



City of Bonner Springs

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Monday, August 21, 2023

200 East Third Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 5:30 PM

OLD BUSINESS

1. Minutes of the July 17, 2023 ROSA Meeting

Action Make a motion to approve teh minutes as presented.

Recommendation

Documents:

1. DRAFT 71723_Recreation and Outdoor Spaces Advisory Committee

2. Memorial Bench Program

Action Discussion

Recommendation

Documents:

1. Memorial Bench Program

NEW BUSINESS

1. Pool Season Report

Action

Recommendation

Documents:

REPORTS

1. Recreation Manager Update

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Memorandum

Date: August 21, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From:

Subject: Minutes of the July 17, 2023 ROSA Meeting

Recommendation:

Action: Make a motion to approve teh minutes as presented.

Background:

Discussion:

Financial Impact:

Recreation and Open Spaces Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - July 17, 2023

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 5:30 PM - Committee

Members Present: Angie Thomas, Greg Gebauer, Robin Harris, Jim Jenkins, Steve Williams, Holly Kross, Kent Wilson

Committee Members Absent: Judy Shelton

City Staff/ Representatives Present: Justine Spease, Chris Brake, Jeff Harris

City Staff/ Representatives Absent: Bob Reeves, Dani Gurley, Rodger Shannon, Brad Harrington

Citizens Present: none

CITIZEN CONCERNS - Angie brought up the need for an adaptive playground and/or playground equipment. Justine shared that a request has been made in the CIP but the CIP will not be approved until later in the year. Holly inquired about a volunteer group like helping hands to help offset the cost of a new playground installation. Staff mentioned the Kaboom grant as a possibility. Staff did receive a small grant from Walmart that they intend to use towards the purchase of an adaptive swing but are hesitant to put it up as all the ground cover to the swing sets are sand and not accessible. Angie brought up the ground cover at the playground for ages 2-5 has accusable ground cover and has two infant swings. Greg questioned the weight capacity of that swing set as it was intended for infant/toddler use. Staff will do additional research on if that would be feasible.

Greg inquired about doing a park clean up. Discussion was held on the history of the program and if they'd like to continue, what day would work for everyone. There was also discussion on the City-Wide Clean-up event that was hosted by Bonner Beautiful this year. It was decided that they will do a park clean up on Saturday, September 9th at 9AM. Meet at South Park to do trash pick up along the trail north to Lions Park. Kerry Roberts Park and Kerry Roberts Park Trail are also adopted spots on the clean up list.

OLD BUSINESS - Minutes from the May meeting will be presented for approval along with the minutes from this meeting in August.

NEW BUSINESS -

Memorial Bench Program - Justine presented the potential memorial bench program. Various costs are associated with a memorial bench including bench style, material, concrete pad, anchoring system, memorial plaque, shipping, installation, and staff labor. Jim Jenkins suggested having the Eagle Scouts build benches. Holly Kross inquired about opening it up to businesses to sponsor a bench, as a memorial bench program may not get us the number of benches we need. Greg Gebauer added that we'd have to be careful about who was allowed to sponsor a bench if it was opened up to businesses. Angie Thomas suggested asking the school district about laser engraving. Holly Kross liked adding a time frame on a memorial bench. Staff will gather more information and present options to the advisory board at the next meeting.

Tree Plantings - Jeff Harris reported that he has requested trees be planted at the cemetery with the grant that the City received in 2021 to plant 200 trees in the City in areas affected by the EAB. The plan would include flowering trees along the entry drive to bring some color and vibrance to the landscaping, a large tree near the gazebo for additional shade, and a request to replace memorial trees that have been removed. If approved by Kim with the Kansas Forestry Department the trees would be planted in the fall. There was agreement from the board that the proposal would be a good addition to the cemetery.

REPORTS -

Recreation Manager Update - Staff reported that the Ribbon Cutting for the Fitness Court at Center Park (120

N Nettleton Ave) will be held at 5:30PM on Thursday, August 10th. 4 teams registered for Adult Softball. The pool will be closing 1hr early (6PM) on Thursdays for the remainder of the summer to allow time for lifeguard in-service training. Many of our lifeguards are only 15 and labor laws prevent them from working over 40hrs a week. Training is paid, required, and must be built into their schedule. Registration for Fall Ball, Soccer, and Youth Volleyball are OPEN! Plans for Senior Trips for 2024 will begin in August with Lenexa. Doggie Poolooza is Friday, August 18th from 5PM-8PM.

Angie asked how pool membership sales were going. Staff to report at next meeting. Holly asked how the Farmers Market Pavilion project was coming along. Staff reported that installation would be after Tiblow Days.

Motion to adjourn at 6:32PM made by Greg, second by Jim. All yes.

