

Before the Tennessee Historical Commission

PETITION FOR WAIVER

**Report (Including Statement of Request, Basis Upon Which Waiver is Sought, and
Establishing Substantial Need Based on a Compelling Public Interest)**

Authority

This Petition for Waiver is submitted pursuant to the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act of 2016, in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated Section 4-1-412(c). This Petition for Waiver concerns a monument located on public land owned by the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County.

Ownership of Centennial Park

The Private Confederate Soldier Monument (the Monument) is located on public property. The Monument is located near the Parthenon in Centennial Park, which is owned by the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County. The deed where the Metropolitan Government took title to Centennial Park is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

The Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County is a public entity that exercises control over Centennial Park. *Metropolitan Charter, Sections 11.1001, 11.1002* (attached hereto). The Board of Parks and Recreation has the authority to supervise, control and operate the park and recreation system of the Metropolitan Government. *Metropolitan Charter, Sections 11.1001, 11.1002*.

Statement of Request, Basis Upon Which the Waiver is Sought, and Substantial Need for a Waiver
Based on a Compelling Public Interest

In June 2019, the Monument was vandalized with “They were racists” in red paint. In September 2019, the Parks Board approved the addition of a marker adjacent to the Monument explaining the Monument’s history and underlying motivations for placing Confederate monuments in the 20th century. *See* September 2019 Minutes of the Board of Parks and Recreation (attached hereto).

On Tuesday, January 5, 2021, the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation for Nashville and Davidson County voted unanimously to petition the state for the removal of the Private Confederate Soldier Monument that is located in Centennial Park at 2500 West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee. *See* January 5, 2021 Minutes of the Board of Parks and Recreation (attached hereto).

The Monument that is the basis of this request features a bronze sculpture of a young Confederate private holding a rifle seated on a stone. The life-size soldier sits on a stone base adorned with several carved inscriptions and a bronze plaque.

In January 1902, members of the Frank Cheatham Bivouac Number 1, Association of Confederate Soldiers, Camp 35, United Confederate Veterans (the Bivouac) began efforts to construct a monument honoring common Confederate soldiers.

Although the Bivouac, founded in 1887, engaged in numerous noble pursuits, such as establishing a home for indigent and disabled veterans at the Hermitage, caring for Confederate graves, and providing benevolent programs for veterans, it also sought to influence historical memory by altering the Civil War narrative in textbooks in public schools and erecting Confederate monuments in public spaces.

Thus, while the Bivouac's desire to honor common soldiers seems innocuous, that motivation and the bivouac's execution of its goal must be viewed within the broader historical context. In September 1889, the Bivouac condemned history books "mischievous in tone and sentiment, untruthful in statement and tending to perpetuate the resentments of the civil war."¹ Civil War veterans and their memorial and fraternal organizations across the United States engaged in a campaign of memorial building during the first two decades of the 20th century. This period was characterized by Civil War veterans dying, African Americans demanding equal rights, and state and local governments strengthening Jim Crow laws. Memorials to the Confederacy served as potent reminders of actions being taken in order to maintain the power status quo.

The Bivouac's focus on the common soldier was not innovative, but rather part of a growing trend in the United States. By honoring common soldiers, people embraced a narrow and more sanitized narrative of the Civil War that removed the decision makers, responsible for leading good people into the war, and left only the common man's devotion to hearth and home.

Unlike most monuments honoring soldiers erected at the time, the Bivouac's monument would not honor the dead. Instead, it would recognize those who survived the war and lived long enough to join the Frank Cheatham Bivouac, as evidenced by a large bronze plaque mounted on the west face of the base.

Although some viewed the soldier's expression as contemplative, historic newspaper articles and addresses featured at the cornerstone and unveiling ceremonies reveal the creators' true intention was to elevate the carefully crafted image of a soldier that would not betray the Lost Cause ideology sweeping the south around the turn of the nineteenth century. On February 28, 1903, *The Nashville Banner* announced the completion of the model of the Private Confederate Soldier Monument and published the following description:

¹ "The Tennessee Vets: What Old Soldiers have Done to Organize," *The Daily American*, September 7, 1889, accessed on newspapers.com on August 14, 2019.

The figure is more than ideal: it is typical. . . . Hope and vigor are still with him and he is as determined as when he first shouldered the musket, but he is no longer the gay, boyish patriot, but the man who has suffered and is ready to suffer still more for the cause which he believes is right and just.²

On June 15, 1904, the second day of the Confederate Veterans Association, Tennessee Division annual reunion, an estimated 10,000 spectators attended the cornerstone laying in Centennial Park.³ Masons marched from the Masons' Grand Lodge on Church Street to Union Station where they boarded a special train for transport to the entrance of Centennial Park. From the entrance, mounted police, the 7th Cavalry Band, and the local commandry of the Knights Templar led the procession to the site selected for the Private Confederate Soldier Monument. The foundation, prepared in advance to receive a copper box of donated items "to be found, perhaps, by people of some future century" was encircled by members of the First Regiment Reserves, Confederate Veterans. Henry Watterson, editor of *The Courier Journal*, Louisville, Kentucky, delivered the keynote address, the majority of which supported the Lost Cause ideology embraced across the south. Henry Watterson's words demonstrated his belief that the Confederacy lived on through those rejecting an end to its cause, as he stated, "We build this monument to valor. We build it to probity. We build it in glorious tribute to the men who fell by our side. We build it to the spirit of the dead Confederacy." Watterson also emphasized the way that the war was beneficial to Southern whites, as he declared "Let us rejoice that out of the wreck of the South – and our beloved Tennessee, twin sister of my own beloved Kentucky – saved both her racehood [sic] and her manhood."⁴

On June 19, 1909, uniformed members of the Tennessee National Guard escorted members of the Bivouac to Centennial Park in three electric cars provided by the Nashville Railway and Light Company. Several hundred members of local United Daughters of the Confederacy chapters met the bivouac at the gate commencing a parade through the park led by the Industrial School Band. Judge S. F. Wilson stated, "I have no apologies to make for the humble part I played in the Civil War. Under the same conditions and the same circumstances I would do the same again. The test of the greatness of the private Confederate soldier comes in the strength of his loyalty to our reunited country." He closed his remarks with, "In honoring the private soldier with this monument you honor yourselves!"⁵ At the appropriate moment, Major Hord's granddaughters Annie Warner and Josephine Boensch and Winston Pilcher Folk, grandson of Captain M. B. Pilcher, pulled on the draping of two Confederate flags revealing a bronze sculpture. T. P. Weakly, president of the bivouac, presented the monument to F. P. McWorter, chairman of the Park Commission. Following the dedication in 1909, the Frank Cheatham Bivouac and related organizations held events at the Private Confederate Soldier Monument in honor of Confederate Memorial Day and as part of reunions and conferences. The Monument has continued to be a rallying point for Confederate memorialization services, including the Southern League's (a recognized hate group now known

² "The Confederate Private Soldier," *The Nashville Banner*, February 28, 1903, Newspapers.com (accessed July 16, 2020).

³ "Corner-Stone Laid," *The Nashville American*, June 16, 1904, Newspapers.com (accessed August 15, 2019).

⁴ "To the Privates of the South: Corner-Stone of Monument Laid To-day," *The Nashville Banner*, June 15, 1904, Newspapers.com (accessed July 21, 2020).

⁵ "Tribute Paid Rank and File: Monument to Confederate Private is Unveiled," *The Nashville American*, June 20, 1909, Newspapers.com (accessed June 7, 2019).

as the League of the South⁶) birthday celebration at the Confederate Private Soldier Monument in June 1995.

