers staffing would be increased in 2025 if the park levy passed. Lee also discussed restroom accessibility during events, and Al Vorderbrueggen shared additional information about pilot projects and sensors/locks that would be explored if the levy passed.

B. Membership update – Bob Anderson

- Lee Williams and Cole Taylor's terms for DVCAC expired at the end of February. They are being asked to consider another 2-year term. Lee agreed; her second term will run through February 2026. Cole was not in attendance; Kelly can follow-up with him via email or ask at the next meeting.

4. **DVCAC standing reports:**

A. DVCAC member news – Bob Anderson

- Friends of Coeur d'Alene Park – Conduit for electrical is being laid at the gazebo, which will be key to supporting park events. The summer concert series will likely start in June this year, and they are applying for a community engagement grant to support the series. They are looking forward to the return of the Farmers' Market.
- Community Assembly – Music Under the Oaks is happening in Hays Park again this year. District 1 leadership is still considering applying for an Adopt a Park for all parks in District 1.
- SDGC is looking to collaborate with neighborhood organizations that have junior disc golf courses in their local parks (Loma Vista, Hayes Park are examples). We could develop a system to keep the neighborhood committees updated on general park conditions when we check out the disc golf courses.
- SDGC is going to enter an MOU with Spokane Parks for all 5 junior courses and the new downriver soon.
- SDGC is hosting 5 PDGA sanctioned events, 2 at high bridge, 2 at downriver, 1 across both courses, this year. Dates will be posted on www.spokanedgc.com soon.
- SDGC is hosting an introduction to disc golf clinic as a part of the Expo celebration on June 22nd. This event is open to all community members who are unfamiliar with disc golf. Provided feedback that it would be helpful to know about contracting requirements that are related to funding earlier in the process next year.

B. EXPO+50 update – Bob Anderson

- Fianna shared a brief update. Preparations are going well, with a focus on the opening celebration May 4 and finalizing the calendar of events for the 9-week celebration. DVCAC members were told they can request a free booth for their Friends or Neighborhood groups at the Vendor Village and/or Opening Ceremonies. Parks and Recreation will have a booth each Saturday at Riverfront. The main website is www.Expo50Spokane.com.

C. **DVC action items**

- None

D. DVC discussion items

- None

E. DVC standing reports:

- A. None

F. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 2024, in-person in the Sister City conference room, first floor, City Hall, and virtually via WebEx.