MINNEAPOLIS PARK & RECREATION BOARD
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Our current Comprehensive Plan runs through 2020. We need a new plan starting in 2021.
VISIONARY VALUES

- **Sustainability**: Meet current park and recreation needs without sacrificing the ability of future generations to meet their own needs by balancing environmental, economic, and equity concerns.

- **Visionary Leadership**: Respect the vision and leadership that built the park and recreation system and recognize the need for ongoing leadership in achieving excellence.

- **Safety**: Work safely to support a thriving work environment and an outstanding park experience for visitors.

- **Responsiveness and Innovation**: Anticipate and thoughtfully respond to the diverse needs of the city’s communities, continually seeking ways to better deliver park and recreation services.

- **Independence and Focus**: Independence allows the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to focus on providing and obtaining the resources necessary to accomplish its mission and form effective, responsible partnerships.
WHAT IS THE MPRB COMP PLAN?

- Our agency policy direction and touchstone
- Based on shared values with community, agency staff, and elected officials
- Provide guidance in setting the budget, policy development, programing, and physical parks over the next decade
- A tool for communicating to our staff, commissioners, and the general public about what we do and value
- Will build on what works and identify the gaps that we need to strategize around for the next decade
WHAT IT IS NOT

- It will not start from scratch – Will build on SAMPs, Police Strategy, Strategic Direction set by MPRB Commissioners, Activity Plans, CIP, RecQuest, and more.
- It will not take the place of the Parks and Open Space Chapter in the City’s Comprehensive Plan.
- Does not focus on recommendations for individual parks, but focuses on the system as a whole.
- Parks for All is not required by the Met Council like the regional city comprehensive plans.
WHEN
WHAT ARE YOUR DREAMS FOR MINNEAPOLIS PARKS?
PARKS FOR ALL
A VISION FOR THE NEXT DECADE OF MINNEAPOLIS PARKS & RECREATION
• Focus groups
• Events
• Public Forums & Meetings
• Online tools & Social Media
• Feedback forms at rec centers
• Survey, both online and paper
WHERE WE’VE BEEN
Parques para Todos

Bigger pool

Parks for All

I would like to have aerobics once a week, in order to create community and be together.

Also more beaches and BBQs.

About you (age, gender, race, zip code and anything else you want to share):

Age: 26, Male, Latino, Minneapolis, 55417
Your local Park: Nokomis Park

www.minneapolis.parks.org/parksforall
1. **Starts with a park dream:**
   “I am 70 years old and would like to swim laps at a park in North Minneapolis on weekday mornings.”

2. **We identify system-wide patterns in the comments:**
   - Multigenerational
   - Aquatics
   - Operations (staffing + hours)

3. **Develop goals and strategies for the plan:**
   - Develop park facilities and programs for an active and aging population
   - Create learn to swim and aquatics opportunities in all service areas.

**Implementation:** Guides budgets, staffing, policies, and programming:
- Funding to pools
- Program analysis about what elders like to do in parks
- Extending the hours of athletic facilities
PLEASE HELP US SPREAD THE WORD!

Please join the conversation!

Share what you value and what your dreams are for Minneapolis parks:

- Invite us to attend a meeting or event in your neighborhood, organization, or community
- Participate in the Community Advisory Committee
- Come to community meetings and events about the Comprehensive Plan
- Sign up for project updates on the project website
- Share your dreams in a Park Dream Box at your local MPRB recreation center or through the online survey on the project website

This planning process will involve community, MPRB staff and commissioners through 2020 in shaping the future direction of Minneapolis’ park and recreation system. Please visit at www.minneapolisparks.org/parksforall to stay in touch and for more information.
THANK YOU!

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