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Memorandum

Date: August 21, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Justine Spease

Subject: Memorial Bench Program

Recommendation:

Action: Discussion

Background:

Discussion: Presentation by staff on existing benches and proposed styles.

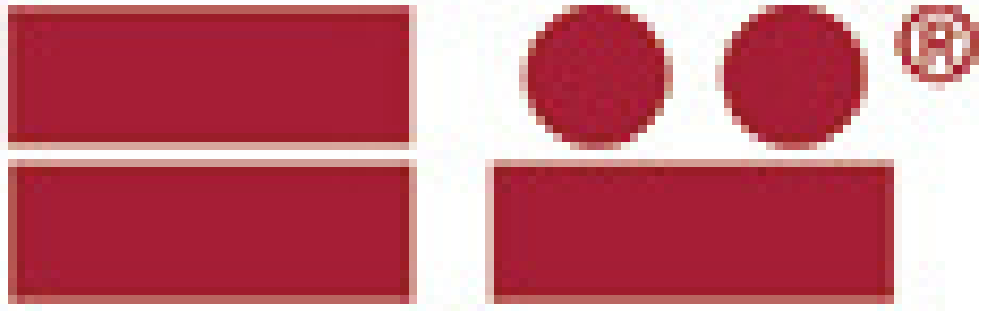
Financial Impact:



MEMORIAL

BENCH

PROGRAM



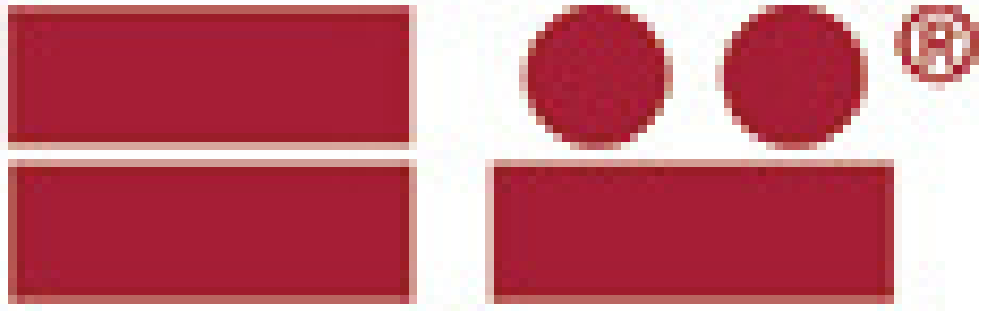
Du Mor



**6' Cast Steel Park Bench:
No Plaque- \$1,719.00
Plaque- \$???**

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Mifflintown, PA.**

6 in Downtown Parks.



