CITY OF DES MOINES PARKS AND RECREATION	**Parks and Recreation Board Communication**	**Date**	November 25, 2025
		Agenda Item No. **Roll Call No. 25-** **Communication No. 25-** **Submitted by: Jenny Richmond, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director**	

AGENDA HEADING:

Board action regarding proposed amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 74 Parks and Recreation to incorporate various changes that reflect the advancements of the Parks and Recreation Department and clarify intent of existing sections.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommended approval of changes to Municipal Code Chapter 74 Parks and Recreation, including these substantive changes which reflect the advancements of the Parks and Recreation Department since the previous update in 2024:

Article IV. Facilities

- Section 74-94: Clarifying fire limitations include parkland and recreational property or facility
- Section 74-96. Containers; materials; belongings.: Adding belongings may not be left in a way that impedes use
- Section 74-99: Adding limitations to horses and similar animals
- Section 74-101: Deleting former facility
- Section 74-107: Excluding watercraft from buoyed area
- Section 74-210: Mobile food vendors and transient merchants: Modifying to eliminate repeated information

Article V. Fees

- Changes to *existing* fees are proposed for the following facilities:
    - Section 74-176: Ball diamonds and soccer fields
    - Section 74-177: Bike and related equipment rental
    - Section 74-180: Community recreation center building rentals
    - Section 74-181: Golf courses
    - Section 74-182: Park shelters and other park rentals
    - Section 74-183: Aquatic centers, swimming pools and marina
    - Section 74-184: Brenton Skating Plaza
    - Section 74-188: Miscellaneous

- Addition of *new* fees are proposed for the following facilities:
    - Section 74-176: Ball diamonds and soccer fields
    - Section 74-182: Park shelters and other park rentals
    - Section 74-184: Brenton Skating Plaza
    - Section 74-190: Penalty and enforcement

Article VI. Mobile Food Vendors in Designated Parks

- Section 74-210: Mobile food vendors and transient merchants

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: It is estimated that the proposed fee changes will minimally increase the revenue received by the City.

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Chapter 74 of the Des Moines Municipal Code is dedicated to the organization and management of the City parks and recreation facilities and outlines the role of the Parks and Recreation Board, the authority of the Parks and Recreation Director, operation of City parks and recreation facilities and the fees for use of facilities and programs.

In addition to Chapter 74, topics related to parks and recreation responsibilities can also be found in Chapter 18 – Animals, Chapter 34 – Cemeteries, Chapter 114 – Traffic and Vehicles, Chapter 130 – Waterways and others, but the proposed changes that are a part of this action are limited to Chapter 74.

All changes to the City Municipal Code must be approved by City Council.

The substantive changes proposed to Chapter 74 reflect advancements of the Parks and Recreation Department since the previous most recent update in 2024. These are described in succinct detail below. Additional minor changes are proposed to improve formatting, consistency and clarity, but do not modify the meaning of the existing ordinance language.

Elected and appointed leaders should use this Communication as a guide to the changes, but still read in detail the proposed modifications shown with "track changes" on in the copy of the Municipal Code Chapter 74 Parks and Recreation provided in their meeting packet. Substantive changes include:

Article IV. Facilities

- *Section 74-94. Fires: Expanding to parkland and recreational facilities* – This proposed change will support safety by clarifying that the current limitations regarding fires applies to all properties under Parks and Recreation purview.

- *Section 74-96. Containers; materials; belongings. (formerly Glass containers and waste materials): Adding belongings may not be left in a way that impedes use* – This proposed change clarifies the properties the section applies to and that belongings cannot be left or stored in a way that impedes use by others.

- *Section 74-99. Dogs and other pets: Adding limitations to horses and similar animals* – This proposed change clarifies that that our facilities are not intended to accommodate horses and similar animals, except for service purposes as allowed by state or federal law.

- *Section 74-101. Overnight use of parks by special permit: Deleting former facility* – This proposed change removes the former cabin at Ewing Park as an exception to overnight use.

- *Section 74-107. Beaches: Excluding watercraft from buoyed area* – This proposed change supports safe use of Gray's Lake by specifying that watercraft may not enter the swimming area within the buoys.

