

NOTICE AND AGENDA

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MONDAY
MAY 18, 2026

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 Stephen Parsons
Vice Chair Austin Kerr
Commissioner Neil Frazier
Commissioner Camille Diab

Commissioner Lisa Lamberson
Commissioner Jill Christensen
Commissioner Josh Stackhouse
Councilmember Representative: Anthony Garcia

3. **Land Acknowledgement**

The Flagstaff Parks and Recreation 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 April 20, 2026 [Minutes](#)**

5. **Open Call to the Public**

This portion of the meeting is for items that are NOT on the agenda. The Commission cannot act on items presented during the public participation of the agenda. The Commission is prohibited by the open meeting law from discussing or considering the item until the item is officially placed on an agenda. Please limit comments to five minutes.

6. **Discussion Items**

- A. Highland Mesa Park Update
Informational only
- B. Cheshire Park Expansion Update
Informational only
- C. Summer Events
Informational only
- D. Kaizen Software Update
Informational only

7. **Reports and Updates**

- A. Council Representative Report, Council Representative Anthony Garcia
- B. PROSE Monthly [Newsletter](#), April 2026

8. **Informational items to and from Commissioners and Staff**
9. **Agenda Items for next meeting**
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 Thursday, May 14, at 12 p.m. This notice has been posted on the City's website and can be downloaded at www.flagstaff.az.gov.

Dated this 14th day of May, 2026.

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.



Parks & Recreation

4.

From: Lori Reynolds, PROSE Admin Specialist

DATE: 05/18/2026

SUBJECT: Approval of April 20, 2026 [Minutes](#)

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Executive Summary:

Attachments

Minutes

MINUTES

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MONDAY
APRIL 20, 2026

IN-PERSON ONLY
BUSHMASTER PARK
3150 N ALTA VISTA DR.
FLAGSTAFF, AZ 86004
4:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Chair Parsons called the meeting to order at 4:04 PM.

2. Roll Call

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

Chair Stephen Parsons, Present	Commissioner Lisa Lamberson, Absent
Vice Chair Austin Kerr, Present	Commissioner Jill Christensen, Absent
Commissioner Neil Frazier, Present	Commissioner Josh Stackhouse, Absent
Commissioner Camille Diab, Present	Councilmember Rep: Anthony Garcia, Present

Staff present: Rebecca Sayers (PROSE Director), Amy Hagin (Assistant PROSE Director), Gino Leoni (Parks Manager), Tyrone Johnson (Recreation Manager), Haley Reynolds (Events & Marketing Manager), Lori Reynolds (Administrative Specialist).

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4. Approval of [March 16, 2026 Minutes](#)

Commissioner Fraizer moved to approve the March 16, 2026 minutes as attached. Commissioner Diab seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Read by Chair Parsons.

Amy Hagin shared an update on behalf of Sara Dechter of Flagstaff's Planning and Development Division on the 2045 Regional Land Use Plan ([presentation linked here](#)). Amy informed Commissioners that the Flagstaff Regional Land Use Plan 2045 and the upcoming special election on Question 492, asking City residents to decide whether to ratify or not ratify the Regional Plan 245. There will not be in-person voting locations on election day. Notable dates to remember are, April 20th: deadline to register to vote and May 19th: special election date.

For more information you are encouraged to learn more and vote in the special election. Sara Dechter can be contacted at sdechter@flagstaffaz.gov if you have questions about the Plan or election.

6. Discussion Items

A. Tour of Sport Courts at Bushmaster Park - Onsite

Amy Hagin provided an overview of the recently completed sports courts project at Bushmaster Park, noting that it is the first large BBB Recreation Capital-funded project completed for PROSE.

Parks staff reported that modifications are planned to extend the low fence railing around the basketball courts along the east and north sides to maintain openness while improving functionality. A connector sidewalk is also planned for the east side of the basketball courts.

Amy highlighted the darker striping on the basketball courts, explaining that these lines accommodate pickleball play. Use of basketball or tennis courts for pickleball is via permit only. Each sports court is equipped with a manual lighting control button to reactive the lighting once turned on. When activated, lights remain on for 60 minutes, with a two-minute warning signal prior to shutoff. All court lighting automatically turns off at 9:00 PM daily.

In response to a question regarding lighting impacts on nearby residents, Amy stated that only one complaint has been received from an adjacent resident. She explained that the installed lighting is directed downward with approximately a 5-foot space lit up outside of the court perimeter, with any noticeable reflection likely caused by nearby tree branches.