In June 2019, the Monument was vandalized with “They were racists” in red paint. Although a marker has since been placed next to the Monument, there remains a continued risk of vandalism to the Monument at its current placement.

⁶ “League of the South,” Southern Poverty Law Center, <https://www.splcenter.org/fighting-hate/extremist-files/group/league-south> (accessed August 12, 2020).

Charter of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee

Sec. 11.1001. - Established; qualifications, term and selection of members.

There shall be a metropolitan board of parks and recreation, sometimes in this chapter called "the board." The board shall consist of seven (7) members, who shall serve without compensation. One of the members of the board shall be a member of the board of education, selected by said board of education for a term of one (1) year; and another member of the board shall be a member of the planning commission, selected by said planning commission for a term of one (1) year. Five (5) members of the board, who shall hold no other public office, shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by a majority of the whole membership of the council. Said five (5) members shall serve terms of five (5) years each, provided that the first members appointed shall serve terms of one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) and five (5) years, respectively. Any vacancy due to any cause, other than expiration of term, shall be filled for the unexpired term.

Sec. 11.1002. - Powers and duties.

The board shall have the following powers and duties:

1. The board shall supervise, control and operate the park and recreation system of the metropolitan government.
2. It shall formulate the policies to be followed in the administration of the park and recreation system; and shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be appropriate with respect to the administration of its policies.
3. It shall employ, subject to the civil service provisions of this Charter and within its budget appropriation and other available funds, a director of parks and recreation and such superintendents and other employees as it deems necessary.
4. It shall review, approve, reject or amend the annual budget request as compiled by the director.
5. It shall recommend to the council (a) the sale of any lands owned by the metropolitan government for park or recreation purposes and no longer needed for such purposes, (b) the acquisition by condemnation of any additional lands needed for park or recreation purposes, and (c) the acceptance of any gift of lands offered for park or recreation purposes and useful for such purposes. In the acquisition or disposition of land, the board shall cooperate closely with the planning commission, whose recommendations shall be sought and carefully considered by the board.
6. It shall have the authority to establish the fees and charges within the administration of the park and recreation department. It shall have sole authority of all matters pertaining to the operations of concessions.

Sec. 11.1003. - Director of parks and recreation—Qualifications.

The director of parks and recreation shall have at least five (5) years' experience in park or recreation administration in a supervisory or executive capacity.

Sec. 11.1004. - Same—Powers and duties.

The director shall be the chief administrative officer in charge of the management of public parks, playgrounds and other recreational areas and of a comprehensive recreation program for the area of the metropolitan government. He or she shall administer the policies of the board, recommend rules and regulations to the board for its consideration, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her by the board or by ordinance.

(Amended by referendum election of November 6, 2018, Amdt. 6)

Sec. 11.1005. - Police protection for parks.

The board may employ custodial personnel who shall be designated as special police by the chief of police, without obligation to give a public officer's liability bond as provided for by section 8.205 of this Charter, and whose jurisdiction as special police shall be limited to the area of parks, playgrounds and other recreational areas. This section shall not be deemed to interfere with the right of the department of police to exercise police jurisdiction within said areas, nor with the duty to provide such police personnel as may be reasonably requested by the director of parks and recreation for the maintenance of law and order therein.

CERTIFICATION

I, Elizabeth Waites, duly appointed Metropolitan Clerk of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, hereby certify the foregoing true and exact copy of Sections 11.1001 through 11.1005 of the Charter of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, said Charter having been approved referendum on June 28, 1962, and amended on October 21, 1965; November 8, 1966; August 5, 1971; November 7, 1972; November 5, 1974; November 2, 1976; November 7, 1978; November 4, 1980; August 4, 1983; November 4, 1986; March 8, 1988; August 1, 1991; September 5, 1991; November 3, 1992; November 8, 1994; November 5, 1996; August 7, 2003; November 7, 2006; August 2, 2007; November 4, 2008; November 2, 2010; August 4, 2011; November 6, 2012; August 6, 2015; November 6, 2018; and August 1, 2019 .

WITNESS MY HAND and the Seal of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee, this 22nd day of December, 2021.



Metropolitan Clerk

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

September 3, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 12:00 pm at Hartman Park Regional Recreation Center, 2801 Tucker Road, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Dr. Michelle Steele, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes, Mr. Stan Fossick, Ms. Tari Hughes, Mr. Jeff Haynes and Dr. Sharon Gentry. Mr. George Anderson was not in attendance.

Staff present were: Ms. Chinita White, Administration and Finance; Mr. Rick Taylor, Consolidated Maintenance; Mr. Stevon Neloms, Community Recreation; Mr. Tim Netsch, Planning and Facilities; Mr. John Holmes, Revenue Producing Facilities; Mr. Jim Hester, Outdoor Recreation/Special Events; Ms. Cindy Harrison, Greenways; Capt. Chris Taylor, Parks Police; Ms. Jackie Jones, Community Affairs and **Ms. Macy Amos, representing the Metro Legal Department.**

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AUGUST 6, 2019 APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Mr. Haynes, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, August 6, 2019 as presented.

V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

Ms. Odom introduced Ms. Tonya Hancock, newly elected council member representing District 9.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

08-19-05

BOARD APPROVES TWO PERMANENT EASEMENTS AND ONE TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT 1. HARPETH RIVER PARK AS REQUESTED BY THE HARPETH VALLEY UTILITIES DISTRICT

Mr. Jared Williams, representing the Harpeth Valley Utilities District, was present to request the board to approve two (2) permanent easements and one (1) temporary construction easement on Metro property, Parcel 14200021700, for installation of new sanitary sewer force main at the Harpeth Youth Soccer Association complex in Harpeth River Park.

As per recommendation of the Acquisition Committee, upon motion of Ms. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Haynes, the board approved request of the Harpeth Valley Utilities District. It is Metro Parks understanding that this sewer project is slated to begin in September 2019 and construction on the subject parcel is slated for November 2019. This project consists of approximately 16,000 feet of 24-inch sewer which will address capacity issues at the Flat Creek pump station and once construction is complete the site will be restored back to its original landscape.

08-19-06

BOARD ACCEPTS RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE TO HAVE THE CONFEDERATE PRIVATE MONUMENT REMAIN IN CENTENNIAL PARK WITH CONTEXTUAL INTERPRETATIVE SIGNAGE

Lieutenant Colonel Ron Hartley, representing the AMVETS Legislative Task Force, addressed the board in support of the provisions of the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act to protect military historical monuments, markers, headstones, statues and commemorative plaques.

Ms. Krista Castillo, Museum Coordinator at the Fort Negley Visitor's Center, provided the board with history of the monument.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

08-19-06 (con't.)

