

NOTICE AND AGENDA

OPEN SPACE COMMISSION
MONDAY
JUNE 23, 2025

HYBRID MEETING
FLAGSTAFF AQUAPLEX
AND [MICROSOFT TEAMS](#)
1702 N FOURTH STREET
4:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**

NOTE: One or more Commissioners may be in attendance through other technological means.

Chair Jacqueline Thomas	Commissioner Molly Joyce
Co-Chair Bruce Fox	Commissioner Lina Wallen
Commissioner Mary Norton (P&Z Liaison)	Commissioner Nat White
Commissioner William Kluwin	Councilmember Representative: David Spence

3. **Land Acknowledgment**

The Flagstaff Open Space Commission humbly acknowledges the ancestral homelands of this area's Indigenous nations and original stewards. These lands, still inhabited by Native descendants, border mountains sacred to Indigenous peoples. We honor them, their legacies, their traditions, and their continued contributions. We celebrate their past, present, and future generations who will forever know this place as home.

4. **Approval of May 12, 2025 Minutes.**

5. **Public Comment**

At this time, any member of the public may address the Commission on any subject that is not scheduled before the Commission on this day. The Arizona Open Meeting Law prohibits the Commission from discussing or taking action on an item which is not listed on the prepared agenda. Commission members may, however, respond to criticism made by those addressing the Commission, ask staff to review a matter, or ask that a matter be placed on a future agenda. To address the Commission on an item that is on the agenda, please wait for the Chair to call for Public Comment at the time the item is heard.

6. **Business Items**

- A. **Update on July 4th Drone Show Information Item.**
The Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Events (PROSE) Division will share with the Open Spaces Commission the upcoming 4th of July events planned for Flagstaff.
- B. **Observatory Mesa Natural Area Renaming Consideration**
Discussion Item. Open Spaces Commissioners will share information and thoughts on the pros/cons of renaming the Observatory Mesa Natural Area. This is a potential decision item. The Open Spaces Commission can elect to make a recommendation during this meeting or postpone a decision to a later meeting.
- C. **Open Spaces Commission Accomplishments & Priorities**
Information and Discussion Item. Staff will provide an update to the Open Spaces Commission on their accomplishments and work with the Commission to plan, set future priorities, and determine agenda items.

7. **Reports and Updates**

- A. Council Representative Report, Council Representative David Spence
 - B. Planning and Zoning Commission Representative Report, Representative Mary Norton
 - C. Open Space Management Report, Robert Wallace and Sylvia Struss
 - D. PROSE Monthly Newsletter
- 8. Informational Items To and From Commissioners and Staff
 - 9. Potential Future Agenda Items
 - 10. Adjournment

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on June 18, 2025, at 1 p.m. This notice has been posted on the City's website and can be downloaded at www.flagstaff.az.gov.

Dated this 18th day of June, 2025.

Lori Reynolds

Lori Reynolds, Administrative Specialist

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact Lori Reynolds (lori.reynolds@flagstaffaz.gov) at least two business days prior to the scheduled meeting time to enable the City to make reasonable arrangements.



Open Space Commission

4.

From: Lori Reynolds, PROSE Admin Specialist

DATE: 06/23/2025

SUBJECT: Approval of May 12, 2025 Minutes.

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Executive Summary:

Attachments

Approval of May 12, 2025 Minutes

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MINUTES

OPEN SPACE COMMISSION
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MAY 12, 2025

HYBRID MEETING
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AND [MICROSOFT TEAMS](#)
1702 N FOURTH STREET
4:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Co-Chair Bruce Fox called the May 12, 2025 Open Spaces Commission meeting to order at 4:03 pm.

2. Roll Call

NOTE: One or more Commissioners may be in attendance through other technological means.

Chair Jacqueline Thomas

Co-Chair Bruce Fox

Commissioner Mary Norton (P&Z Liaison)

Commissioner William Kluwin

Commissioner Molly Joyce

Commissioner Lina Wallen

Commissioner Nat White

Councilmember Representative: David Spence

Others present: Ashlee Fliney, Martin Ince, Lori Reynolds, Sylvia Struss, and Robert Wallace

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4. Approval of April 28, 2025 Minutes

Commissioner Wallen motioned to approve the April 28, 2025 minutes. Commissioner Thomas seconded and all voted in favor.

