



**City Council Workshop Meeting
May 11, 2022 | Ash North and South Conference Rooms**

**Following City Council Meeting
Approximately 8:30 p.m.**

This City Council Workshop meeting is taking place virtually and at Woodbury City Hall in the Ash North and South Conference Rooms. Members of the public may attend the meeting in person and may also join the meeting using a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device.

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Public comments will be accepted during the meeting both in person and by using the link to the virtual meeting to join the meeting and then submit your questions via the online Q&A feature within the meeting.

Questions regarding the meeting will be taken between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 651-714-3524 or at council@woodburymn.gov. Questions received after 4:30 p.m. will be responded to in the next three to seven business days.

Please note that all agenda times are estimates.

Workshop Agenda

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| 8:30 p.m. | 1. | Central Park Renovation Project Update | 22-149 |
| 9:00 p.m. | 2. | Administrator Comments and Updates ¹ | |
| 9:05 p.m. | 3. | Mayor and City Council Comments and Commission Liaison Updates ¹ | |
| 9:10 p.m. | 4. | Adjournment | |

¹ Items under comments and updates are intended to be informational or of brief inquiry. More substantial discussion of matters under comments and updates should be scheduled for a future agenda.

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**City of Woodbury, Minnesota
Office of City Administrator**

Council Workshop Letter 22-149

May 11, 2022

To: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Clinton P. Gridley, City Administrator

Subject: Central Park Renovation Project Update

Summary

In 2019, the City partnered with Washington County, the Woodbury YMCA, and South Washington County School District, to conduct a scoping and needs study for the Central Park facility. In December 2021, the City and County engaged consulting firm Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc. (HGA) and Kraus-Anderson Construction Company (Kraus-Anderson) to guide the project through schematic design to further define the final overall scope of the project and preliminary costs estimates.

As directed by Council on May 19, 2021, the schematic design includes both Option A and Option B. Staff and project partners are currently working through the initial schematic design phase and alternatives for the preliminary project scope for Options A and B.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that Council review the initial schematic design, affirm, and, if possible narrow the alternatives to provide direction to staff to help prepare the final schematic design and cost estimating for Options A and B.

Governance Mode

Generative - Identifying key questions, anticipating future challenges, framing of issues, and development of options. Problem framing. What to pay attention to, what it means, and what to do about it. How does it fit with our mission, vision and values?

Fiscal Implications

A variety of combined funding options will be presented in the future for consideration. As the project is refined, the costs are estimated, and funding agreements are drafted, staff will bring a proposal to Council for feedback and direction.

Policy

Critical Success Factor, Quality of Life
Welcoming and Inclusive Community

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Schedule

Below is an updated timeline for the project.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item</u>
2022	Community Engagement Schematic Design Define scope of project Design and Documentation Project Cost Estimating Operations Plan Funding Plan Funding agreements with facility partners
2023	Construction Documents Public bidding and Bid award Construction commences

Public Process

This project has had an opportunity to engage the public over the last several years with multiple touchpoints with the Council, the community, and a Lookout Ridge Indoor Playground survey in early 2020, as shown below. Staff anticipates additional engagement as the scope and cost estimates of the project are better defined.

November 2014	Council directed staff to complete an analysis of Central Park
2015 - 2016	Public Process, Facility Partnerships, Central Park User Surveys
2017	Contracted former Eagan City Manager, Tom Hedges and RSP Dreambox – Identify opportunities for collaboration and shared partnership vision
Fall of 2019	Authorized cooperative funding agreement and consulting design services for scope and needs study
Fall of 2020	Market Survey – Lookout Ridge Indoor Playground
November 2020	City Council Workshop
May 2021	City Council Workshop
December 8, 2021	Authorized professional consulting services for design and construction administration
April 2-22, 2022	Schematic Design public engagement included: (2) stakeholder meetings, (4) pop-up events, online survey and Social Pinpoint
April 2, 2022	Community Expo at East Ridge High School
April 12, 2022	Public Open House

Background

Central Park is a multi-use indoor park constructed in 2002 and provides a focal point that establishes the City Centre area as the heart of Woodbury. The park links to the Washington County R.H. Stafford Branch Library, Lookout Ridge Indoor Playground, the YMCA, School District 833 Early Childhood Family Education, and the Great Rivers Adult Education Consortium. Additionally, there is a well-used skyway link to the Stonecrest Community Living facility.

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Over 20 years for Central Park have passed without any significant facility updates. During that timeframe, the population has increased significantly, and the City, its residents, and its area needs continue to grow and change. Frequently, there are conflicting needs for gathering space, programming, and rental opportunities.

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