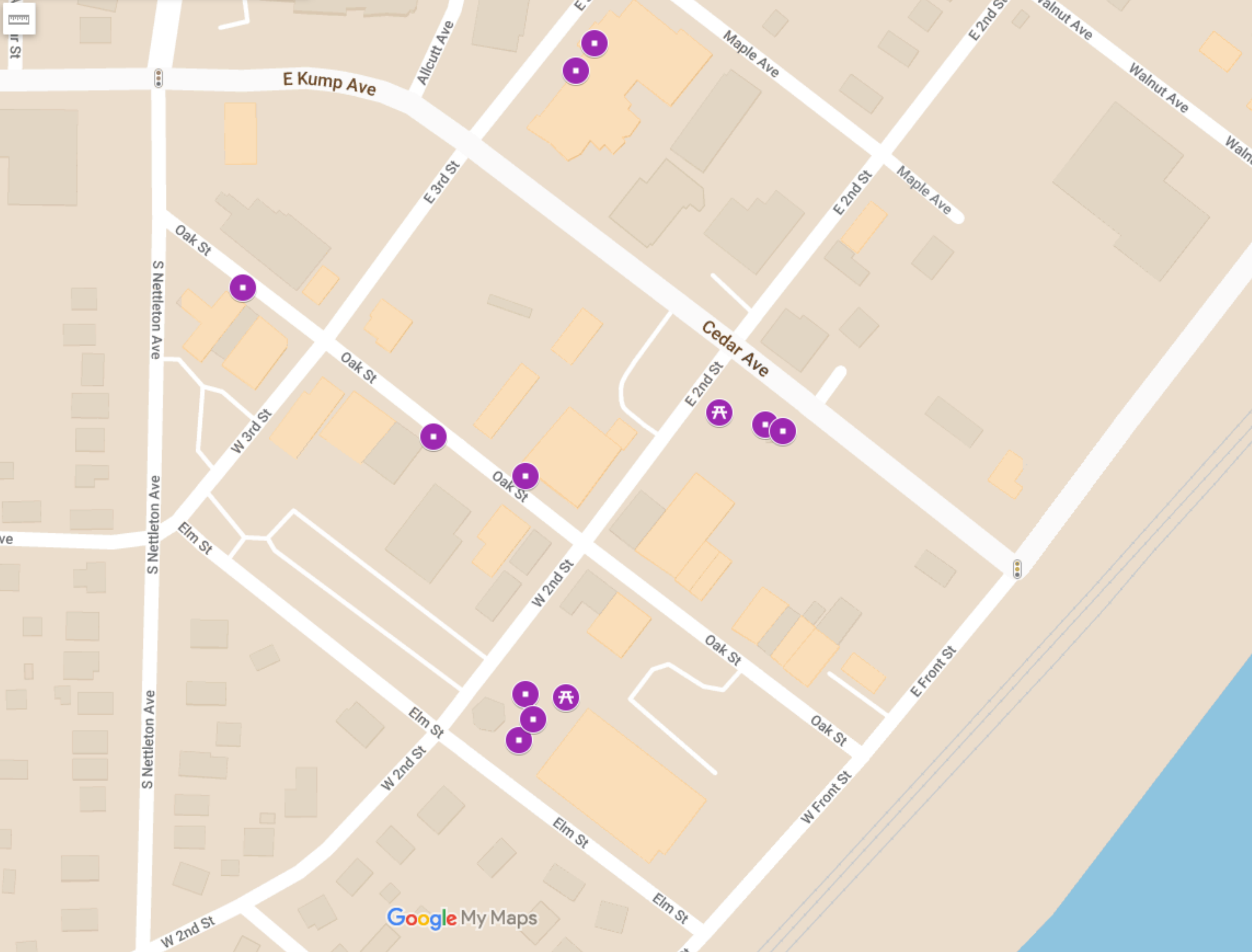
Du Mor



**6' Cast Steel Park Bench:
No Plaque - \$1,562.00
Plaque - \$???**

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Mifflintown, PA.**

3 on Oak St. like this.



Downtown Bench Locations

**All Same Style
(Du Mor)**

**Matching
planters &
receptacles**

Champlin Tire Recycling, Inc.

Sold by Back Athcha



6' Recycled Park Bench:
No Engraving - \$539.00
Engraved - \$714.00

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Concordia, KS.**

City has 1 like this in LP.

STURGIS MATERIALS



**6' Stone Bench:
No Engraving - \$800.00**

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Kansas City, KS.**

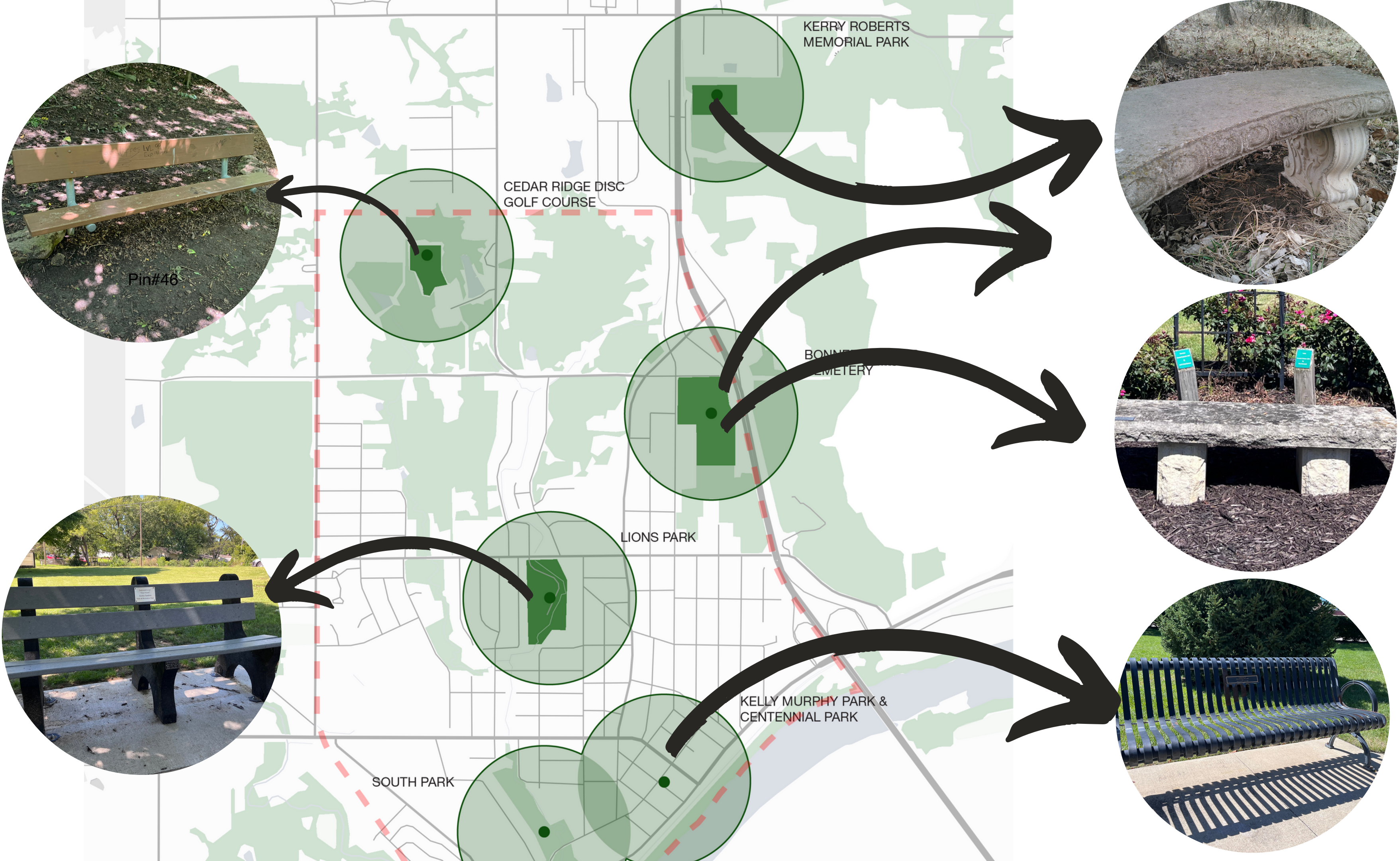
3 in Cemetery.

