



**CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS  
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Special Meeting Minutes  
Remote Meeting via Zoom  
January 12, 2026

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Fatt called the Parks and Recreations Advisory Board (PARAB) meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**B. ROLL CALL**

All members were present for roll call except Board Members Anthony Lane and Rebecca Wood.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT FOR ROLL CALL:**

Chair Danu Fatt  
Vice Chair Tim Bresnahan  
Board Member Christina Grow  
Board Member Colin McAllister

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT FOR ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Anthony Lane (Excused)  
Board Member Rebecca Wood (Excused)

Chair Fatt asked meeting attendee and potential future PARAB member, Jehan-Ara Khan, to share a few things about herself and explain why she is interested in joining PARAB. Khan shared that Manitou Springs has been a part of her healing journey after an injury and she would like to give back to the community.

Chair Fatt asked new Council Liaison, Carey Storm, to introduce herself. Councilor Storm mentioned that she was sworn in last week for a four-year term as the Ward 2 City Council representative.

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Board Member McAllister moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Bresnahan. The motion was carried (4-0).

## **D. PRESENTATION – Hord Coplan Macht (Robyn Bartling and Mia Requesens)**

### **1. Review of 100% Design & Development Package for Soda Springs Park Phase III**

Robyn Bartling and Mia Requesens, with Hord Coplan Macht, presented a slideshow summary of the final construction design drawings for the Soda Springs Park Phase III Project. They reminded the board that the project involves restoring the lawn in front of the Bud Ford Pavilion and improving amenities on the east side of the park. Parks and Recreation Director Gillian Rossi reminded PARAB that funding has not yet been allocated for construction of Phase III at this time.

Requesens reviewed new features like trench fines walkways. The team also highlighted ongoing work with electrical engineers on lighting updates and coordination with “Chainsaw Mama” for custom sculptures. Requesens explained that soil amendment tests were completed and results were included in the design specifications. The team shared that the design plans include a rendering with and without the dumpster enclosure. They discussed a cost estimate of around \$186,000 for the west side of Phase III, which includes the sod portion of the project and would take 3 to 4 months to complete.

### **2. Discussion and Next Steps**

The board discussed exploring funding options to proceed with the project in phases, starting with the west side construction. Director Rossi reminded the group about the upcoming March 10, 2026 City Council meeting where Hord Coplan Macht will present the full design plan for Phase III and encouraged PARAB members to attend. PARAB discussed the need for further strategic planning, with Vice Chair Bresnahan suggesting a breakdown of timelines and prioritization for project starts. The board agreed to address this at their upcoming in-person meeting on February 2, 2026 at the Manitou Arts Center, starting at 5:30 PM.

## **E. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Fatt moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member McAllister. The motion was carried (4-0).  
The meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.