- *Section 74-210. Mobile food vendors and transient merchants: Modifying to eliminate repeated details:* This proposed change removes fee and timeline details that are maintained by and updated through the City Clerk to eliminate the risk of including incorrect information in Chapter 74. It is clear that those seeking this information may find it via the City Clerk.

Article V. Fees

- Changes to *existing* fees are proposed for the following facilities to help recoup a greater share of staff time and operational costs and still remain some of the lowest in the metro area, if not the lowest:
    - *Section 74-176(d) and (e). Ball diamonds and soccer fields* – The proposed change increases the fee for additional marking and lining by request of the renter at both James W. Cownie Baseball Park and George Davis Softball Park from $30.00 per hour to $50.00 per game to help recoup a greater share of staff time and operational costs supporting the task. (Please see below for new fees now included in this section.)

    - *Section 74-177. Bike and related equipment rental* – The proposed change increases the fee for half day (6 hour) rentals by $10.00 to $20.00 per rental option. Additionally, the full day fee has been removed because this option is no longer offered.

    - *Section 74-180(a). Community recreation center building rentals* – The proposed changes increase the daily, monthly and annual pass admission fees for both age groups by $1.00, $12.00 and $50.00 - $100.00 respectively.

    - *Section 74-181(a) – (f). Golf courses* – Please refer to the attachment provided by C-Corporation for additional details beyond this summary: The proposed changes include: (a) modifying definitions of weekday, weekend and twilight in various amounts per course and type; (b) increasing daily, military and senior green fees in various amounts per course and type; (c) modifying season badge fees to be in line with the goal of a 30% discount to play for badge holders; (d) increasing cart fees in both the green fees that include carts and individual cart rentals by $1.00 each; (e) increasing miniature golf fees in the three paying categories by $3.00 each; and (f) increasing high school team fees by $3.00 per player in dual meets and $2.00 per player in tournaments.

    - *Section 74-182(subsections noted in summary). Park shelters and other park rentals* – The proposed changes include modifications to these subsections: (3)

increasing most of the enclosed shelter fees by $10.00 to $40.00 per rental; (5) increasing rentals at Gray's Lake Park including Christine Hensley Terrace by $8.00 per hour and $50.00 per 3-hour block; (former 10) deleting wading pool fee as all have been removed; and (10) deleting limit on director to waive the open space permit fee. (Please see below for new fees now included in this section.)

- *Section 74-183(a)(2) to (5) and (b). Aquatic centers, swimming pools and marina* – The proposed changes include modifications to these subsections: (a)(2) increasing season passes for youth agencies (i.e. daycares) by $5.00 in each category; (a)(3) increasing exclusive use per hour fee by $50.00 per hour; (a)(4) increasing pool rental for programs and practices by $15.00 per hour; (a)(5) increasing swim meet fee by $500.00 per day; and (b) increasing Birdland Marina moorage fees by $3.00 for double access and $2.00 for single access.

- *Section 74-184(a)(1): Brenton Skating Plaza* – The proposed change increases the fee for children under 5 years of age from free to $2.00. (Please see below for new fees now included in this section.)

- *Section 74-188(a): Miscellaneous* – The proposed change increases the fee for commercial photo or video permits from $10.00 to $20.00 per day. This fee has not increased since its inception in 2014.

- Addition of *new* fees are proposed for the following facilities:
  - *Section 74-176(c). Ball diamonds and soccer fields* – This proposed change modifies fees charged for tournaments to fees charged per game at James W. Cownie Soccer Park. The fees charged per tournament were introduced last year and after a year of testing, this modification will further streamline the reservation process and tournament negotiations. The higher cost for adult games continues to address the increased restoration needed following adult games versus youth games. (Please see above for modified fees in this section.)

  - *Section 74-182(subsections noted in summary). Park shelters and other park rentals* – These proposed additions include: (5)d. kayak rental fees for $10.00 per half hour and $18.00 per hour; (6) a. and b. add that refunds may be requested and additional fees may be charged if participation varies from the original estimated number of trail users; (6)c. adds that the new trail cleaning fee may be charged; (9)c. a cleaning fee for trail use cleaning of $50.00 per hour for a minimum of two hours; and (12) a new park road closure fee of $25.00 per hour for up to six hours on park roads in eight parks. (Please see above for modified fees in this section.)