Amy noted an issue with unauthorized paper signage being posted on court fencing. Efforts are underway to inform the public and sports groups that signage must be placed on designated park message boards. Parks staff are also exploring options to create improved gathering areas for pickleball participants awaiting play.

Commissioner Frazier inquired about the use of larger rocks in the landscaping. Staff explained that six-inch rocks were selected for ease of maintenance and long-term upkeep.

Additional Features and Improvements:

- All sports courts are ADA accessible.
- Water outflow mitigation measures have been installed south of the courts.
- New vegetation, including cherry blossom trees, has been planted around the courts.
- A fruit orchard was planted west of the courts in 2025, consisting of 80 trees, with approximately 60 currently remaining.

B. New Software Discussion onsite at Bushmaster Park

Haley Reynolds provided an update on the rollout of PROSE's new online reservation platform. She noted that ramada rentals were the first feature made available to the public. All ramadas are being outfitted with new QR codes to improve accessibility, allowing park users to quickly make reservations or check availability on-site. Haley also reviewed the user experience of the reservation system, describing the process from a customer's perspective. Commissioners were encouraged to explore the new platform independently.

Amy directed Commissioners' attention to the newly installed "Welcome" signs located at all 27 parks. She explained that the updated signage has been simplified, emphasizing the use of symbols and QR codes in place of extensive text to improve clarity and usability.

7. Reports and Updates

A. Council Representative Report, Council Representative Anthony Garcia

Councilmember Garcia informed Commissioners that he had just returned from Washington, D.C. where he and a few other Councilmembers and City of Flagstaff staff visited with Arizona Senators Mark Kelly and Ruben Gallego, and Representative Eli Crane to discuss topics including Red Gap

Ranch and the Rio de Flag Flood Control Project. He added that the new Deputy City Manager (Mary Goodman) would be starting in another week.

B. PROSE Monthly Newsletter ([March 2026](#))

Amy shared brief highlights from the March 2026 newsletter with Commissioners.

8. **Informational items to and from Commissioners and Staff**

Commissioner Kerr had a question on the upcoming annual maintenance closure at the Aquaplex. Amy confirmed that there would be a closure from May 4 -14, 2026.

Commissioner Diab notified staff that the roller rink at Bushmaster Park was still in of repairs. Holes that had been previously repaired were not properly sealed. Amy informed Commissioner Diab that the best way to relay maintenance requests is to report them via the parks' maintenance phone line: 928) 213-2161.

9. **Agenda Items for next meeting**

- Upcoming meeting locations:
 - May 18th's meeting will be held at the Aquaplex.
 - June 15th's meeting will be held at Hal Jensen Recreation Center .
- Discuss Commissioner term limits
- Updates on the following:
 - Highland Mesa Park
 - Cheshire Park expansion
 - Summer events
 - Kaizen software

10. **Adjournment**

Chair Parsons adjourned the meeting at 5:14 PM.



Parks & Recreation

6. A.

From: Amy Hagin, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: 05/18/2026

SUBJECT: Highland Mesa Park Update

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Informational only

Executive Summary:

Informational only



Parks & Recreation

6. B.

From: Amy Hagin, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: 05/18/2026

SUBJECT: Cheshire Park Expansion Update

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Informational only

Executive Summary:

Informational only



Parks & Recreation

6. C.

From: Amy Hagin, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: 05/18/2026

SUBJECT: Summer Events

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Informational only

Executive Summary:

Informational only



Parks & Recreation

6. D.

From: Amy Hagin, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: 05/18/2026

SUBJECT: Kaizen Software Update

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Informational only

Executive Summary:

Informational only



Parks & Recreation

7. B.

From: Lori Reynolds, PROSE Admin Specialist

DATE: 05/18/2026

SUBJECT: PROSE Monthly [Newsletter](#), April 2026

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Executive Summary:

Attachments

PROSE April 2026 Newsletter



PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND EVENTS

APRIL 2026
NEWSLETTER

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



Bench Press Competition

High School Hog Call Bench Press Competition

The Aquaplex recently revived a cherished tradition, largely thanks to the dedication of recreation staff, Brad Stricker. This weightlifting competition, once held when Recreation operated out of the Cogdill Center, has found new life and energy with a fresh group of participants. For the past year, Brad has been mentoring a group of high school students who meet with him after school in an informal setting. During these sessions, he shares guidance on strength training, exercise, and overall health and wellness, creating a space where students can learn, grow, and build confidence. The High School Hog Call event gave these students a chance to put their hard work to the test in a safe, encouraging, and fun environment. The results were impressive—many participants achieved personal bests, and two standout lifters surpassed the 200-pound mark. The excitement didn't end with the final lift. Recreation staff are already planning future events, inspired by the enthusiasm of the students—many of whom were asking about the next competition before this one had even wrapped up. It's clear that this renewed tradition is not only building strength, but also a lasting passion for fitness.