**BOARD ACCEPTS RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE
TO HAVE THE CONFEDERATE PRIVATE MONUMENT REMAIN
IN CENTENNIAL PARK WITH CONTEXTUAL INTERPRETATIVE SIGNAGE**

Therefore, after much discussion and as per recommendation of the board's Public Art Committee, upon motion of Ms. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Fossick, the board approved retaining the monument in Centennial Park and providing contextual and interpretive signage at the site. Ms. Odom will present a proposed timeline for the completion of this project to the board at a later date.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

09-19-01

BOARD APPROVES SEPTEMBER 2019 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Scott Barnes, the board approved the September 2019 consent agenda as presented.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

• TN Army National Guard-picnic	Cedar Hill Park Shelters 1 & 2	Sat., Sept. 7, 2019
• Nashville Downtown Partnership	Walk of Fame Park-Tug of War	Wed., Sept. 11, 2019
• Stuart Brown-picnic	Edwin Warner Picnic Shelter 2	Sat., Sept. 14, 2019
• Anna Patton - picnic	West Park picnic shelter	Sat., Sept. 14, 2019
• Premier Parking - picnic	Edwin Warner Picnic Shelter 3	Sat., Sept. 21, 2019
• Barre Roots - pop up barre class	Red Caboose Playground	Sat., Sept. 21, 2019
• Infinite Hospitality-private event	Parthenon	Tues., Sept. 24, 2019
• Vanderbilt Medical Center-picnic	Centennial Park Event Shelter	Fri., Sept. 27, 2019
• LEAD Monitoring Program-festival	Elizabeth Park	Sat., Sept. 28, 2019
• Brittany Love - wedding	Centennial Park Sunken Garden	Sat., Sept. 28, 2019
• Nashville Life Church-Movies in Park	Fannie Mae Dees Park	Sat., Sept. 28, 2019
• Glenciff Neighborhood Association	Coleman Center-Night Out against Crime	Tues., Oct. 8, 2019
• Southern Festival of Books	Church Street Park	Oct. 11, 12, 13, 2019
• The Budd Group - Harvest Festival	Two Rivers Park	Sat., Nov. 2, 2019
• HCA - Caring for Community event	Centennial Park Event Shelter	Fri., Nov. 8, 2019
• Swing Dance Nashville-dance	Centennial Park Event Shelter	Sat., Feb. 22, 2020
• YMCA Healthy Kids Day Festival	Marion Park	Sat., April 18, 2020
• Prevent Child Abuse TN	Sevier Park-Pinwheel Festival	Sat., May 2, 2020
• Cumberland River Compact-Waterfest	Cumberland Park	Sun., July 12, 2020
• Nashville Greck Picnic	Cumberland Park	Sat., Aug. 1, 2020
• Jacques Hargrove - picnic	Sevier Park picnic shelter 1	Sat., Aug. 22, 2020

FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

• Maria Cartmell - cancer survivors event	Parthenon	Sun., Sept. 22, 2019
• Walk Bike Nashville - triathlon	Shelby Park	Sun., Oct. 13, 2019

ALCOHOL APPROVAL

• Kathleen Donais-Bridal Shower	Hodge House-Warner Park	Sun., Sept. 22, 2019
• Sarah Salim - dance showcase	Centennial Performing Arts Studios	Fri., Oct. 11, 2019
• DPR Construction-company picnic	Centennial Park Event Shelter	Fri., Oct. 18, 2019
• Kim McCaskill-wedding	Cumberland Park East Bank Oval	Fri., July 17, 2020

AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

• Top Buttons Halloween Fun Run	Edwin Warner Park Shelters 6 & 10	Sat., Oct. 26, 2019
• Girls on the Run Spring 5k	Shelby Park Event Field	Sat., May 16, 2020
• TN Stormwater Association-5k/festival	Shelby Park Event Field	Sat., Aug. 1, 2020

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09-19-01 9 (con't.)

BOARD APPROVES SEPTEMBER 2019 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Scott Barnes, the board approved the September 2019 consent agenda as presented.

AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL APPROVAL

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| • Daddy's Dogs-Nashtoberfest | Richland Park | Sat., Oct. 5, 2019 |
| • Maple Ridge Events-private event | Walk of Fame Park | Mon., March 9, 2020 |
| • Musicians Corner | Centennial Park Front Lawn | Friday, May 8, 15, 22, 29; |
| | June 5, 12, 26, 2020 | Saturday, May 9, 16, 23, 30; June 6, 13, 27, 2020 |
| • Wildhorse Saloon/AAPD-private event | Riverfront Park | Fri., Aug. 22, 2020 |

ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Centennial Park Conservancy | Parthenon – Art Symposium | Wed., Sept. 25, 2019 |
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AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL, AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Partners Non-Profit-TN Beer and Wine Festival | Grounds of Two Rivers Mansion | Sat., Oct. 19, 2019 |
| • Project 615 – Nashville Festival | Sevier Park | Sat., Nov. 2, 2019 |
| • Cumberland River Compact-cocktail party | Cumberland Park | Fri, June 19, 2020 |
| • Cumberland River Compact-Dragon Boat Festival | Cumberland Park, | Sat., Sept. 12, 2020 |

AMPLIFICATION AND SELLING MERCHANDISE

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| • Theresa Steward-1 yr. anniversary/Launch Party | Southeast Regional Center | Sat., Oct. 12, 2019 |
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CHARGING PARTICIPATION FEE

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| • Leadership Academy LLC-Nature Day Camp | Bells Bend & Beaman Parks | June 1 – July 3, 2020 |
| • Leadership Academy LLC-Nashville Sail Camp | Hamilton Creek Marina | July 6 – August 7, 2020 |
| • Leadership Academy LLC-Camp Two Rivers | Two Rivers Grow Garden Site | July 6 – July 31, 2020 |

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

09-19-02

**BOARD APPROVES LEASE BETWEEN METRO PARKS AND
THE SPORTS AUTHORITY FOR A NEW COMMUNITY ICE HOCKEY
AND SKATING COMPLEX AT ONE BELLEVUE PLACE**

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved request by Staff to approve lease between Metro Parks and the Sports Authority for a new community ice hockey and skating recreation complex at One Bellevue Place. Below are the recitals of the contract document:

1. Metro Parks and the Sports Authority have determined that a new community ice hockey and skating recreation complex at One Bellevue Place encourages and fosters economic development and prosperity and provides recreational and other opportunities for the citizens of Nashville and Davidson County.
2. Metro Parks owns and operates property located at One Bellevue Place, 7638 Highway 70S, Nashville, TN, map/parcel 12800019600 on which, pursuant to Resolutions RS2017-713 and RS2017-963 it has caused a new recreation center and ice sports complex to be developed and constructed ("Building") utilizing the Metropolitan Government General Services Department as project manager.
3. Pursuant to Section 7-67-109 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, the Sports Authority has the express power to acquire land by lease in order to operate a project such as a sports and recreation facility.
4. Pursuant to Section 7-67-111 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, Metro Parks is permitted to convey land by lease to the Sports Authority.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

09-19-02 (con't.)

**BOARD APPROVES LEASE BETWEEN METRO PARKS AND
THE SPORTS AUTHORITY FOR A NEW COMMUNITY ICE HOCKEY
AND SKATING COMPLEX AT ONE BELLEVUE PLACE**

5. Metro Parks has agreed to lease to the Sports Authority and the Sports Authority has agreed to lease from Metro Parks a portion of the Building known as Suite B as depicted on Exhibit A to be operated by the Sports Authority or the Sports Authority's contractor as an ice rink open to the public for sporting and recreational purposes and other activities within the mission of the Sports Authority.

09-19-03

**BOARD GRANTS APPROVAL TO THE NASHVILLE PARKS FOUNDATION,
THE OASIS CENTER AND SORBA-MID TN TO RAISE FUNDS
FOR THE WATKINS PARK PUMP TRACK**

In December 2018, the Board approved inclusion of the Watkins Park Pump Track to the annual permit issued to SORBA-Mid TN for construction and maintenance of mountain bike facilities countywide. SORBA, Oasis and the Nashville Parks Foundation have since partnered to raise funds for the pump track. Per the annual permit, SORBA will design and build the pump track. The completed facility will be donated at no cost to Metro Parks.