  - *Section 74-184(a)(1). Brenton Skating Plaza* – These proposed changes add a second punch pass that allows four (4) admissions to be purchased for $25.00 and introduces skate rentals to be included for free with paid admissions, both beginning on January 2 and going through end of season. (Please see above for modified fees in this section.)

  - *Section 74-190(a)(b): Penalty and enforcement* – This proposed addition enables newly established fines to be issued so that department staff may and Police must enforce provisions of the ordinance and Parks and Recreation Rules.

Article VI. Mobile Food Vendors in Designated Parks

- *Section 74-210: Mobile Food Vendors and Transient Merchants* – The proposed change removes the temporary status of this article.

- *Section 74-210(a)(ii): Mobile Food Vendors and Transient Merchants* – The proposed change adds the ability for the concessionaire to bring food carts to the three ballpark facilities covered by the concessionaire agreement, and when the concessionaire chooses not to operate during an event covered by this agreement then for the concessionaire to agree that the event may bring a mobile vendor/merchant to the facility during the rental.

- *Section 74-210(b): Mobile Food Vendors and Transient Merchants* – The proposed change eliminates the designated parking spaces identified by on-site signage.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 9, 2024

Roll Call: 24-1685 and 24-1686

Action: Amending Chapter 74 of the Municipal Code relating to Parks and Recreation. (Council Communication No. 24-500) Moved by Gatto that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Coleman. Motion Carried 7-0.

(A) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by Ben Page, Parks and Recreation Director), requires six votes. Moved by Gatto that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,405. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Golf Advisory Committee

Date: October 16, 2025

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion by Potter to approve C-Corp's proposed fee modifications as proposed. Second by McCargar. Motion carried.

Board: Parks and Recreation Board

Date: October 28, 2025

Resolution Number: 25-072

Action: Motion by Potter to receive and file as presented. Second by Lohmeier. Motion carried.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

City Council consideration at the December 8 or 22, 2025 meeting for an anticipated effective date of January 1, 2026.

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CITY OF DES MOINES PARKS AND RECREATION	**Parks and Recreation Board Communication**	**Date**	November 25, 2025
		Agenda Item No. **Roll Call No.** 25- **Communication No.** 25- **Submitted by: Jenny Richmond, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director**	

AGENDA HEADING:

Board action regarding proposed amendments to Parks and Recreation Rules to incorporate new rules that reflect the advancements of the Parks and Recreation Department and modify select existing rules.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approving proposed changes to Parks and Recreation Rules, including these substantive changes which incorporate new rules that reflect the advancements of the Parks and Recreation Department since the adoption of this document in 2024 and modify select existing rules:

- Sections IV, V and VII: Removes wading pools
- Sections IV, V, VIII and IX: Adds limits of access and availability of water and electricity utilities
- Section VI: Notes the ages of an adult for various purposes of this section; Adds ability of staff to close the facility during no and low attendance times; clarifies minimum heights; removes specific measurements that could vary; strengthens language of rules that read like suggestions; modifies rental timeline; and eliminates non-rule language covered by our reservation software system.
- Section VIII: Disallows watercraft in buoyed swimming area at the beach; and strengthens language related to driving and vehicle parking including the ability to enforce rules.
- Section XIV: Adds basketball to facilities covered; adds lighting and pickleball court rules
- Section XVI: Disallows amplified sound
- Section XVIII: Expands list of prohibited substances
- Section XIX: Moves rules that apply to just one facility from the general rules to a facility-specific list
- Section XX: Adds ability of staff to close the facility during no and low attendance times; and modifies rental timeline

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: It is estimated that the proposed changes will have a minimal impact on revenue received by the City, but will positively impact staff time and resources dedicated to oversight, operations and maintenance.

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Parks and Recreation Rules is a separate, yet complementary, document to Chapter 74 of the Des Moines Municipal Code, which is dedicated to the organization and management of the City parks and recreation facilities and outlines the role of the Parks and Recreation Board, the authority of the Parks and Recreation Director, operation of City parks and recreation facilities and the fees for use of facilities and programs.