Staff & participants group photo



PARKS

Parks Staff Earn New Certifications

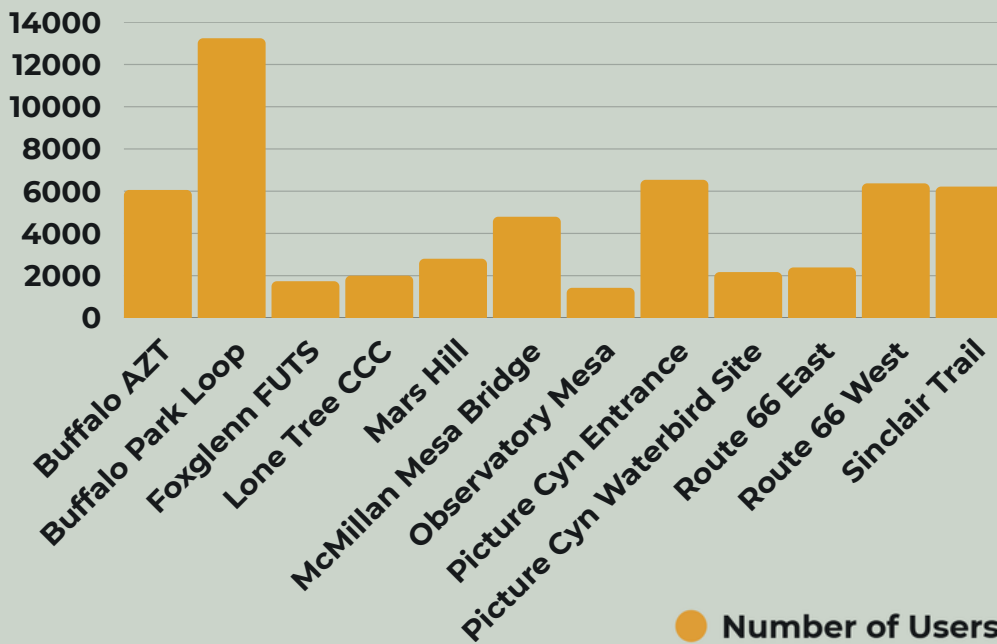
Congratulations to our Parks team members who earned new professional certifications in April. Lynold Herder, Ko-Bar-Li Gillan, Robert Hewat, Devin Todd, and Nathan Sahmie achieved their ALCA Certified Irrigation Technician credentials. This certification strengthens our team’s ability to maintain efficient, sustainable irrigation systems across our parks.

Jonathan Guetter and Israel Armenta became IAPMO Certified Backflow Testers. Their new skills help ensure the safety and integrity of our water systems.

Thomas McKenna earned the Arizona State Certified Pesticide Applicator – Aquatics Endorsement. This certification enhances our team’s stewardship of waterways and aquatic

environments. We are proud of their dedication to advancing their skills and strengthening our department’s expertise.

March 2026 Trail Counts





Daddy Daughter Ball

RECREATION

Daddy Daughter Ball

This year's Daddy Daughter Ball was a wonderful success, with families filling the room for an evening of magic and memories. Guests enjoyed creating charming take-home crafts, sharing a delicious dinner, and dancing the night away—from upbeat favorites like the Macarena to sweet slow dances full of spins and twirls. Staff truly outdid themselves with whimsical décor that brought the "Tennis Shoes and Tiaras" theme to life, making the entire event feel playful, enchanting, and absolutely adorable.