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Mr. Haynes, the board granted approval to the Nashville Parks Foundation, the Oasis Center and SORBA-Mid TN to raise funds for the Watkins Park Pump Track.

09-19-04

**BOARD GRANTS APPROVAL TO THE NASHVILLE PARKS FOUNDATION,
TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
THREE (3) FIVE-A-SIDE SOCCER FIELDS IN COLEMAN PARK**

The proposed project has been reviewed by the Planning, Maintenance, Recreation and Special Events divisions. The synthetic turf fields are proposed to be located on the footprint of an existing, poorer quality multi-use field. The proposed fields will have gross dimensions of approximately 125' x 225'. The intent is for the fields to be designated for general community use. All final plans, donor recognition and other terms require approval of Metro Parks staff and compliance with all applicable standards and policies. The completed facility will be donated at no cost to Metro Parks.

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Scott Barnes, the board granted approval to the Nashville Parks Foundation to raise funds for the development of three (3) five-a-side soccer fields in Coleman Park.

IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

**MR. RIDLEY WILLS, REPRESENTING THE FRIENDS OF AAITTIFAMA
ARCHEOLOGICAL PARK PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD**

Mr. Wills began by thanking Metro Parks' employees, Mr. Tim Netsch and Ms. Amrita Chatterjee, for their assistance with the Master Plan and the LPRF grant compliance. He stated that Hodgson and Douglass Landscape Architects are preparing the long-term Master Plan and the LPRF grant will build it. Friends of Aaittifama are funding the design, permitting, etc. and at the completion of this project, there should be \$200,000 in the bank to assist with maintenance of park. Currently 95% through the construction document and stormwater permitting is currently with TDEC. Should be going to Codes this week (September 2).

IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

**MR. RIDLEY WILLS, REPRESENTING THE FRIENDS OF AAITTIFAMA
ARCHEOLOGICAL PARK PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD (con't.)**

The initial phase will consist of:

- Pull in from Old Hickory Boulevard
- Building entrance plaza walkway
- Signage (will be maintenance free)
- Part palisade wall

There is no history from the people who disappeared in 1450 and although they were here for thousands of years, they did not leave their stories to be told. Friends of Aaittifama are trying to save this last remaining village in Davidson County. Building the palisade wall, which is a fortification made of wood and located 12 feet north from where the original palisade wall was located, with 6-inch core 10 steel posts and at the 13-foot mark and up on the posts everything above will be painted yellow ochre or be lighted going up each foot. Building off and north of the exact location of the wall so as not to disturb all the archeological knowledge which is based south of the original wall and to preserve what is left. At night all poles above 13 feet will light up and resemble a streak of light. This method is to make an artist's image of what was here and hoping that people driving by will wonder what it is and research it.

Ms. Hughes, board member, asked Mr. Wills how they knew when in that 6 month period of 1420 the wall was built? He responded that you cannot tell from the type wood that was taken from the older posts; however, you can tell within 6 months when the post hole was dug because of the seeds from the squash and beans workers spit into the post hole.

This project is scheduled to begin Spring 2020 and hopefully completed in Fall 2020.

X. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – Tim Netsch

- **Centennial Master Plan Phase Two Great Lawn** – small crews working on identifying underground utilities.
- **Jefferson Street** – Construction by MDHA begins this month.
- **Shelby Bottoms – Cornelia Fort Playground** – Construction should be completed this month.

XI. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – Jackie Jones

This month there are 20 walks/runs, 14 festivals and 9 weddings.

September 5	5:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Hummingbird Happy Hour Warner Park Nature Center
September 7–October 19 (Friday & Saturday)		Musician's Corner Centennial Park
September 19, 20, 21		African Street Festival Hadley Park
September 22	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Learn to Ride a Bike Class Cornelia Fort

XII. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Ms. Odom introduced Ms. Adrean Gregory, Facility Coordinator, at Hartman Regional Center. Ms. Gregory welcomed everyone to the center and stated that she has been working with Metro Parks for 22 years.

XII. DEPARTMENT UPDATES (continued)

Ms. Gregory said that on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays she works with senior programming. They have a line dancing group that has been in existence for 18 years and still growing strong. There are 80 participants at Hadley and 40 at Hartman. Out of this line dancing class a group was established that go out into the community and perform an average of 13-14 free performances annually. There is also a large population of seniors who gather and walk each morning on the adjacent greenway.

The Summer Program averages 130 youth and a showcase is presented at the end of the Summer. It is mandatory that all participate by singing, dancing, playing music, etc. If one participant doesn't participate it will cause a domino effect so all participants have to be involved. This program and the showcase help to develop self-esteem, learn a skill and promote participation.

Mr. Contee Harris oversees the swimming pool and has a traveling swim team in which the majority of his youth swimmers receive scholarships.

The After-school Program involves Robert E. Lillard Elementary, Haynes Middle School, and Whites Creek High School. All three of these schools are priority schools and Hartman staff volunteer during their breaks at least once a week at one of the schools. (Purpose Prep students arrive at 4:30 pm). NAZA program with Haynes Middle School in the afternoon is right at 30 youth; however, only approved for 15 and Robert E. Lillard has about 45 attendees. Staff makes sure all youth also participate in sports activities.

Ms. Odom expressed her appreciation for facility managers like Ms. Gregory who are so committed to the community, center participants and promote activities that generate attendance.

XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Ms. Odom reported:

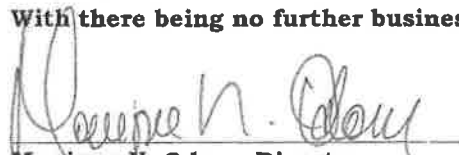
- The ribbon cutting for Red Caboose Playground was held Saturday, August 17 with a great turnout.
- 100th birthday celebration for Mrs. Lillie Bolton was held on Friday, August 16 at Elizabeth Senior Center.
- The Woman's Equality Day event was held on Saturday, August 24 in Centennial Park.
- Special Olympic Golf Tournament was held at Two Rivers Golf Course and raised \$12,000.
- A wheel chair adaptive open hockey session was held at the Centennial Sportsplex.
- Chew Crew will return to Fort Negley to assist with landscape maintenance.
- Wave Pool and Cumberland Spray Park closed for the season Monday, September 2nd.
- Bridge in Shelby Park at Davidson Street is beyond repair and currently working on a new design.
- Improvements to Elmington Park Tennis Courts will be delayed until Spring.

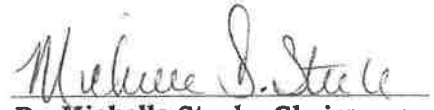
Ms. Odom thanked all board members and staff who participated in the first of many site visit tours to be held for the board. She was happy to feature staff, programming, and services of our department.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/OPEN ITEMS

Naming of the Jefferson Street Pocket Park will be included on the October Parks Board Agenda.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Monique N. Odom, Director


Dr. Michelle Steele, Chairperson

CERTIFICATION

I, Monique Horton Odom, duly appointed Director and Secretary to the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, hereby certify the foregoing true and exact copy of the minutes of the Board of Parks and Recreation for the September 3, 2019 meeting, said minutes having been approved on October 1, 2019.

WITNESS MY HAND this 13 day of January, 2022.


Monique Horton Odom

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING JANUARY 5, 2021

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 12:00 pm via teleconference and was broadcast through the Metro Nashville Network, (MNN) <http://stream.nashville.gov> and select MNN, live on Nashville's Comcast Channel 3, AT&T UVerse Channel 99, Google Fiber channel 3 and streamed live on the MNN Roku app. Board members present were: Dr. Michelle Steele, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes, Ms. Tari Hughes, Mr. George Anderson, Mr. Crews Johnston, Dr. Sharon Gentry and Mr. Jeff Haynes. Ms. Macy Amos, representing the Metro Legal Department was also in attendance.