In addition to the Municipal Code, rules are needed for specific City parks and recreation facilities to regulate use. Although rules are not always included in the City's Municipal Code, they are enforceable when approved by the City Council.

The rules, when combined with the Municipal Code, govern the use of the City's parks and recreation facilities. Wherever possible, rules do not duplicate what is addressed in the Municipal Code.

On October 22, 2019, the Parks and Recreation Board, via Resolution No. 19-080, approved for the first time the Parks and Recreation Rules as assembled into one comprehensive document.

This is the sixth update to the rules document and incorporates changes that reflect advancements of the Parks and Recreation Department. These are described in succinct detail below. Additional minor changes are proposed to improve formatting, consistency and clarity, but do not modify the meaning of the existing rules language. These changes are in line with the continuous improvement of this document over time.

Elected and appointed leaders should use this communication as a guide to the changes, but still read in detail the proposed modifications shown with "track changes" on in the copy of the Parks and Recreation Rules provided in their meeting packet. Substantive changes include:

- *Sections IV. Enclosed Shelter Rules, V. Open Air Shelter Rules and VII. Splash Pools and Sprayground Rules (formerly VII. Wading Pools, Splash Pools and Sprayground Rules):* Proposed changes in these three sections removes wading pools from all rules sections where they were reference as these facilities have now been fully eliminated.

- *Sections IV. Enclosed Shelter Rules, V. Open Air Shelter Rules, VIII. Gray's Lake Park Rules and IX. John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park and Western Gateway Park Rules:* Proposed changes in these four sections adds the limits of access and availability of utilities to renters to the rules to correspond with what is outlined in the rental agreement and waiver language. Access to exterior water spigots are not included with any rental and it is not possible to guarantee working order of electrical outlets due to exposure to possible vandalism, weather conditions and similar impacts. Additionally, the addition strengthens renters' responsibility to not overload circuits.

- *Section VI. Swimming Pool and Aquatic Center Rules:* These proposed changes:
    - Note the ages of an adult for various purposes of this section. In regard to fees, so that we can offer greater affordability, adult pricing begins at age 19. In reference to any rule that pertains to adult otherwise, this remains consistent with widely held standards and laws defining that at age 18.
    - Add the ability of staff to close the facility one (1) hour in advance of the standard facility closing time if no patrons are present and to announce a possible closure within an hour if there are 10 or fewer patrons present for greater than one

consecutive hour and attendance does not increase within that hour to a number that the pool supervisor deems adequate.
  - Clarify minimum heights to eliminate any potential confusion if this measurement is intended as a minimum or maximum.
  - Remove specific measurements that could vary, such as water heights that could change based on weather, facility and similar conditions.
  - Strengthen language of rules that read like suggestions to eliminate confusion as to as these rules being a requirement or optional.
  - Reduce the number of days in advance that rentals must be scheduled from 10 to seven (7) days to provide a gap between that and the 10 days in advance that reservations must be canceled or modified.
  - Eliminate non-rule language covered by our reservation software system as this information is not necessary in official rules.

- *Section VIII. Gray's Lake Park Rules:* These proposed changes:
  - Disallow watercraft in buoyed swimming area at the beach to support safety and reduce risk for patrons both in the water and in watercraft.
  - Strengthen language related to limits of where driving and vehicle parking is permitted.
  - Clarify that parking at Gray's Lake Park is only for use of facilities and amenities within this park or City-owned facilities adjacent to the park and that parking for events held at another venue or non-City-owned facility are not permitted, including that violators may be ticketed and/or towed. This addition is supported by existing language in Chapter 114, Article XV and will be further strengthened by an upcoming update to Chapter 114, Article XV.

- *Section XIV. Tennis, Basketball, Pickleball and Futsal Court Rules (formerly Tennis, Pickleball and Futsal Court Rules).* These proposed changes:
  - Add basketball to the title of the section so that court rules may also apply to basketball court facilities; and
  - Add limits to when court lighting, if provided, may be on and specific pickleball court rules.