5. Public Comment

Co-Chair Fox called for public comment on any items not on the agenda. There were no comments or requests.

6. Business Items

A. Open Space Education Program Update

Ashlee Fliney, Open Space Education Coordinator, provided an information update on Open Space programming for the 2024-2025 school year and future objectives. Ms. Fliney began by giving a brief background on her personal work experience in the area of outdoor leadership and STEM, then she began her PowerPoint presentation on education programs for the Open Spaces program.

The presentation highlighted how their education program has served over 2800 individuals, including over 1500 youths, in the 2024-2025 school year. Programming included 50 field trips, 40 of which were to Flagstaff Open Spaces, 10 classroom visits, staffing 12 educational booths at various community-specific events, and leading 17 guided hikes for participants of all ages. Those school-based programs focused on underserved kids within the Flagstaff community to give them a hands-on experience visiting Open Space lands in Flagstaff. Ms. Fliney also noted that visiting school programs from outside of Flagstaff were interested in incorporating Flagstaff's Open Spaces into their curriculum. She expanded on the importance of Open Spaces staff and volunteers showing up

at community events, helping the program's visibility in the community, and sharing with community members what is available and free to them.

Looking ahead to future plans for Open Spaces, Ms. Fliney informed the commission that she would be assisting with various summer camps and youth programming in Northern Arizona and would be preparing lessons for the 2025-2026 school year for local schools. Those lesson plans and educational resources can be found at www.necna.org. Ms. Fliney completed her presentation by sharing why outdoor education in Flagstaff's open spaces was so critical. Aside from the importance of collaborative opportunities that outdoor education programs provide for the local community and school-age children, Ms. Fliney emphasized that the programs and outreach efforts that Open Spaces provides can be inspiring to community members and possibly provide a positive impact on them that they will feel ownership of the land and seek to become stewards or even pursue an education or career based in STEM.

Commissioner Fox asked if there were any demographics or statistics on the participants in Open Space programming. Ms. Fliney replied that he could reference the demographics of the various schools participating in outdoor education programming with the Open Space team.

Commissioner Fox followed up with a comment on partnerships, sharing that Camp Colton and Diablo Trust could make for good partners, and he suggested how exercises in mindfulness could be something that was integrated into Open Space programming. Mr. Fox concluded his comments by asking what the Commission could do to help Open Spaces, to which Ms. Fliney directed the question to Robert Wallace and Sylvia Struss. Ms. Struss answered that Open Spaces could use additional volunteers to help manage the larger groups of kids on field trips.

Commissioner Molly Joyce asked if they were using any kind of community volunteer database to reach people. Ms. Fliney responded that they do have a calendar available via the city website at: <https://volunteer.flagstaffaz.gov/Calendar>.

Councilmember David Spence mentioned that Camp Colton aspires to get all Flagstaff sixth graders to their camp, and inquired if Open Spaces had a similar goal. Ms. Fliney responded that Open Spaces did have a similar goal, where they were focused on developing and implementing programming for third, seventh, and tenth-graders.

Commissioner Nat White commented that the most important thing is creating pride and ownership in the open spaces. Emphasizing that open spaces are not just something that people can use, but need to be appreciated and protected as Flagstaff grows.

Commissioner Molly Joyce asked about funding for programs and supplies and wanted to know if there was anything else that could be done to support programming. Robert Wallace responded that Ms. Fliney's position is only funded for two years via the Heritage Fund grant, and they were at capacity for reapplying. Prior to utilizing that fund, Ms. Fliney's position had been volunteer-based through Serve America (AmeriCorps), but they had also hit capacity with how many times they could apply to that program. Currently, Ms. Fliney's position is funded through August 2026, and staff are in the process of looking to secure future funding.