Dr. Michelle Steele, chair, called the meeting to order and stated that the first order of business will be a motion to determine under the Governor's Executive Order #16 that the meeting agenda constitutes essential business of this board and meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 outbreak. Ms. Scott Barnes moved for approval, Dr. Sharon Gentry seconded, and the board approved without objection.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 1, 2020 APPROVED

Upon motion of Dr. Gentry, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, December 1, 2020 as presented.

IV. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

Councilmember Nancy VanReece representing the 8th Council District was in attendance. She thanked everyone for their support and diligence in parks and recreation activities. She also announced that Director Odom and staff will make a presentation on the benefits and impacts of Metro Parks and Recreation to the Parks, Library and Arts committee of the Metropolitan Council on January 11, 2021.

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

GIARRATANA DEVELOPMENT LLC PRESENTS VISION FOR CHURCH STREET PARK

Before Mr. Giarratana's presentation Dr. Steele, chair of the Parks Board, provided the following background information regarding use of Church Street Park:

- May 2020 the board approved a grant of an in-kind gift of \$465,000 for the purpose of improvements to and programming of Church Street Park from the Historical Capital Corridor Foundation with work to conclude Spring 2021.

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

GIARRATANA DEVELOPMENT LLC PRESENTS VISION
FOR CHURCH STREET PARK

- November 2020 the board agreed to seek public comment from all groups who have ideas for improvements to Church Street Park located at 600 Church Street, Nashville, TN. Interested parties were invited to present their ideas at today's meeting.

Mr. Tony Giarratana began his presentation by encouraging the board to pursue a long-term solution to the chronic challenges that Church Street Park has presented to the Church Street neighborhood. He stated he was aware the park was closed last year for renovations in preparation for the Anne Dallas Dudley centennial anniversary and that new grass has been planted and new landscaping installed. Since the park was closed the atmosphere and walkability of the Church Street neighborhood has much improved and he remains hopeful that when it reopens that improvement will continue and that the park will not just become a prettier homeless encampment. However, if the park reverts to its prior unacceptable state after reopening, Mr. Giarratana is requesting the Board to issue a request for proposals for the long term repurposing of the park in a manner that will enhance the Church Street neighborhood, including the Robert A.M. Stern designed library across the street. If the Board issues an RFP, Giarratana Development will submit a proposal which is previewed below:

- MDHA owns property at Jo Johnston and 16th Avenues that it has sought to redevelop for permanent supportive housing for several years. Giarratana Development will provide the funds and expertise to undertake development of such a property with 60 residential units: 15 units for homeless youth, 15 units for homeless veterans and 15 units for intellectually disadvantaged ("IDD") residents. As each IDD resident needs a caregiver, an additional 15 units would be provided for those caregivers.
- This project has a budget of \$9 million without Giarratana fees and would be financed totally by his company and associates. Upon completion, the property and completed development would remain the property of MDHA, or one of its nonprofit affiliates. This project would be a significant advance towards achieving Metro's stated desire to provide permanent supportive housing for homeless and other disadvantaged residents.
- In return, Metro would convey the park property to Giarratana Development LLC with entitlements that would facilitate a magnificent redevelopment of that property which would enhance the Church Street neighborhood, including the Library, and provide an enormous boost to Metro's property tax rolls.

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

**GIARRATANA DEVELOPMENT LLC PRESENTS VISION
FOR CHURCH STREET PARK**

Giarratana Development's primary goal is a positive repurposing of Church Street Park. The work currently being undertaken and proposed may do that and, if so, Mr. Giarratana stated that he will be a strong supporter of this effort. However, if it does not, Mr. Giarratana respectfully requests that the board undertake a request for proposal ("RFP") process so that a mechanism can be identified to address the chronic challenges presented by the park, once and for all.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

08-19-06

**STAFF TO REVISIT RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BOARD REGARDING
INITIATING THE PETITION PROCESS FOR REMOVAL/RELOCATION
OF THE PRIVATE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT IN CENTENNIAL PARK**

The monument is a statue of a confederate private in uniform with a rifle created by sculptor, George Julian Zolnay, who designed many other confederate sculptures. The monument includes a plaque with the names of 540 members of the Frank Cheatham Bivouac. The monument was dedicated in Centennial Park on June 19, 1909. The purpose of this staff request is out of concern because the monument was vandalized by an unknown perpetrator in June 2019. The word "racists" was painted with red spray paint on the monument and our maintenance department cleaned the monument immediately after discovery. Since then and before, the department has received inquiries from the public if this monument should be located on public property.

In 2017 Metro Parks convened a group of local historians and representatives from the Historical Commission and learned at that time the monument could not be removed or relocated without State approval; therefore, the board will have to vote to determine how to proceed as the board has never addressed this monument.

At the August 2019 Parks Board Meeting, upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Scott-Barnes, the board deferred this request to the Public Arts Committee of the Parks Board.

At the September 2019 board meeting upon recommendation of the board's Public Arts Committee, the board approved retaining the monument in Centennial Park and providing contextual and interpretive signage at the site.

Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes, board member, had requested to revisit this topic at the first in person meeting of the board; however, with an indefinite date to return to such meetings and the untimely deaths of Breonna Taylor and George Floyd she asked that the board go ahead and revisit.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

08-19-06 (con't.)

**STAFF TO REVISIT RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BOARD REGARDING
INITIATING THE PETITION PROCESS FOR REMOVAL/RELOCATION
OF THE PRIVATE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT IN CENTENNIAL PARK**

Ms. Scott-Barnes stated that Parks ability to make changes are restricted by the State; however, with the Centennial Park renovation it seems there hasn't been any additional vandalism which is more likely the result of the statue been behind fencing in a closed park She stated she is concerned as a board member but would like to hear from other board members. Ms. Scott-Barnes also stated that when this park property is vandalized it becomes costly to Parks to continue to maintain it. She also said the Centennial Park Master Plan suggests moving the statue to *Flagpole Hill in Centennial Park where there is more space for contextualizing and additional signage as well as other civil war items located in that area.

Ms. Hughes stated that she agreed the statue is a divisive symbol and wasn't sure what the action would be. Macy Amos, legal advisor to Metro Parks, stated that Parks is constrained by State law, generally the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act prohibits the removal, relocation, or renaming of a memorial that is located on public property. A public entity such as the Parks Board may petition the Tennessee Historical Commission for a waiver from that prohibition and the commission will vote on whether to grant or deny waiver. The Tennessee Historical Commission is made up of 24 governor appointed members and five ex-officio members. These appointees will vote for removal or relocating the monument in our own park.

Dr. Steele stated that this came back up because legislators are going through the process to remove the bust of Nathan Bedford Forrest from the State Chambers; therefore, in light of this returning to their agenda it is a good time for Parks to present request to them as well.

Dr. Gentry asked if the State is having to go thru this process to remove the bust – isn't that considered state property? Ms. Amos was not sure of the process as every year the legislature votes on whether to remove the bust or not. Dr. Gentry stated that the legislators are seeking relocation of the bust to the Tennessee State Museum. Dr. Gentry asked for the motion to be clear if we are asking the State to relocate or remove the statue.

Dr. Steele asked for a motion. Ms. Scott-Barnes motioned to petition the State to remove the monument and Dr. Gentry seconded. The board unanimously approved.