Lowes



**43"x16" Concrete Bench:
No Engraving - \$80.00**

3 in Cemetery 2 at KRP.





POTENTIAL

FUTURE

STYLES

Kirby Built



**6' Recycled Plastic Slats
& Cast Aluminum Frame:
No Engraving - \$988.85
Cast Plaque - add \$150+**

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Batavia, IL.**

Kirby Built



6' Steel:

No Plaque - \$878.85

Plaque - add \$150+

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Batavia, IL.**



Tree Top Products



**6' Recycled Plastic
Steel Frame:**

No Plaque - \$798.85

Plaque - add \$198+

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Batavia, IL.**



Tree Top Products



**6' Cast-Aluminum:
No Plaque - \$898.85
Plaque - add \$198+**

**Does not include
shipping. Based out of
Batavia, IL.**

Memorandum

Date: August 21, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Justine Spease

Subject: Pool Season Report

Recommendation:

Action: Discussion

Background:

Discussion: Swim Team: 73 participants (up 30 from 2022) Had a Chipotle fundraiser and hosted an Ice Cream Social at a City Band Concert. Overall good season. Used new league software called Swimingly which made the ribbon table, scoring, timing, and heat sheets so much easier!

Swim Lessons: Due to staffing, group lessons were limited in size and private lessons were not offered. Total sales down 35%

Daily Admissions: Total sales down by 7%.

Ten Punch Pass Sales: Sales up 70%

Season Pass Sales: Sales up 4%

Pool Rentals: Sales down 88%. With most of the staff being of age 15 (Labor Laws say they cannot work past 9pm or more than 8hrs a day), rentals were not an option this year as we needed them to work the regular open swim shifts to stay open.

Party Packages: Sales down 46%. We will be exploring different concession stand options next year.

Subsidy Rate for the Aquatic Park: Since its opening in 2006, the average subsidy for the pool has been 33%. Not all the expenses have been paid out for this year so I cannot give an accurate subsidy rate but generally, we make enough in sales to cover the cost of staffing and the programs are designed to recover 100% of their costs.

Financial Impact:

Memorandum

Date: August 21, 2023
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From: Justine Spease

Subject: Recreation Manager Update

Recommendation:

Action: Discussion

Background:

Discussion:

- Fitness Court construction was completed on Saturday, August 5. Ribbon Cutting was Thursday, August 10. Approximately 30-40 in attendance. Construction took longer than anticipated as it rained every day August 1-4.
- Last day for Camp Great Adventure was Friday, August 4. Over the 9 weeks, there was a total of 610 campers. This is close to our pre-covid numbers but due to low staffing, camp registration was limited. There was a waitlist for 8 of the 9 weeks offered.
- Sunday, August 13 was the last day of the pool for the season.
- Doggie Poolooza was Friday, August 18 at 5:30PM. No further data at time of writing report.
- Registration is open for the Fall City Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, September 23. You can list your sale for just \$5.00 and be listed in an interactive map!
- Registration for Youth Volleyball is open until September 4.
- Fall Soccer registration closed with 129 registrations, down 13 from last fall.
- Fall Ball registration closed with 28 registrations, down 18 from last fall.
- Registration still open for many upcoming trips:
 - Casino White Cloud - October 24
 - Ozark Mountain Christmas (Branson, MO) - November 1-3
 - Holiday Lights Tour - November 30

Financial Impact: