It is the mission of the Urbana Park District to:

- *Improve the quality of life of its citizens through a responsive, efficient, and creative park and recreation system,*
- *Pursue excellence in a variety of programs, parks, and special facilities that contribute to the attractiveness of neighborhoods, conservation of the environment, and the overall health of the community.*

NOTICE AND AGENDA OF MEETING
URBANA PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JOINT MEETING WITH URBANA PARKS FOUNDATION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025
6:00 PM
PLANNING AND OPERATIONS FACILITY
1011 E. KERR AVENUE
URBANA, ILLINOIS 61802

Board Study Sessions are designed for the Board to study, review and discuss specific topics. Actions are not typically taken during a Study Session, unless specifically noted on the agenda.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

A. Remote Attendance

The Board may authorize, by a voice vote of the physically present board members, any Commissioner wishing to attend remotely, pursuant to the UPD Remote Attendance Policy (Ord 2017-03).

II. Accept Agenda

III. Public Comment

Any member of the public may make a brief statement at this time within the public participation rules of the Board.

IV. Joint Discussion

A. UPF Information for UPD Board (Megan Puzey, UPF President)
    1. Fundraising & Stewardship Committee Updates (Kelsey Beccue)
    2. Board Development Committee Updates (Jake Wolf, Chair)
        i. Action to Nominate 2026 Officers of the UPF Board of Trustees
            a. President
            b. Vice President
            c. Treasurer
            d. Secretary
    3. Finance Committee (Michael Stevenson, Chair)
        i. Action to Approve December 2025 Distribution to the Urbana Park District
    4. UPF Accomplishments in 2025 (Megan Puzey, UPF President)

B. UPD Information for UPF Board
    1. Report from UPD Board President, Cedric Stratton
    2. 2026 UPF Funding Priorities Report
        i. Action to Approve the 2026 UPF Funding Priorities Report and Forward to UPF Board of Trustees
        ii. Action to Accept the 2026 UPF Funding Priorities Report from the UPD Board of Commissioners

C. Breakout Groups to Discuss Strategies for UPD and UPF to Support Funding Priorities

V. Breakout Group Reports

VI. Comments from Commissioners and Trustees

VII. Closing Remarks

VIII. Adjourn

Note: The Meeting Agenda and Supporting Materials are on the UPD website at https://www.urbanaparks.org/board-of-commissioners.

Urbana Park District Funding Request to Urbana Parks Foundation
December 2025 Billing
as of 10/31/2025 cash sheet

Amount	UPD Revenue GL Line When Rec'd	UPD Deposit-Description
1,856.09	01-01-001-39599	UPF-Foundation Support Costs Reimbursement
500.00	05-58-586-39599	UPF-Jazz Walk Sponsorship
1,000.00	05-58-586-39599	UPF-Jazz Walk Support
500.00	05-58-584-39599	UPF-Neighborhood Nights Sponsorship
500.00	05-58-581-39599	UPF-Turkey Trot Sponsorship
500.00	05-55-550-39599	UPF-Read Across America
39,060.00	80-25-810-39599	UPF-After Giverny and Gifting Angel Acquisition
43,916.09		

11/04/2025 GL ACTIVITY REPORT FOR URBANA PARK DISTRICT

FROM 01-01-001-45009 TO 01-01-001-45009

TRANSACTIONS FROM 04/01/2025 TO 10/31/2025

DATE	PAID TO	ITEM	PURPOSE	COST
Fund 01 GENERAL FUND				
04/01/2025	01-01-001-45009 FUND DEVELOPMENT-FOUNDATION DEVEL			
04/10/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE APR	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
04/27/2025	BALDAROTTA	LUNCH-UPF DEVELOPMENT MTG	BOARD DEVELOPMENT	305.82
04/27/2025	SCHNUCKS	DRINKS-UPF DEVELOPMENT MTG	BOARD DEVELOPMENT	6.18
04/27/2025	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE - UPF	POSTAGE	10.10
04/30/2025	SCHNUCKS	DRINKS-CHAMBER AFTER HOURS	EVENT	186.92
04/30/2025	GODADDY.COM	UPF WEBSITE DOMAIN RENEWAL	UPF WEBSITE	23.17
05/05/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE MAY	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
06/12/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE JUN	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
06/27/2025	SCHNUCKS	COMMISSIONER RECEPTION DRINKS	EVENT	49.96
06/27/2025	GODADDY.COM	UPF DOMAIN RENEWAL	UPF WEBSITE	128.68
07/10/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE JUL	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
07/31/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE AUG	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
08/27/2025	GODADDY.COM	UPF EMAIL	UPF EMAIL	143.76
08/28/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE SEP	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
09/27/2025	CINCINNATI INSURANCE	LATE FEE - UPF INSURANCE	INSURANCE	25.00
10/09/2025	NEON ONE LLC	DONOR SOFTWARE OCT	DONOR SOFTWARE	139.50
10/31/2025	01-01-001-45009			
TOTAL FOR FUND 01 GENERAL FUND			END BALANCE	1,856.09

URBANA PARKS FOUNDATION PRIORITIES FOR 2026

December 2, 2025

High Priority Initiatives

Prairie and Weaver Parks together will be the next major destination park experience in Urbana, and will extend the success of the Health & Wellness Center further into the community.

