

AGENDA
(REVISED SEPTEMBER 20, 2022)
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
VIA INTERNET & CONFERENCE CALL
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022
6:30 P.M.

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- Sign-up for Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting updates by emailing
lcapp@stamfordct.gov.

Web Meeting Ground Rules:

- The meeting shall be recorded and the video shall be posted on the City of Stamford website
http://cityofstamford.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=9
- The Parks & Recreation Commission shall moderate the audio for attendees.
- Attendees shall be on mute and will be unmuted when called to speak by the Commission members.
- Attendees will have 20 minutes to make their presentation or address the Commission.
- Any Attendee wishing to submit materials or a written statement can send it prior to the meeting to
lcapp@stamfordct.gov or submit through a Chat message to the Commission Chair during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER:

- Review of the August 17, 2022 Regular Meeting Draft Minutes.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

- Marja Thompson - A21 - *Walk for Freedom - Columbus Park & Latham Park - Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.* - Set-up starts at 9:00 a.m. - Clean-up ends at 12:00 p.m. - Total Attendance - ±200.

RECREATION SERVICES PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

- David Flower - Chelsea Piers CT - *Chelsea Piers Soccer Club Practices - Cummings Park - Monday through Thursday, beginning in September - ending November 12, 2022 and April, May & June 2023 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.*

PUBLIC HEARING:

- **Pickleball Court - Haig & Crestview Avenues.** The Commission will discuss a proposal to install a Pickleball court at the location of Haig & Crestview Avenues. Interested residents are invited to join the meeting to provide input on this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Election of Officers (*Tabled from the August 17, 2022 Meeting*):** The Commission will hold elections for Chair and Vice-Chair.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Parks & Recreation Commission Jurisdiction** - Michael Toma, Assistant Corporation Counsel: Mr. Toma has provided an opinion whether the Parks & Recreation Commission has jurisdiction over the parks within the Downtown Special Services District (DSSD). There are five (5) parks [Columbus Park, Kiwanis Park, St. John's Park, Latham Park and Veteran's Memorial Park], which fall within the DSSD boundaries.
- **Special Webinar - October 6, 2022** - Melanie Hollas, Commissioner: Ms. Hollas will provide an update on the progress of the Special Webinar to discuss Stamford public parks artificial turf fields and pour-in-place (PIP) playground surfaces.

TOURNAMENTS:

- No Tournaments.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- No Correspondence or as may properly be introduced before the Commission.

STAFF REPORTS:

- Matthew Quiñones, Director of Operations.
- Kevin Murray, Operations Manager - Parks & Facilities: Parks & Recreation Update.
- Parks & Recreation Internal Committee Action Report - September 13, 2022 Meeting.

DISCUSSION:

- **Update of Parks & Recreation Commission Strategic Goals for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year as follows:**
 - Mr. Newman and Ms. Hollas: Friends Groups.
 - Ms. Hollas: Invasive Species initiative.
 - Mr. Newman: Baseball and field usage.
 - Mr. Tedder and Ms. Katz: Foundation and the City website.
 - Mr. Tedder: Dog Park at Scofieldtown Park.
 - Ms. Adetola and Mr. Murray: Setup of pickleball courts and working with pickleball and tennis players.
- **Application and Waiver Agreement for volunteer groups to work in the City parks.**