



**Spokane Park Board
Development & Volunteer / Citizen Advisory
Committee
4:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 2024
In-person and WebEx virtual meeting
Fianna Dickson – Marketing & Communications**

Committee members:

DVCAC:

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

DVC:

- X Jennifer Ogden – Chair/Park Board
Bob Anderson – Park Board
Gerry Sperling – Park Board
- X Doug Kelley – Park Board
- X Kelly Brown – Development & Volunteer Citizen Advisory Committee representative
Lindsey Shaw – Community Assembly representative
Matt Antush – Member-at-large

Park staff

Fianna Dickson
Jerry Stacy

Guests

Minutes

1. **Call to order** – The meeting was called to order at 4:17 p.m. by DVC Committee chair Jennifer Ogden. See list above for attendance.
2. **Public comment:** None
3. **DVCAC discussion items:**
 - A. None
4. **DVCAC standing reports:**

A. DVCAC member news – Kelly Brown

1) Friends of Coeur d'Alene Park

- a. Lee Williams reported the Friends are looking for bands for their summer concert series and they are finalizing electrical hook-ups.
- b. Routine park visits with Al Vorderbrueggen have been very helpful.
- c. Lee will be sharing presentations with the neighborhood to revisit goals of the Friends' master plan in hopes of getting new members.
- d. Spookwalk is sold out and the Friends are looking for more guides to schedule more tours.
- e. Citizens comprising the Thursday Trash Pickers continue to provide that weekly service for the park and Overlook Park as well.

2) Friends of the Bluff

- a. Planned events include: 1) Willow Whip planting on April 20 from 10:00 a.m. to noon on the creek by Champion Park; 2) Earth Day event in Polly Judd Park from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.; 3) Brush on the Bluff on May 18. Details can be found on the [Friends of the Bluff Facebook](#) page.
- b. The first trail sign is arriving soon, and the Friends are working with Parks to get a concrete slab poured.
- c. Friends of the Bluff will have an information table at the Pavilion as part of the Expo50 celebrations. Kelly Brown added that more tree planting opportunities can be found at www.expo50spokane.com.

3) Friends of Palisades

- a. The Friends of Palisades are revising their bylaws. Paul Lindholdt asked about the practical use of Robert's Rules for non-profits. Jennifer informed him that the rules governing motions and amending those motions are the most common aspects of the rules used. Jennifer offered to provide sample bylaws, and Lee Williams will provide the Friends of Coeur d'Alene Park bylaws as an example.
- b. There will be a clean-up at the park on April 20. Meet at 8:30 a.m. on the corner of Greenwood and Basalt. Paul asked if anyone knew of volunteers to help. Jennifer and Lee know schools that require students to have community service hours and they will send information about the clean up to those resources.
- c. The Friends of Palisades have been collaborating with the Inland NW Land Conservancy for trail connectivity between Palisades Park and the Centennial Trail.
- d. The Friends are planning to hold a Fun Run in the park and any advice from committee members would be appreciated. A few committee members responded they would follow up with Paul. Kelly Brown offered to speak with Paul about organizing.
- e. There will be discussion about Expo+50 participation at the Friends' next meeting, which is tonight.
- f. Goat grazing for fire fuel management will be happening again this year.

B. Expo+50 update – Kelly Brown

- 1) Kelly gave an Expo+50 update, sharing the opening ceremonies are on May 4 and inviting everyone to join or visit www.expo50spokane.com for details.
- 2) Fianna posted the link in Basecamp to submit your Friends of events that fall between May 4 and July 4 to the Expo calendar, which will help them gain visibility. All Friends events likely fall into one of the Expo pillars of Arts & Culture, Environment, Recreation & Sports, Tribal Culture, or Expo Legacy.

5. **DVC action items**

- A. None

6. **DVC discussion items**

A. None

7. **DVC standing reports:**

A. Levy subcommittee update – Jennifer Ogden

- 1) Levy updates are on hold as we await the decision of City Council regarding the mayor's levy proposal and how it may impact Parks. Official decision will be made by May 3.

Fianna reminded the committee to be prepared with their license plate numbers at the May 15 meeting at the Riverfront Park Pavilion for free parking during the meeting. Park Board members' plate numbers are already on file.

8. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2024, in-person in the **Riverfront Park Pavilion conference room**, 574 N. Howard St., and virtually via WebEx.