Dinner at Daddy Daughter Ball

Chillin' in the Pines Hockey Tournament

Jay Lively Activity Center proudly hosted the 10th Annual Chillin' in the Pines Hockey Classic. This year's tournament featured two competitive divisions and a total of ten teams, showcasing impressive talent across both the B and C levels. Remarkably, two first-year teams skated away with championship titles: the Icy Hot Boys, a team made up of players traveling from across the country—including as far as Minnesota—claimed the B Division title, while F.G.S., a group of athletes from our local adult hockey league, earned the C Division championship. Both teams will have their names added to their division trophies, and players received custom championship hats to commemorate their hard-earned victories. The tournament continues to grow each year, and excitement is already building as we expand to 10 additional teams across two new divisions this coming May. We are thrilled to see this beloved event thrive and look forward to another fantastic tournament next year as Northern Arizona's premier adult hockey competition.



Father & daughter slow dancing



Hockey players



OPEN SPACE

Students hiking at Buffalo Park



Community & Student Engagement Highlights

The Open Space education team organized a month filled with field trips and community events, including:

- Flagstaff High School students learning about ethnobotany at Picture Canyon.
- Sechrist Elementary students rotating through land management and geology activities on McMillan Mesa.
- Flagstaff Junior Academy students participating in a kestrel Citizen Science project with habitat hikes.
- Marshall Elementary fourth graders measuring trees they planted, celebrating growth with observations and poetry.
- Preschool and kindergarten students from Flagstaff Cooperative Preschool hiking at Picture Canyon.
- Earth Day activities where students from all Flagstaff high schools removed invasive weeds and engaged with STEM professionals, alongside an Open Space booth featuring educational activities.



Students at Picture Canyon



Person examining a yucca plant



Outdoor classroom

Celebrate Trails Day

Open Space partnered with High Country Adaptive Sports to host an inclusive Celebrate Trails Day event, allowing participants of all abilities to try adaptive cycles on the McMillan Mesa Loop Trail. For some participants, it was their first chance to enjoy the Mesa in years due to previous accessibility barriers. The partnership was vital in making this empowering event possible.



Person on an adaptive cycle

EVENTS, MARKETING & ATHLETICS



CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
CONCERTS
IN THE PARK
2026

6.3	The Flag 5 Jim Cullen Memorial Park	7.1	Holly Kirsten Cheshire Park
6.10	The Stellar Jays Peaks View County Park	7.8	The High Standards Smokerise Park
6.17	Optimal Delusion Murdoch Park	7.15	The Pocket Limes Mobile Haven Park
6.24	Big Daddy D and the Dynamites Raymond County Park	7.22	Ryan Biter Bushmaster Park
		7.29	The Coveralls Jim Cullen Memorial Park

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

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

Concerts in the Park Line-Up!

Events and Marketing is excited to share the lineup for this year's Concerts in the Park, featuring a fresh mix of new solo artists and bands.

June 3rd – The Flag 5 at Jim Cullen Memorial Park

June 10th – The Stellar Jays at Peaks View County Park

June 17th – Optimal Delusion at Cleo Murdoch Park

June 24th – Big Daddy D and the Dynamites at Raymond County Park

July 1st – Holly Kirsten at Cheshire Park

July 8th – The High Standards at Smokerise Park

July 15th – The Pocket Limes at Mobile Haven Park

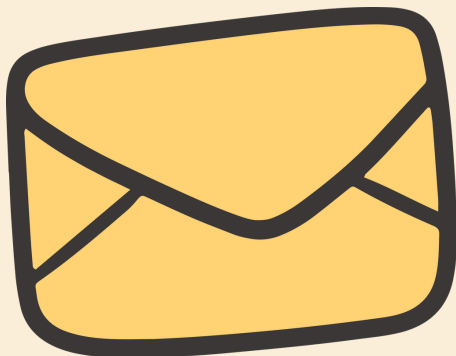
July 22nd – Ryan Biter at Bushmaster Park

July 29th – The Coveralls at Jim Cullen Memorial Park

Flagstaff Regional Plan 2045

On May 19, City of Flagstaff voters will choose whether to ratify or not ratify the Flagstaff Regional Land Use Plan 2045. The election is a vote-by-mail only election. There will be no polling places on election day. **Ballots must be received by 7:00 PM on Tuesday, May 19th.**

To learn about the Regional Plan, visit www.flagstaff.az.gov/regionalplan2045. For election information, visit [City of Flagstaff Elections](#) | [City of Flagstaff Official Website](#).



Upcoming Events & Programs

Mountain Mash Up

Friday, July 17th - 19th | Jay Lively Activity Center

Lace up those skates and register now to be part of this draft-style tournament. Space is limited to the first 48 skaters and 4 goalies, so secure your spot today! Registration is based on skill level for ages 18 and older. All skill levels are welcome. Goalies will draft the teams, and each player will receive a unique jersey. Teams will consist of 12 players and a goalie, with four games guaranteed. It's a great opportunity to meet new people and have fun!