- *Section XVI. Community Recreation Center Rules:* This proposed change modifies the previous rule that limited the way music could be played to now disallowing amplified sound and supporting use of personal headphones or earbuds.

- *Section XVIII. School Park Rules:* This proposed change expands the list of prohibited substances from just alcohol and tobacco to also include illegal drugs and vape products.

- *Section XIX. Dog Park Rules:* This proposed change moves rules from the general rules list that applied to just Ewing Dog Park facility to a facility-specific list to align with the approach of other sections, and the language was modified slightly to capture all possible dog weights and places them within either small or large dog areas with no overlap.

- *Section XX. Brenton Skating Plaza Rules:* These proposed changes:
  - Add the ability of staff to close the facility one (1) hour in advance of the standard facility closing time if no patrons are present and to announce a possible closure within an hour if there are 10 or fewer patrons present for greater than one

consecutive hour and attendance does not increase within that hour to a number that the supervisor deems adequate.

- Reduce the number of days in advance that rentals must be scheduled from 10 to seven (7) days to provide a gap between that and the 10 days in advance that reservations must be canceled or modified.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 9, 2024

Roll Call: 24-1687

Action: Approval of updated City of Des Moines Parks and Recreation Rules. (Council Communication No. 24-501) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Golf Advisory Committee

Date: October 16, 2025

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion by Potter to approve C-Corp's proposed fee modifications as proposed. Second by McCargar. Motion carried.

Board: Parks and Recreation Board

Date: October 28, 2025

Resolution Number: 25-073

Action: Motion by Potter to receive and file as presented. Second by Avila. Motion carried.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Board action at the November 25, 2025 Parks and Recreation Board meeting to approve proposed amendments and City Council consideration at the December 8 or 22, 2025 meeting. Anticipated effective date of January 1, 2026.

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CITY OF DES MOINES PARKS AND RECREATION	**Parks and Recreation Board Communication**	Date: November 25, 2025 **Agenda Item No.** **Roll Call No. 25-** **Communication No. 25-** **Submitted by: Janis Steele, Recreation Manager**

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of the proposed 2026 aquatic facilities and features operating season and schedule.

SYNOPSIS:

Staff recommend that the Parks and Recreation Board approve the proposed 2026 aquatic facilities operating season dates and daily schedules for the City's aquatic centers/swimming pools, splash pools, and spraygrounds.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: $65,447 in estimated savings from rotational pool closure of each of the five main aquatic centers and swimming pools during open swim hours.

Funding Source: FY2026 Operating Budget, Parks and Recreation Department, Pools, G001 PK201261, page 147.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Operation Dates

Staff recommend the 2026 aquatic centers and swimming pools open for the main season the weekend of Saturday, May 30, and Sunday, May 31, then run from Saturday, June 6, through Sunday, August 9. We are proposing to open on June 6 to align with Des Moines Public Schools' summer break schedule. Additionally, each year one of the three aquatic centers is designated to open for Memorial Day weekend and one to stay open through Labor Day weekend to extend our season and provide an added service to our community. The rotation provides equal access across the city. The proposed dates for this year are as follows:

- Ashworth Swimming Pool: May 30 and May 31, and June 6 - August 9
- Birdland Swimming Pool: May 30 and May 31, and June 6 - August 9
- Nahas Family Aquatic Center: May 30 and May 31, and June 6 - August 9, the weekends of August 15 - 16, August 22 - 23, August 29 – 30, September 5 - 6 and September 7 (Labor Day)
- Northwest Family Aquatic Center: Weekend of May 23 - 25 (Memorial Day), May 30 and May 31, and June 6 - August 9

- Teachout Family Aquatic Center: May 30 and May 31, and June 6 - August 9

Rotational Closures

Due to budgetary constraints, staff are recommending a rotational closure of each of the five (5) main aquatic centers and swimming pools during open swim hours of the 2026 season. The facilities will still be used for aquatic programming, including swimming lessons, rentals, and training on the day they are closed. The rotation will provide equal access to each facility, closing one pool per weekday (Monday through Friday) and all facilities will be open on the weekends (Saturday and Sunday). The rotation recommended is as follows:

- Ashworth Swimming Pool: Closed Thursdays
- Birdland Swimming Pool: Closed Tuesdays
- Nahas Family Aquatic Center: Closed Mondays
- Northwest Family Aquatic Center: Closed Wednesdays
- Teachout Family Aquatic Center: Closed Fridays

Operation Hours

Staff recommend the pool operation hours at the aquatic centers change to the following hours. Saturday hours would be reduced by one hour and aquatic center hours would be reduced by one hour Monday through Friday. The previous weekday hours for aquatic centers extended operations from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. after the week of July 4. Attendance data showed less than two patrons per day on average utilized the pool during this hour. Not extending the hours will give us an opportunity to offer more evening swimming lessons, which are extremely popular. These changes also offer cost savings along with the rotational closures.

These hours will also apply to the Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends. All aquatic facilities are subject to closure for the day if the ambient temperature is below 70 degrees or if 10 or fewer people are in the water for a period of one hour or in the event of severe weather.

Pools - Ashworth and Birdland

Monday - Friday from 1 - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday from 1 - 5 p.m.
Sunday from 1 - 5 p.m.

Aquatic Centers - Nahas, Northwest, and Teachout

Monday - Friday from 1 - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday from 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday from 1 - 5 p.m.

Splash Pools

The four splash pools will operate from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and noon – 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays. All splash pools will be open Memorial Day weekend, close during the week, open the weekend of May 30 and May 31, closing during the week, and re-open June 6 through August 9. The two splash pools that will remain open through September 7 will operate from noon – 6 p.m. daily. Similar to the aquatic centers/swimming pools, the splash pool locations that remain open rotate each year.

- Union Park: Weekend of May 23-25 (Memorial Day), May 30 and May 31, and June 6 – September 7

- Pete Crivaro Park: Weekend of May 23 – 25 (Memorial Day), May 30 and May 31, and June 6 – September 7
- Martin Luther King Jr. Park: Weekend of May 23 – 25 (Memorial Day), May 30 and May 31, and June 6 – August 9
- Ashby Park: Weekend of May 2 3 – 25 (Memorial Day), May 30 and May 31, and June 6 – August 9

Spraygrounds

In recent years, spraygrounds have been added to many parks, generally replacing existing wading pools. These water playgrounds provide similar amenities to splash pools, but do not have standing water so staffing is not necessary. They also offer extended hours of 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. seven days a week from May through September, with possible extensions if weather permits. They operate on activation timers that shut off within a few minutes. Reactivation happens with the touch of a button. Spraygrounds anticipated to be open for the 2026 season include:

1. Bates Park
2. Burke Park
3. Chesterfield Park
4. Columbus Park
5. Drake Park
6. Evelyn K. Davis Park
7. Fairmont Park
8. Good Park
9. Grandview Park
10. Gray's Lake Park**
11. Greenwood Park
12. Jordan Park**
13. MacRae Park
14. McHenry Park
15. Sargent Park
16. Sayers Park**
17. Sheridan Park
18. Stone Park
19. Tower Park
20. Western Gateway Park*
21. Woodlawn Park

* *Hours may be adjusted to align with downtown and Western Gateway Park uses*

** *Subject to completed construction*

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Parks and Recreation Board

Date: February 27, 2025

Resolution No.: 21-005

Action: Motion by Bollard to approve proposed aquatic schedule. Second by Potter. Motion carried.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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Parks and Recreation Board Communication

Date	November 25, 2025

Agenda Item No.
Roll Call No. __-
Communication No. __-
Submitted by: Benjamin R. Page, Parks and Recreation Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Cancellation of the December 23, 2025, Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the cancellation of the December 23, 2025, Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

According to *Rule 5, Regular Meetings of the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Board Procedural Rules* the Board, by resolution, is allowed to continue or postpone any regular meeting to another date and time, or may cancel a meeting.

Staff recommends cancellation of the December 23, 2025, Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Parks and Recreation

Date: November 26, 2024

Resolution Number: 24-078

Action: Motion by Bollard to cancel the December meeting. Second by Beltrame. Motion carried.

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