***Please note that Flagpole Hill, a point of reference in Centennial Park mentioned in the minutes for agenda item 08-19-06, was officially named First Amendment Hill by the Parks Board in November 1992.**

VI. OLD BUSINESS

12-20-07

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF NASHVILLE ELECTRIC SERVICE
FOR A 20' x 5' EASEMENT IN ORCHARD BEND PARK
TO INSTALL A POLE WIRE ANCHOR**

Upon recommendation of the acquisition committee and as per parks policy 3000.25, Ms. Hughes motioned, and Mr. Anderson seconded, and the board approved the request of Nashville Electric Service for a 20' x 5' permanent easement in Orchard Bend Park along Pettus Road, parcel number 17400000700, to install a pole wire anchor.

This approval grants Nashville Electric Service the perpetual right to enter and to erect, maintain, repair and rebuild, operate and patrol electric power overhead conductors and communication circuits with poles, anchors and all necessary equipment reasonably incident thereto including the right to keep the same clear of brush, timber, inflammable structures, buildings, permanent structures, and fire hazards; all over, upon, and across parcel number 17400000700 on Pettus Road at Orchard Bend Park.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

01-21-01

BOARD APPROVES JANUARY 2021 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved the January 2021 consent agenda with the omission of the Diamondhead Chili Cookoff.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

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| • Diamondhead Logistics/Chili Cookoff | Centennial Park | Sat., Feb. 20, 2021 |
| • Rejoice School of Ballet/recital | East Park | Sat., May 1, 2021 |
| • Anika Trice Pride | Watkins Park | Sat., June 19, 2021 |
| • MJ Catering/Wedding | Parthenon Lawn | Sun., July 11, 2021 |
| • All Community Events-Turkey Trot/Run Two Rivers Park | | Thurs., Nov. 25, 2021 |

AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING

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| • Gilda's Club of Middle TN-5K & fun run | Shelby Park Event Field | Sat., April 3, 2021 |
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AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL

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| • RL Gant Group/Festival | Walk of Fame Park | Sept. 3-5, 2021 |
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| • Leadership Academy at Warner Park | Warner Park - camp | Summer 2021 |
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VII. CONSENT AGENDA

01-21-02

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS TO
ACCEPT 2021 STAFFING GRANT BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021**

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved request of Friends of Warner Parks to accept 2021 staffing grant in the amount of \$59,183.72 beginning January 1, 2021

Naturalist I – Rebecca Dandekar	\$ 17,049.22
Naturalist I – Elizabeth Krogman	\$ 17,049.22
Naturalist I – Will Chamberlain	\$ 17,049.22
Seasonal Worker IV (PEN Pal 1)	\$ 3,068.03
Seasonal Worker IV (PEN Pal 2)	\$ 3,068.03
Copier – Ricoh	\$ 1,900.00
TOTAL	\$ 59,183.72

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

01-21-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST TO ACCEPT DONATION OF TENNESSEE WALKING
HORSE FOR METRO PARKS MOUNTED POLICE PATROL**

Correspondence received from Mr. Rob Bramblett requesting the board to accept a Tennessee Walking horse appraised at \$20,000.00 to be used by the mounted patrol of the Metro Parks Police was presented for approval.

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the board accepted a Tennessee Walking horse appraised at \$20,000.00 to be used by the mounted patrol of the Metro Parks Police. Please note that there is no match or other obligation from Metro Parks and or the Metropolitan Government related to this donation.

01-21-04

**BOARD ACCEPTS DONATION UP TO \$100,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF THE
TENNIS COURTS AT ELMINGTON PARK**

Correspondence received from Ms. Gretchen Pritchett, President of the Nashville Parks Foundation, requesting the board to accept a donation not to exceed \$100,000 for improvements to the tennis courts in Elmginton Park was presented for approval.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

01-21-04 (con't)

**BOARD ACCEPTS DONATION UP TO \$100,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF TENNIS
COURTS AT ELMINGTON PARK**

Upon motion of Ms. Hughes, and seconded by Mr. Anderson, the board accepted a donation not to exceed \$100,000 for improvements to the tennis courts in Elmington Park. Please note that there is no match or other obligation from Metro Parks and or the Metropolitan Government related to this donation.

01-21-05

**BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT VALUED AT \$1500 FOR DESIGN SERVICES
AT SHELBY GOLF COURSE**

Correspondence received from Ms. Katey Burris, President of the Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms, requesting the board to accept an in-kind grant valued at an estimated \$1,500 for golf design services at Shelby Golf Course was presented for approval.

Upon motion of Dr. Gentry, and seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board accepted an in-kind grant valued at an estimated \$1,500 for golf design services at Shelby Golf Course. Please note that there is no match or other obligation from Metro Parks and or the Metropolitan Government related to this grant.

IX. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – Tim Netsch

Aattifama Archeological – Phase One

Design complete
In the queue for construction bidding

Centennial – Children's Memory Garden

Design complete
In the queue for construction bidding

Centennial – Phase Two

Great Lawn complete and open
Construction underway in other areas
Complete: Spring 2021

Elmington Tennis Courts Refurb

In the queue for construction bidding

Fort Negley Master Plan

RFP proposals in review-funding frozen

Mill Ridge – Phase One

Design complete
Construction contract protested-Metro Procurement
working on resolution

Ravenwood – Phase One

Design complete
Construction contract protested-Metro
Procurement working on resolution

Watkins Park – Pump Track

Partnership with SORBA, Nashville Parks
Foundation & Oasis Bike Workshop
Construction Underway
Construction complete: Winter 2020/21

Wharf – Master Plan

Funding frozen

IX. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – Tim Netsch

Hadley – Pavilion

Construction contract executed
Construction funding frozen

COMPLETED IN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS

Antioch – community center renovation
Beaman – trails
Kossie Gardner, Sr. – new park*
Madison – tennis courts reconstruction*
Orchard Bend – swings and pavilion
Percy Warner-Allee restoration

*Completed in the last month

X. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – Jackie Jones

15-16: *Northern Lights Oil Painting Workshop*, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.,
Centennial Art Center & Bellevue Regional Community Center.

15-17: *Shelby Park Shootout Disc Golf Tournament*, 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.,
Shelby Park

XI. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Ms. Odom announced:

- The new year began well, and Parks is very busy.
- As Councilmember VanReece stated earlier, on Monday, January 11th at 4:00 pm Ms. Odom and other staff members will share stories and give unique insights and perspectives that only our employees can share to members of the Metro Parks, Library and Arts Committee of the Metro Council.
- Preliminary discussions regarding Parks upcoming budget are continuing. Director Odom has a conversation scheduled later this week with the Mayor's office and the Finance Department about FY2021 Capital Budget needs with the focus on critical needs, safety and high priority projects. Metro is still in a challenging financial position of uncertainty and Ms. Odom is appreciative of the City's leadership looking to departments to help inform the funding strategies based on needs of the department's priorities.
- Policy committee work review team comprised of Dr. Sharon Gentry, Mr. Jeff Haynes, legal advisor Macy Amos and Ms. Odom met last month and have settled on some possible revisions to the current naming policy for Metro Parks. Ms. Frazier will be coordinating a meeting of the full policy committee to review and discuss revisions. Please keep in mind that all Parks board members are members of the policy committee.
- Ms. Frazier is also coordinating a meeting of the board's finance committee and all Parks Board members are members of this committee as well. There is business to discuss on both committees, please make it a priority to attend if you can.