Registration: \$150/ per player



Jay Lively Activity Center
MOUNTAIN MASH UP
HOCKEY TOURNAMENT
July 17th - 19th
\$150 per player
Draft evening of July 17th

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
Space is limited to first 48 skaters and 4 goalies

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF PROSE (928) 213-2344

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

Wednesday Weed Pulls

Every other Wednesday May 13th - September 2nd | 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM | Picture Canyon

Join the Open Space team at Picture Canyon for one of these upcoming volunteer events where you'll learn how to identify invasive plants, practice effective removal techniques, and help restore the landscape with native seed mixes. Whether you are looking for meaningful conversations with fellow volunteers or hoping to zone out in a peaceful, meditative activity, this is a great way to connect with nature and support the health of our local ecosystem.

City of Flagstaff Open Space

WEDNESDAY WEED PULLS

Every Other Wednesday
May 13th - September 2nd

May 13

June 24

August 5

May 27

July 8

August 19

June 10

July 22

September 2

7:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Picture Canyon

CLICK FOR DETAILS & REGISTRATION



Flagstaff Aquaplex



SUMMER DAY CAMP



Ages: 5 - 12

Monday - Friday

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

One-Week Sessions

June 1 - 5	July 13 - 17
June 8 - 12	July 20 - 24
June 15 - 19	July 27 - 31

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER



Member Price:

\$120

Non-Member Price:

\$150

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Aquaplex Summer Camp

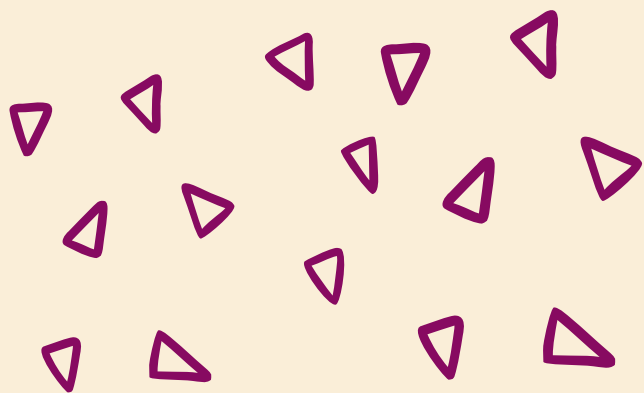
Select weeks throughout June & July |
Monday - Friday | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM |
Ages 5-12

Summer is just around the corner and the Aquaplex is gearing up for some fun filled weeks packed with swimming, games, arts and crafts, and more!

Member Price: \$120

Non-Member Price: \$150

Register Online or at the Aquaplex front desk.



Adult Summer Softball - Second Session

Games begin July 10th!

Registration for the second session Adult Softball is now open!

**Registration:
\$350/ Team**

City of Flagstaff Athletics ADULT SUMMER SOFTBALL

SECOND SESSION

Games begin July 10th

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER



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CITY OF FLAGSTAFF RECREATION

SUMMER SPORTS CAMP

June 22 - 26

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

\$75
REGISTRATION

YOUTH GRADES
4th - 8th

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

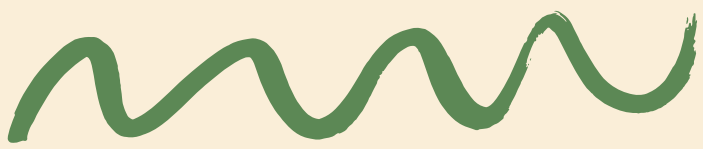
CLICK HERE TO REGISTER
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Summer Sports Camp

June 22 - 26 | 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM | Hal Jensen Recreation Center

Join the PROSE staff this summer for a fun and active sports camp! Campers will learn the basics of a wide variety of games while developing teamwork, confidence, and new skills. We will also introduce participants to exciting new sports and activities throughout the week.

Registration:
\$75/ Camper



Grass Volleyball

June 16 - July 28 | Thorpe Park Softball Complex | Ages 18+

Summer is just around the corner, which means volleyball on the grass! All skill levels are welcome.

Registration:
\$275/ Team

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City of Flagstaff Athletics

GRASS VOLLEYBALL

June 16th - July 28th

Register by June 6th
\$275/ Team

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