Commissioner Mary Norton asked if they had reached out to any of the local charter schools to which Ms. Fliney replied that their current focus has been on underprivileged schools first. Reaching charter schools would come afterwards.

B. Flagstaff Urban Trail System Update

Transportation Planner Senior Lead, Martin Ince provided a presentation on the Flagstaff Urban Trail System (FUTS).

Mr. Ince began his presentation by providing context on his line of work for the city, how he takes care of things related to walking and biking, including the FUTS trail. He likes being able to attend the Open Spaces commission meeting because there is a close relationship between FUTS and Open Spaces. In his presentation, Mr. Ince shared background information on FUTS development

and how it intermingles with the City of Flagstaff and Open Spaces. He explained that the trail offered users varying experiences, ranging from busy city streets to quiet woods, providing a community connection from natural areas to metro areas. Transportation and recreation are what make FUTS successful. Mr. Ince further noted that of the current 59 miles of existing trail, there are upwards of 75 additional planned miles to be constructed or improved upon in the future.

During his presentation, an image of the proposed regional FUTS plan map was displayed. There were several additional questions from commissioners surrounding what was on the map. Commissioner Mary Norton asked for confirmation that the map being shown was the most current proposed map. Mr. Ince confirmed that the map being shown was current. Commissioner Nat White commented that the east side of the map lacked urban trails and questioned why that was. Mr. Ince responded that the east side area, Country Club, pre-dates FUTS trail development. Commissioner Molly Joyce also noted the lack of FUTS trails in the densely populated Linda Vista area. Mr. Ince replied that Sunnyside, just south of Linda Vista, also lacked FUTS trails, but that Sunnyside had connector trail options leading from McMillian Mesa. He added that because there was no FUTS trail system through those neighborhoods, they could work on strengthening the sidewalks and walkways.

Continuing with his presentation, Mr. Ince spoke about how they are introducing more separation for bike lanes from vehicular traffic, and that even with bikeways along city roads that there was still use and need for the FUTS trail system. This information answered an earlier comment from Commissioner Nat White, who worried that FUTS may become too transportation-leaning and less geared towards recreational use.

Commissioner Molly Joyce brought up the integration of East Butler Avenue and the Little America hotel area, explaining that for modern bike routes, that area was not biker-friendly. Mr. Ince responded that central Butler Avenue would be redone, but that some areas were missing a bike lane, and parts of Butler intersect with the I-40 interchange, making it especially difficult to build a buffer between bikes and traffic.

Commissioner William Kluwin asked Mr. Ince who paid for FUTS maintenance. He replied that Flagstaff's PROSE and the BBB tax help provide funding that is earmarked specifically to support FUTS maintenance. Mr. Ince added that it is more expensive to build FUTS trails now than in previous years. He shared that Flagstaff's Regional Plans have always included a map that depicted FUTS trails. This is the source of the staff's ability to get FUTS implemented.

Commissioner Mary Norton directed her question to Robert Wallace, asking if the Regional Plan map was consistent with the Open Space map and plan. Mr. Wallace responded that the regional map relied on the transportation plan but that Open Spaces was looking into creating a master plan that would be more specific and reflect both FUTS and Open Spaces. Mr. Ince added that they are also seeking to add greenways along the trail in urban areas to provide a better experience for FUTS users.

Commissioner Norton commented again on the map that FUTS was largely left to the outer limits of the city, and that not as much of the trail system connected through the middle; little delineation going through the larger parcels of land. Commissioner Molly Joyce noted that accessibility and equal access to the FUTS trail could also impact sustainability plans. Mr. Ince replied that some FUTS trails are contingent on neighborhoods completing development. He also discussed the importance of planning in a manner that requires considering detention basins, drainages, and utility easements, for trails or open space that could benefit the neighborhood.

Completing his presentation, Mr. Ince shared that they were seeking to protect access points from city lands to the surrounding forest in present and future neighborhoods, and even communities beyond Flagstaff's city limits, such as Bellemont and Doney Park.