XI. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

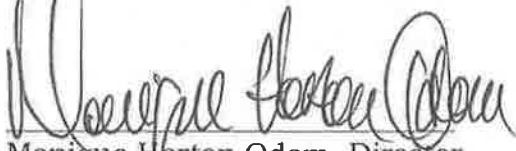
- Thank you to Park's staff for being supportive during another of Nashville's emergency events. The day of the Christmas bombing, the American Red Cross set up in East Regional Center to assist displaced victims/residents. Mr. William Manuel, Consolidated Maintenance Superintendent, was onsite Christmas Day and kept in close contact with Ms. Odom throughout the day. Ms. Odom also thanked John Holmes, Stevon Neloms, Darlene Morrow and others for their support in working with the Red Cross.

Dr. Steele thanked Parks employees for their service and offered her appreciation as well.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/ OPEN ITEMS

Ms. Odom reminded the board that Stan Fossick will be honored for his service to the board at an upcoming meeting. He was invited to attend the January meeting, but he was not available so we will work around his calendar.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Monique Horton Odom, Director


Dr. Michelle Steele, Chairperson

CERTIFICATION

I, Monique Horton Odom, duly appointed Director and Secretary to the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, hereby certify the foregoing true and exact copy of the minutes of the Board of Parks and Recreation for the January 5, 2021 meeting, said minutes having been approved on February 2, 2021.

WITNESS MY HAND this 13 day of January, 2022.


Monique Horton Odom









single to the Mayor & City Council of Nashville, for a certain parcel of land to be held in trust as and for a public park, free for the use and benefit of the people of Nashville, Tennessee, for park purposes to be said tract or parcel of land being the tract in the South East District of Davidson County, Tennessee, known as the Centennial Park, the said property when conveyed to the people of Nashville, Tennessee, and in the event said parcel of land could not be obtained for one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, the Nashville, Tennessee, to pay to the Mayor & City Council of Nashville one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, which would be requested by said City in the purchase of another parcel of land, situated on the present line of said street railway, to be held upon the same trust and, between the Centennial Park Land Company and the Nashville, Tennessee, to sell and convey to the Mayor & City Council of Nashville said Centennial Park property, being the more fully described, at and for the price of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, paid by the Nashville, Tennessee, and thereon, in and by said Centennial Park Land Company, entered in approval on said land, it was stipulated and agreed by the Mayor & City Council of Nashville, that it would convey to hold said land, when conveyed, in trust as and for a public park, free for the use and benefit of the people of the City of Nashville, for park purposes only; and that said conveyance should be attached to and run with said land, from therefore, in consideration of the premises, and of the consideration of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) cash, this day paid to the Centennial Park Land Company by the Nashville, Tennessee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the said Centennial Park Land Company, on this day bargained and sold, and does hereby grant, sell and convey unto the Mayor & City Council of Nashville, the following described real estate, situated in the South East District of Davidson County, Tennessee, to wit: the tract of land, begins at a stake at the North boundary of a fifty (50) foot avenue and twenty (20) feet boulevard, from a stone, the corner of original lot numbers 37 and 38, 44 and 45 of David Lockhart's tract, and running thence North thirty-eight (38) degrees east fourteen hundred and sixty-four (1464) feet to a stake in the Eastern margin of the old Hyde & Barry dead, thence with the Eastern margin of said, and North two degrees and five minutes (2° 05') West four hundred and sixty-three (463) feet to a stake, R. H. Adams' South

East corner; thence with said Adams' South line North fifty-two (52) and three fourths degrees (52° 3/4) West twelve hundred thirty-five and one-half (1235 1/2) feet to a stake in the corner of a fifty (50) foot street, thence with the corner of said street North thirty-seven degrees and fifty-five minutes (37° 55') East seven hundred and six and three fourths (766 3/4) feet to a stone, Elliston's Northeast corner; thence with the center of said fifty (50) foot street continued South thirty-seven degrees and twenty-five minutes (37° 25') East twelve hundred and eighty-three (1283) feet to a stake at the center of a fifty (50) foot street running parallel with the heading line of said street, thence with the center of said street South forty-one degrees and fifty-five minutes (41° 55') West five hundred and sixteen feet to the Eastern margin of a fifty (50) foot street, running between lots nos. 48 and 49, of said Hyde & Barry, thence with the Eastern margin of said street North thirty-eight (38) degrees West two hundred and forty-one (241) feet to a stake in the North margin of a fifty (50) foot street, thence with the North margin of said street fifty-two (52) and three fourths degrees (52° 3/4) West four hundred and sixteen (416) feet to the beginning, containing sixty-one and 2/3 (61 2/3) acres, including one-half of the following fifty (50) foot street, to wit: on the West side of the Hyde & Barry dead Southwardly to the Southwest corner, the point where of Elliston's line Northwestly five hundred and sixteen (516) feet on the West side, along Elliston's line, along the above described land in the same set apart to James M. Hamilton, et al, by partition between R. H. Adams et al, as recorded in Book 11, page 584, 585 and 586, legislative Office of Davidson County, Tennessee, to the second tract, is in the South East District of Davidson County, Tennessee, and is described as follows: formerly owned by the Tennessee Agricultural and Mechanical Association and also the common corner of lots nos. 17, 18 and 19, of David Lockhart's tract, running thence with the center of a fifty (50) foot street North eighty-nine degrees and twenty-five minutes (89° 25') West eight hundred and forty-five (845) feet to a stake thirty (30) feet from the center of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, thence parallel to said railway forty degrees and twenty-seven minutes (40° 27') West one hundred and ninety-one (191) feet to a stake in the Eastern boundary of the old Hyde & Barry dead, thence from the Eastern boundary of said dead, South two degrees and five minutes (2° 05') East six hundred and seventy (670) feet to a stake; thence North fifty-two (52) and three fourths degrees (52° 3/4) East twelve hundred thirty-five and one-half (1235 1/2) feet to a stake at the center of a fifty (50) foot street, thence with the center of said street North thirty-

degrees, and forty-five acres (71.55), East, seventy-five and seven tenths (75.7) acres, the beginning, containing 20.2 acres, including one half (1/2) of the stake on the North and East, but not including any of the Old Hydeaway land, said land being the same conveyed to R. G. Adams et al, by said deed of partition, and both of said tracts being the same described in the Trust Compact made by the party of the first part to Edgar Jones, Thomas Slater and W. A. Henson, which is recorded in the Register's Office of Davidson County, Tennessee, in Book 22, page 342, to which reference is made in here and is held to the Mayor & City Council of Nashville, Tennessee, for the use and benefit of the people of Nashville, Tennessee, for park purposes only, the Mayor & City Council of Nashville covenants and agrees that it will, and does, accept said premises as impliedly provided, in trust for the use and purposes mentioned, and that this commitment shall be and is hereby attached to and it shall be and is hereby made to run with said lands. And the said Centennial Park Land Company does hereby covenant with the said Mayor & City Council of Nashville that it is lawfully seized and possessed of said land, complete, whole, has a good right to convey it, and that the same is unincumbered, free of all other claims and debts, and itself and its successors, to warrant and forever defend the title to said land to the said Mayor & City Council of Nashville, its successors and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whosoever. Nashville, Tennessee, hereby warrants the title to said property against the lawful claims of all persons whosoever. In testimony whereof, the Centennial Park Land Company and the Nashville Railway have caused their several names to be hereunto signed by their respective Presidents, and attested by their respective Secretaries, and their several seals affixed, and the name of the Mayor & City Council of Nashville has been signed by its Mayor, and its seal affixed by its recording the day and date above stated.

Centennial Park Land Company,

By, Saml. J. Smith,

President.

