



# City of Independence

**Parks Board**  
**Thursday, December 18, 2025 @ 6:00 PM**  
**Event Center-Heritage Room**

(see agenda footer for meeting attendance information)

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Minutes**
  - 3.1. Regular Meeting 11/20/2025
4. **Visitors/Public Comment**
  - 4.1. Email: Dawn Roden
5. **Reports/Presentations**
6. **Unfinished Business**
  - 6.1. Discussion: Final Draft Parks Master Plan (Fisher)
7. **New Business**
8. **Other Discussion/Information Items**
9. **Adjournment**

### **Meeting Attendance Information:**

The Parks Board will hold this meeting in-person in the Event Center at City Hall, via video conference (Zoom) or by phone.

- To attend in person, the City Hall address is 555 S. Main St
- For Zoom login  
visit: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88976021497?pwd=ULovDIUQaadb1VaaPlauRZDwbVMwpO.1>
- To participate in the meeting **by phone**, dial **+1-253-215-8782** and enter **Webinar ID: 889 7602 1497** and **Passcode: 205399**.

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired, or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities, should be made at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting to Myra Russell, City Recorder, 503-838-1212/TTY: 800-735-2900.

**City of Independence Parks Board Meeting**  
**Heritage Room**  
**November 20, 2025 – 6:00 pm**  
**DRAFT Minutes**

Present: Erin McIntosh (Chair), Jasper Smith (Member), Kristen Larson (Member), Bill Henley (Member), Gerald Fisher (Public Works Director)

Excused Absence: Barbara Cronin (Member)

Unexcused Absence: None

Public Present: Councilor Roden (Liaison) remote

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes  
Minutes from 4/17/25 and 5/15/25, approved.
4. Visitor/Public Comment: None
5. Staff Reports/Presentations:  
5.1 Parks System Master Plan Presentation – Consultant team presented final draft of the Parks Master Plan. Staff provided additional time for Board members to submit comments on the plan. Deadline for comments is 5:00 pm on December 5, 2025.
6. Unfinished Business: None
7. New Business: None
8. Other Discussion/Information Items: None
9. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned.

## Gerald Fisher

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**From:** Erin McIntosh <erin\_mcintosh@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 4:00 PM  
**To:** Gerald Fisher  
**Subject:** Fw: Too grand

See below

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**From:** Dawn Roden <drozen@ci.independence.or.us>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 29, 2025 9:17 AM  
**To:** Erin McIntosh <erin\_mcintosh@hotmail.com>; Shawn Irvine <irvine.shawn@ci.independence.or.us>; Kenna West <kwest@ci.independence.or.us>  
**Subject:** Too grand

Hello,

I think we could solve more of our cities problems and bring economic prosperity to our GF and downtown if we build on a scale that is more affordable. We don't need to build the "Taj Mahal" of baseball fields or swimming pool. We can use the proposed designs and construct 4 grass baseball and softball fields. It would pay for itself many times over. The swimming pool can be refurbished. There is no need for a multi million dollar facility. The longer we delay on this the more likely kids will die swimming in the river.

Shawn can get this done and be a hero. I will gladly help in any way I can. We can't cut our way out of this situation so let's build our way out.

Dawn Roden  
Sent from my office