Scholarships are a cornerstone of our belief that ***You Belong Here***, ensuring access to beneficial programs and services regardless of the ability to pay.

King Park, located in an area of Urbana that has historically been underserved, has a new master plan informed by park neighbors through a robust community-focused planning process.

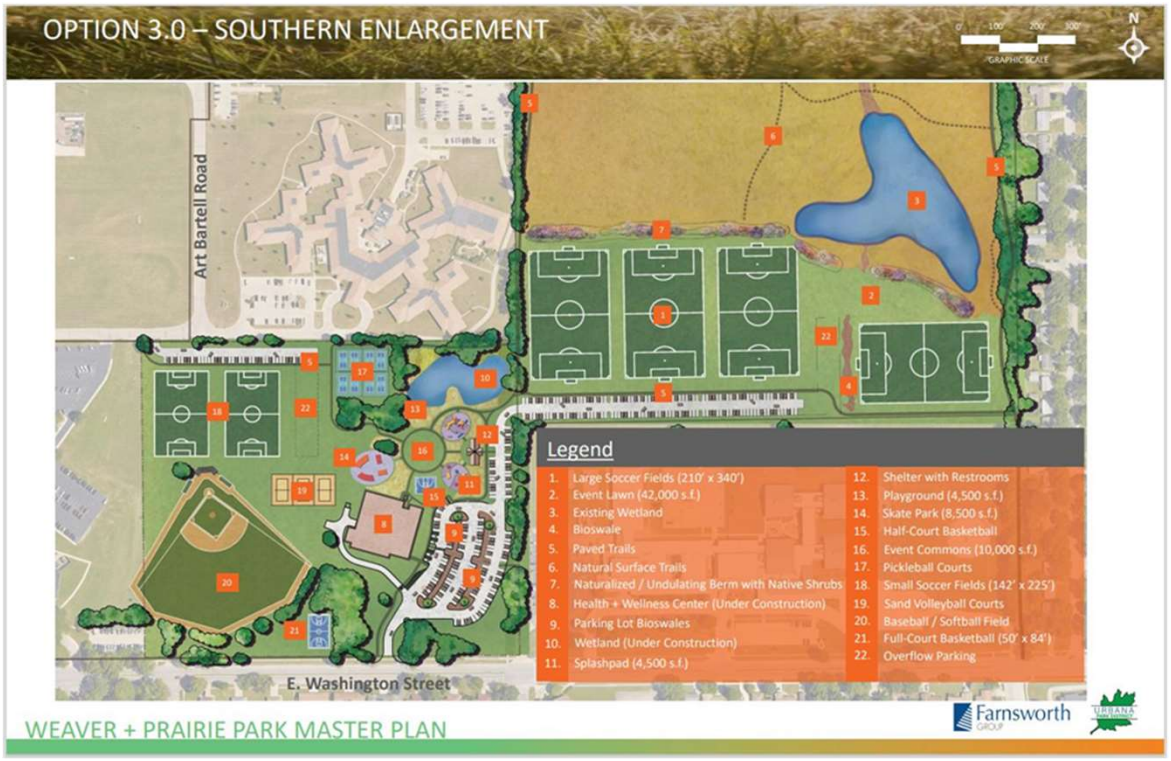
Prairie and Weaver Parks

Capital Campaign Planning

- With the Health & Wellness Center open, the next priority will be securing private support for the outdoor development at Prairie and Weaver Parks.
- Key features of the Prairie and Weaver Park Master Plan include a playground, sprayground, and skate park.
- The Urbana Parks Foundation will be needed to assist in raising funds for the third phase of the Prairie/Weaver development, to begin in 2027.

Goal: begin capital campaign planning, including forming a planning committee, cultivating donor relationships, and assisting in completing a feasibility study.

Prairie and Weaver Park Master Plan



Scholarships

Scholarships

- Provide Urbana youth and families access to recreation programs and facilities offered by the Urbana Park District based on financial need.
- Philanthropic funds from OSF Healthcare are supporting Health & Wellness Center memberships, but will not support registered programs.
- Current budgeting for Youth Scholarships is limited and based on current Recreation Fund.
- Support in funding would assist and allow the UPD to continue offering "program access to all".

Goal: $30,000

Camps and recreation opportunities provide invaluable learning and socializing opportunities for youth.

Scholarships bring together youth from across Urbana to promote the importance of recreation, well-being and community.

King Park

King Park Development

- The new master plan for King Park calls for a new playground, teen hangout area, Peace Plaza, and band shell for outdoor concerts and performances.
- The park district is pursuing multiple grants, and has some capital funds budgeted, but additional private funds will be needed to supplement the grant match.

Goal: $100,000

King Park Master Plan

Playground rendering

Multipurpose trail along Lincoln Avenue

View looking west into Peace Plaza

Northwest view from Lincoln Avenue