Commissioner Chair Jaqueline Thomas asked Mr. Ince how the commission could help FUTS. Mr. Ince responded that it began with Robert (Wallace) and Sylvia (Struss); getting Open Spaces and the Transportation division working together, planning and sharing information. Mr. Wallace added that he plans to include Mr. Ince in the Open Space master plan development.

7. Reports and Updates

A. Council Representative Report, Council Representative David Spence

Councilmember Spence informed the commission that he was getting a better understanding of what Open Space does. He shared that he provided the city council with an update on the Don Weaver trail alignment and on the Observatory Mesa Trail Plan, letting the commission know that the council would be considering the commission's recommendations at the upcoming meeting on May 13, 2025. Mr. Spence's final item to share was his sighting of an albino mule deer on McMillan Mesa.

B. Planning and Zoning Commission Representative Report, Representative Mary Norton

Commissioner Mary Norton shared that things had been very busy lately. The next planning and zoning meeting will be next Wednesday (May 21, 2025). She shared that the regional plan, Chapter 8 was undergoing major rewrites, removing duplications found in goals and policies. She noted that there was a lot of shifting of things that the Open Spaces commission had previously read and commented on. The commission should receive an opportunity to review it again, but the opportunity may not look the same as before. Ms. Norton suggested that if commissioners wish to provide additional comments on the plan, they do so as individuals, especially on the FUTS maps and trail delineations sections, keeping in mind that Open Space does not have a master plan completed yet. Commissioner Norton also shared with the commission concerns on the JW Powell corridor being identified as a suburban center, including mixed use. She noted that the Open Spaces commission could be losing influence as the regional plan gets closer to being approved. Ms. Norton concluded her report by reiterating that the Open Spaces Commission review the regional plan again when it is released. Robert Wallace added that the JW Powell open space corridor (Hoffman Tank Corridor), from the I-40 wetlands to the Flagstaff loop trail nearby Fisher Point is a top priority for Open Space. He added that staff are working to determine if they can purchase property or an easement with remaining 2004 bond funds.

C. Open Space Management Report, Robert Wallace and Sylvia Struss

Open Space staff did not have any further information to share other than referencing Flagstaff's volunteer website (<https://volunteer.flagstaffaz.gov/>) and informing the commission that the newest PROSE monthly newsletter has been released.

D. PROSE Monthly Newsletter

8. Informational Items To and From Commissioners and Staff

Commissioner Fox asked for clarity on the date for the next Open Spaces commission meeting. Robert Wallace confirmed that the commission would be returning to a meeting date of the fourth Monday of each month, the next meeting being on June 23, 2025.

9. Potential Future Agenda Items

Robert Wallace added the review of the future regional plan to the agenda in preparation for the August meeting. Commissioner Fox requested that an update on the Hidden Hollow Access be given at the Commission's next meeting.

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Fox motioned to adjourn. The meeting ended at 6:10 PM.



Open Space Commission

6. A.

Co-Submitter: Rebecca Sayers, Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Events Director

From: Robert Wallace, Open Space Supervisor

DATE: 06/23/2025

SUBJECT: Update on July 4th Drone Show

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Information Item.

The Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Events (PROSE) Division will share with the Open Spaces Commission the upcoming 4th of July events planned for Flagstaff.

Executive Summary:

Each 4th of July holiday, the PROSE and EV divisions get together to help plan an event for the community for Independence Day. In the past, a fireworks show was offered during the festivities, but due to the increasing awareness of fire safety in our community, we have been steered away from them. Therefore, we have experienced offering other options, such as a laser light show, which has been well-received, and now we are moving onto a new option of a drone show.

So, what is a drone show? Drone shows are aerial displays that show brilliant LED lights that create different shapes, patterns, and scenes in the night sky. These shows can last for several minutes, the same amount of time as fireworks or even longer. Drone shows have become incredibly popular in cities like Salt Lake, Boulder and Lake Tahoe. The reason being, the impact that pyrotechnics can have on an environment is great and the worry of a forest fire starting is imminent.

Through the FY23-24 budget process, leadership identified a transfer of funds from Tourism to PROSE for a Fourth of July special drone show. Over the winter months, PROSE performed a formal procurement process through a Request for Proposals (RFP) with the result being an award to Open Sky Productions, LLC. PROSE brought forward an agenda item which was approved unanimously on March 18th, 2025. The selected vendor has extensive experience in producing drone shows of all sizes, including in Arizona; however, this will be the first drone show in the Flagstaff community.

The identified launch location is Coconino High School with the drone display hovering over the McMillan Mesa Natural Area, which creates a large viewing area for the community in general, plus amazing aspects for the Sunnyside Neighborhood. As previously discussed, the duration of the drone show will be 23-minutes in length with synchronized music that can be heard from a car radio, for example. The special event will be planned under a collaborative group that discusses, plans, and executes the larger events in the community from an Incident Action Plan (IAP) lens, bringing together many aspects that make up event production.

Discover Flagstaff will also be promoting the drone show along with other community events, like the 2025 Greater Chamber of Commerce Independence Day Parade and their Downtown Mile run, A Flag Fourth - Flagstaff Symphony free concert, and Art in the Park. Staff have media buys with the Arizona Daily Sun, KAFF radio, Flagstaff Business News, all social media platforms, and our e-newsletter Flagstaff Local - My Actions Matter. For visitors, we use a combination of owned, earned, and paid media to get the message out.



Open Space Commission

6. B.

Co-Submitter: Rebecca Sayers, Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Events Director

From: Robert Wallace, Open Space Supervisor

DATE: 06/23/2025

SUBJECT: Observatory Mesa Natural Area Renaming Consideration

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Discussion Item. Open Spaces Commissioners will share information and thoughts on the pros/cons of renaming the Observatory Mesa Natural Area. This is a potential decision item. The Open Spaces Commission can elect to make a recommendation during this meeting or postpone a decision to a later meeting.

Executive Summary:

The Open Spaces Commission is considering a formal name change for the Observatory Mesa Natural Area to better reflect its conservation status and ensure consistency within City code and public communications. The discussion will weigh the pros and cons of renaming the site, including the need to update signage, websites, and internal documents such as management plans. Notably, Observatory Mesa is one of only two City-owned open space parcels acquired from the State with a conservation easement, the other being Picture Canyon Natural and Cultural Preserve. Given their similar acquisition history and legal protections, renaming the site to Observatory Mesa Natural Preserve would align with the naming convention used for Picture Canyon and more accurately represent its preserved status.



Open Space Commission

6. C.

Co-Submitter: Rebecca Sayers, Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Events Director

From: Robert Wallace, Open Space Supervisor

DATE: 06/23/2025

SUBJECT: Open Spaces Commission Accomplishments & Priorities

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Information and Discussion Item. Staff will provide an update to the Open Spaces Commission on their accomplishments and work with the Commission to plan, set future priorities, and determine agenda items.

Executive Summary:

This item is presented for information and discussion. Staff will provide the Open Spaces Commission with an overview of recent accomplishments and seek input to help shape upcoming priorities and agenda planning. Highlights include progress on the Observatory Mesa right-of-way amendment, Don Weaver Trail alignment, the GOMA Trail Plan, grant progress, and other project updates.

Looking ahead, the Commission will be asked to provide input on their future work plan and agenda items, including reviewing the upcoming Regional Plan draft, providing input on Open Space code revisions, supporting the PROSE master plan, and potentially other items.



Open Space Commission

7. D.

From: Lori Reynolds, PROSE Admin Specialist

DATE: 06/23/2025

SUBJECT: PROSE Monthly Newsletter

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Executive Summary:

Attachments

May 2025 Newsletter



PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND EVENTS

MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER

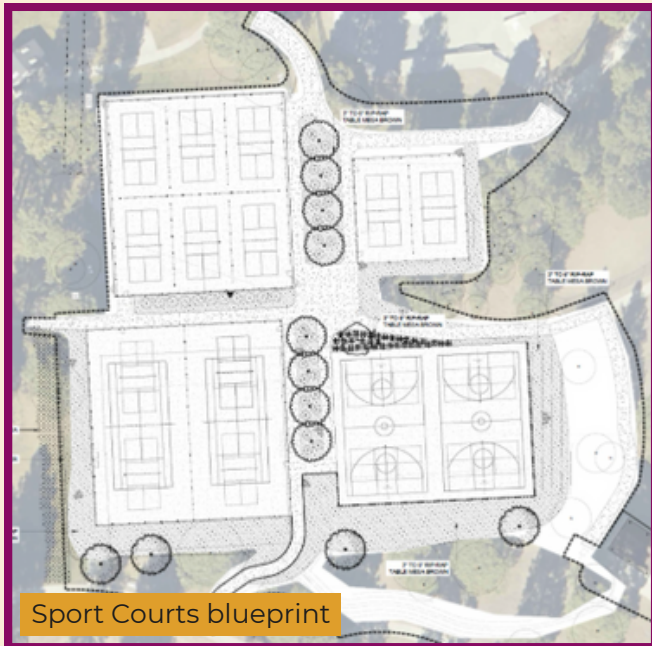
*Connecting our community through people, parks,
natural areas, and programs.*



Bushmaster Park

Bushmaster Sport Courts Project Underway

The Bushmaster Park Sport Courts project is officially in motion. Approved by City Council on May 6th, the contract was awarded to Hope Construction, with work beginning on May 7. The



Sport Courts blueprint

project includes the full reconstruction of two tennis courts, two basketball courts, and eight pickleball courts along with sitework and landscaping enhancements. The existing sport courts will be closed during the duration of the construction improvement project. The construction site within the park now has fencing and clear identifiers of the work zone. Funded by the BBB-Recreation special revenue fund, construction is expected to be substantially complete by November 2025.

Sport Courts at Bushmaster Park

Click here to follow project progress.

<https://connect.flagstaffaz.gov/bushmaster-courts>



New playground at Smokerise Park



PARKS

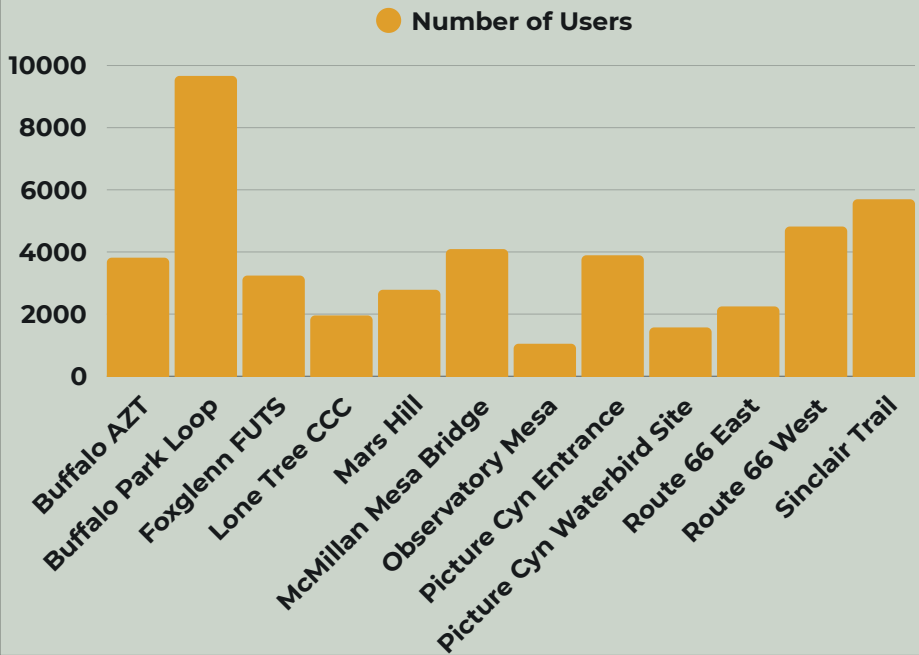
Playground Replacements

Parks recently completed the replacement of two aging playground structures at Mobile Haven and Smokerise Park. The new structures, designed for children ages two to five, feature accessible elements and are thoughtfully designed to compliment the larger playgrounds already in place at each location.



TWA Memorial Site

April 2025 Trail Counts



TWA Memorial Improvements

Parks completed improvements to the TWA memorial at Citizen's Cemetery, which honors the passengers and crew who lost their lives in the June 30, 1956, midair collision. Enhancements included replacing sod with artificial turf, removing and thinning overgrown landscaping, repairing and replacing concrete sidewalk sections, and refurbishing the surrounding border wall and stanchions. The memorial, maintained in perpetuity by Parks, was restored in partnership with the Patrons of the 1956 Grand Canyon Midair Collision.

RECREATION

Annual Cleaning & Maintenance at Jay Lively Activity Center and the Aquaplex

The annual maintenance closures at the Aquaplex and Jay Lively Activity Center provided the opportunity for extensive improvements and deep cleaning. At the Aquaplex, the pool was drained, cleaned, and refilled. The pool deck, gym floor, offices, and party room were thoroughly cleaned, with select areas receiving fresh coats of paint. The gym floor was refinished, and the main hallway carpets were professionally cleaned. Audio and visual equipment in the Community Rooms was also upgraded.



At Jay Lively, the floor was replaced throughout the entire facility, including the lobby, party room, pro shop, bathrooms, Zamboni room, back hallways, and locker rooms. Deep cleaning and dasher board maintenance also took place to improve the overall condition of the facility.

Summer Sports Camp

Recreation staff are preparing for Summer Sports camp at Hal Jensen Recreation Center. Participants will learn the basics of a wide variety of games while developing teamwork, confidence, and new skills. Camp will be Monday, June 23rd to Friday 27th from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM. This camp is designed for youth grades 4th - 8th. Registration is \$150. Space is limited so register online today!

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF RECREATION

SUMMER SPORTS CAMP

June 23 - 27

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF PROSE
PARKS, RECREATION,
OPEN SPACE & EVENTS

\$150
Registration

YOUTH GRADES
4th - 8th

8:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Hal Jensen Recreation Center

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE
928-213-2346



New plaque at
McMillan Mesa

OPEN SPACE

McMillan Mesa Plaque Recognizes Community Efforts

Open Space is proud to announce the installation of a commemorative plaque honoring the community effort that led to the protection of the McMillan Mesa Natural Area. This area was preserved as Open Space thanks to the dedication of a committee of Flagstaff residents who successfully placed a measure on the November 2016 ballot—an initiative that passed with overwhelming support, receiving 86% of the vote. The City of Flagstaff recognizes the importance of commemorating this community effort and acknowledges the tremendous collective public effort that preserved the McMillan Mesa Natural Area. We invite the public to visit this meaningful tribute, located on the east side of the Cedar Avenue Bridge at the intersection of Cedar Trail and the Arizona Trail.



Volunteers from the
campsite clean-up

Illegal Campsite Clean-Ups on McMillan Mesa

Several NAU student groups helped clean up abandoned campsites on the McMillan Mesa, following reports from an Open Space Steward and a local resident. Notices were posted in advance, and outreach was made to individuals at active sites.



Abandoned campsite before



Abandoned campsite after

Open Space staff and PROSE Park Ranger Thomas McKenna also identified and cleared additional sites and trash along the Sego Lily Trail, near a recent hillside fire above N. Isabel Street.

Education & Field Trips

Students from Summit High School wrapped up a water systems unit with a field trip to Picture Canyon, where they tested water quality and measured the flow of the Rio de Flag—building on a prior visit to the Wildcat Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The Open Space Education team partnered with Willow Bend to deliver a three-day in-class program for Mount Elden Middle School 6th graders. Students explored Picture Canyon's cultural history, wildlife, and plant life through nature journaling, investigative tools, and outdoor exploration near their school.