Attest,

Johnson Thompson,

Secretary.

Centennial Railway

By, Percy Warner,

President.

Attest, E. D. Gutzman,

Secretary.

Centennial Railway Council of Nashville.

Attest,

By J. H. Hoad,

Mayor.

J. H. Hoad,

Recorder.

State of Tennessee, ss.

Davidson County, } Before me, W. D. Dicks, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, duly commissioned, qualified and acting as such, personally appeared J. H. Smith and J. H. Hoad, with whom I am personally acquainted, and who, upon oath, acknowledged themselves to be the President and Secretary, respectively, of the Centennial Park Land Company, the other would sign, in a corporate name, and that they, as such President and Secretary, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the corporation by J. H. Smith, as President, attested by Johnson Thompson, as Secretary, and by affixing the corporate seal of said corporation, thereto. Witness my hand and official seal, at office in Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee, this 22nd day of December, 1922.

W. D. Dicks,

State of Tennessee, ss.

Davidson County, } Before me, W. D. Dicks, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, duly commissioned, qualified and acting as such, personally appeared Percy Warner and E. D. Gutzman, with whom I am personally acquainted, and who, upon oath, acknowledged themselves to be the President and Secretary, respectively, of the Nashville Railway, the other would sign, in a corporate name, and that they, as such President and Secretary, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the corporation by Percy Warner, as President, attested by E. D. Gutzman, as Secretary, and by affixing the corporate seal of said corporation thereto. Witness my hand and official seal, at office in Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee, this 22nd day of December, 1922.

W. D. Dicks,

State of Tennessee, ss.

Davidson County, } Before me, W. D. Dicks, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, duly commissioned, qualified and acting as such, personally appeared James M. Hoad, and J. H. Hoad,

Parties that may have an interest in receiving notice of this petition are listed below.				
	Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
AmVets Nashville	110 9th Avenue South	Nashville	TN	37203
United Daughters of the Confederacy	328 N Arthur Ashe Boulevard	Richmond	VA	23220
Tennessee Division Sons of Confederate Veterans	P.O. Box 782	Lebanon	TN	37088

Public Notice: Petition to Remove the Private Confederate Soldier Monument from Centennial Park

March 1, 2022

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The Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson county will file a petition to remove the Private Confederate Soldier Monument from Centennial Park.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-1-412, intends to file a petition with the Tennessee Historical Commission seeking a waiver of T.C.A. § 4-1-412(b)(1) to allow for the removal of the Private Confederate Soldier Monument from Centennial Park.

On Tuesday, January 5, 2021, the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation for Nashville and Davidson County voted Unanimously to petition the state for the removal of the Private Confederate Soldier Monument that is located in Centennial Park at 2500 West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

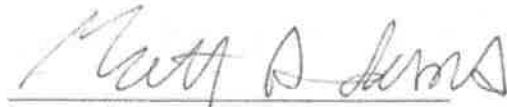
A copy of the petition and the report supporting the petition will be provided, at no cost, upon written request. Such requests may be submitted by email to metroparks@nashville.gov or mailed to the Metropolitan Department of Parks and Recreation, Post Office Box 196340, Nashville, TN 37219-6340.

Monique Horton Odom
Director of Parks and Recreation

CERTIFICATION

I, Matt Adams, Department of Information Technology Services of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, hereby certify the foregoing true and exact copy of the Public Notice posted on the Nashville.gov website, said Public Notice having been posted to the website on March 1, 2022 through April 1, 2022.

WITNESS MY HAND this 5th day of April, 2022.


Matt Adams

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Sales Assistant for the above mentioned newspaper,

hereby certify that the attached advertisement appeared in said newspaper on the following dates:

03/13/22

Jackie Cooper

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13 day of Mar 2022

Charly Neel

Notary Public



Affidavits Requested:

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Re: removal of the Private Confederate Soldier Monument

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Announcements

2008 Mitsubishi Lancer, 2014 Ford Fusion, 2013 Dodge Durango, Vehicle Auction, 2008 Mitsubishi Lancer VIN: JA3AW86VX8U048497, 2014 Ford Fusion VIN: 3FA6P0H78ER246427, 2013 Dodge Durango 1CAR0HAG9DC667126. Location is 2415 Clarksville Pike, Nashville TN 37208 at Noon 3/30/2022.

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Director of Parks and Recreation

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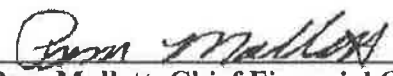
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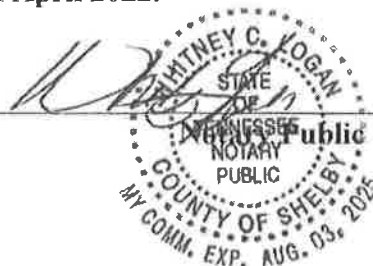
By:


Pam Mallett, Chief Financial Officer

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On this 8th day of April 2022, the individual above appeared before me, personally known (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence), who, being by me duly sworn did say that she is an authorized agent of the corporation or association of The Westview Newspaper, LLC, that the instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of the corporation (or association), by authority of its Board of Directors and Pam Mallett acknowledged the instrument to be the free act and deed of the corporation (or association) and that the corporation has no corporate seal.

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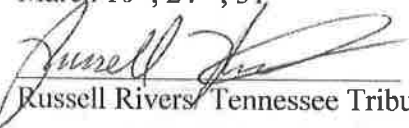
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Affidavit of Publication
State of Tennessee
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Date of Publication:

March 10th, 24th, 31st


Russell Rivers Tennessee Tribune

This 10th day of March 2022 Subscribed and sworn before me, Wanda Miller Sawyers


Notary Signature

T.C.A 4-1-412

Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation



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180 Interstate North Parkway Suite 200
Atlanta, GA 30339 (404) 252-6385
THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. FC21-055 Publication Dates: March 3, 10, 17, 2022.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
North Carolina; Orange County
In the General Court of Justice
District Court Division 21-CVD-971
Ingris Fabiana Briones Ramirez,
Plaintiff v. Paulino Samael Mejia Ortiz,
Defendant
To: Paulino Samael Mejia Ortiz
Take notice that a summons and complaint seeking permanent legal and physical custody of your daughters, Briana Abigail Mejia Briones and Kimberly Michelle Mejia Briones has been filed in the above action. The same complaint also seeks relief in the form of a declaratory judgment. You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than 19th day of April, 2022 which is 40 days from the first publication of this notice. Upon your failure to file a pleading by the above date, the Plaintiff-party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. Your participation in these proceedings is critical because these proceedings can result in you being determined to be an unfit father and your rights to have custody and visitation of your daughters can be permanently lost, subject to modifica-

tion only upon a showing of a substantial change of circumstances. This the 10th day of March, 2022. Publish dates March 10, 17, 24, 2022

BNA SATELLITE CONCESSIONS INDUSTRY DAY

The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority will be hosting a Concessions Industry Briefing on Friday, April 1, 2022, beginning at 10am for parties interested in learning about upcoming concession opportunities. This event will be held in conjunction with the Authority's annual Business Taking Off event which showcases the upcoming business opportunities for that year. The purpose of this briefing is to provide context and background on specific concession opportunities, as well as network with potential partners. The location will be the Renaissance Hotel, 611 Commerce Street, Nashville, TN 37203. We look forward to your attendance. You may register for this event at MNAA Business Taking Off 2022 (constantcontact.com) If you have any questions, please reach out to Nena Bowling, Manager of Procurement at nena.bowling@flynashville.com Publish March 10, 2022

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