Student
learning about
petroglyphs

EVENTS, MARKETING & ATHLETICS

Concerts in the Park 2025

The 2025 Concerts in the Park line-up is here, and staff are excited to bring a diverse mix of live music to a variety of City and County parks every Wednesday throughout June and July. These free, family-friendly events feature performances from local and regional bands, along with food from McGregor's Wandering Wiener Wagon, sweet treats from Archuleta Ice Cream, and book browsing courtesy of the PALS Mobile Library.

For the full schedule and event details, click the flyer or visit: flagstaff.az.gov/5120/Concerts-in-the-Park-2025

Cleo Murdoch Park Grand Opening - June 11th



The Murdoch Center sign at Cleo Murdoch Park

The grand opening of Cleo Murdoch Park (203 E Brannen Ave) takes place on **Wednesday, June 11 at 4:30 PM**. All are welcome to celebrate this exciting new addition to the community and stay afterward to enjoy live music by Dub and Down with the Blues as part of Concerts in the Park.

Athletics

The Athletics team has been hard at work! May kicked off our tournament season with four athletic tournaments being hosted throughout the month including girls' softball, soccer, baseball and senior softball.



Monday night Softball at Thorpe

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

CONCERTS

IN THE PARK

2025

Tommy Dukes Blues Band
Jim Cullen Memorial Park

Big Daddy D & the Dynamites
McMillan Mesa Park

Dub & Down with the Blues
Cleo Murdoch Park

Sleep Stampede
Cheshire Park

Wild World Irish Fiddle
Smokerise Park

Nolan McKelvey
Raymond County Park

Holly Kirsten
Peaks View County Park

The Carbonics
Mobile Haven Park

Optimal Delusion
Jim Cullen Memorial Park

Every Wednesday in June & July
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Summer Activities at Hal Jensen

Hal Jensen Recreation Center has something fun scheduled every day of the week. Stop by this summer for games, arts and crafts, or a cooking class! Click the image for more information.

HAL JENSEN RECREATION CENTER

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

June 2nd - August 4th

Our doors are open
Monday - Friday
10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Stop by for one of our planned activities, shoot some hoops, workout in our fitness room, or just hang out!

 Monday	 Tuesday	 Wednesday	 Thursday	 Friday
12:00 PM GROUP GAMES flag football whiffleball or kickball	2:00 PM ARTS & CRAFTS	12:00 PM GROUP GAMES flag football whiffleball or kickball	2:00 PM ARTS & CRAFTS	1:00 PM COOKING CLASS
2:00 PM ARTS & CRAFTS		2:00 PM ARTS & CRAFTS	3:00 PM GROUP GAMES flag football whiffleball or kickball	2:30 PM GROUP GAMES flag football whiffleball or kickball








All activities are **FREE!**


Questions?  (928) 213-2760

City of Flagstaff Open Space

WEDNESDAY WEED PULLS



 **Select Wednesday Mornings**
June - September
 **7:00 AM - 10:00 AM**
 **Picture Canyon**



Wednesday Weed Pulls at Picture Canyon

Help protect the natural beauty of Picture Canyon by joining our invasive weed removal and reseeding efforts. Click the image for more information.

Mountain Mash Up Hockey Tournament

Sign up for Jay Lively Activity Center's annual Mountain Mash up Hockey Tournament! Click the image to learn more sign up.



JAY LIVELY ACTIVITY CENTER

MOUNTAIN MASH UP

HOCKEY TOURNAMENT
JULY 18-20

\$150 PERPLAYER

Space is limited to first 48 skaters and 4 goalies

DRAFT EVENING OF JULY 18TH
Draft style tournament | Goalies draft teams | Unique jerseys included
12 players + goalie to each team | 4 games guaranteed
Meet new people and have fun!

Registration based on skill level (Ages 18+)
All skill levels welcome
Questions? (928) 213-2344
David.Carolus@flagstaffaz.gov

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FOLLOW US!



Touch a Truck!

Come out to Touch A Truck on **Saturday, July 12th** to explore cool vehicles and learn about what they do! Click the image for more information.



Hal Jensen Recreation Center Presents:

TOUCH A TRUCK

 **Saturday, July 12th**
 **8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**
 **Coconino High School (North Parking Lot)**

