

City Council

Agenda

Tuesday, May 26, 2026
Special Meeting
Council Chambers
749 Main Street
6:00 PM

Members of the public are welcome to attend and give comments remotely. However, the in-person meeting may continue even if technology issues prevent remote participation.

- You can call in to +1 719 359 4580 or 877 853 5247 (toll free)
Webinar ID #876 9127 0986.
- You can log in via your computer. Please visit the [City's website](#) to link to the meeting.

City Council considers written and oral comments equally. [Email comments to the Council](#) received after the packet is posted online and before 3pm the day of the meeting will be included in the Council addendum and provided to each Council member prior to the meeting. If you prefer to address Council in person, you may attend the meeting either in person or virtually.

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Regular Business

- A. Joint Meeting with Parks & Public Landscaping
There will be one round of public comment.

4. Executive Session - Real Property Acquisitions and Dispositions

(Louisville Charter Section 5-2(c) and C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a)). The City Manager is requesting the City Council convene an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Real Property Acquisitions and Dispositions concerning properties in Louisville Only as to Appraisals and Other Value Estimates and Strategy.

Request for Executive Session
City Clerk Statement
City Attorney Statement of Authority
Council Action on Motion for Executive Session
City Council Convenes Executive Session
City Council Reconvenes in Open Meeting

5. Executive Session Report - Discussion / Direction / Action

6. Adjourn

Resident Information

If you wish to speak at the City Council meeting in person, please fill out a sign-up card and present it to the City Clerk at the meeting. If you are attending remotely, please use the “raise hand” icon to show you wish to speak in appropriate public comments section.

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A forty-eight-hour notice is requested.

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Subject: Joint Meeting with Parks & Public Landscaping
There will be one round of public comment.

Date: May 26, 2026

Prepared By: Parks & Public Landscaping Advisory Board Members
Chris Davis, Parks Superintendent

Presented By: Parks & Public Landscaping Advisory Board Members
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Summary:

Annual meeting with Parks & Public Landscaping Advisory Board.

Background / Prior Discussions:

The City Council tries to meet annually with each of the City's advisory boards to discuss Council's Work Plan, the board's work plan, and alignment of the two, provide direction, and discuss matters of mutual interest. Current PPLAB members are:

- John Webb, Chair
- Kathy Kelsey
- Jean Keil
- David Pomeroy
- Kelli Zimmerman

There are currently two vacant positions.

Development Proposal:

N/A

Analysis:

PPLAB has prepared a presentation for Council and is seeking guidance on the following:

- Is there anything else that PPLAB should consider related to the Council Work Plan?
- Are there any non-work plan items?
- Are all items within the purview of the Board and advisory to Council in nature?

- Is this what Council needs from the Board?

Council Work Plan:

PPLAB supports many items on Council's Work Plan.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Alternatives:

N/A

Recommendation:

Receive a presentation from PPLAB.

Attachments:

1. 2026 05 26 Council PPLAB presentation



**City Council &
Parks & Public Landscaping
Advisory Board
2026 Joint Meeting**

May 26, 2025

Mayor: Chris Leh

Board Chair: John Webb

Liaison: Chris Davis, Parks & Forestry
Superintendent

Introductions

- John Webb
- He/Him
- Chair PPLAB and Louisville Bee City USA Committee
- Currently serving in my fifth year as PPLAB member, third year as Louisville Bee City USA Chair, and beginning first term as PPLAB Chair

Purpose and Expectations

- Annual joint meeting with City Council
- Overview of PPLAB role
- 2026 City Council Priorities and Work Plan
- 2026 PPLAB Priorities
- Discussion/Direction from City Council

Parks & Public Landscaping Advisory Board Role

Advisory to city council.

Louisville Municipal Code

- Sec. 2.20.020. – Boards and Commissions - General

Except as otherwise provided by the charter or by ordinance, each board and commission shall be advisory in character. The term, responsibilities, policies, and other matters concerning each board and commission shall be as established by resolution.

- Sec. 8.12.240 – Appeals

Any decision of the city forester concerning licensing or removal of trees may be appealed to and heard by the parks and public landscaping advisory board.

Resolution No. 65, Series 2015

- To assist the City Council and staff in determining the community's needs and desires for parks, programs, and facilities in relationship to parks related issues in the Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan;
- To advise the City Council and staff on park and public landscape maintenance, development, and redevelopment, and review referrals for proposed landscape plans for public areas;
- To advise the City Council and staff on the capital and operating budget as it relates to parks and public landscape maintenance;
- To advise the City Council and staff on best practices related to parks and landscaping;
- To promote healthy horticultural and forestry practices in public and private landscapes;
- To educate the public regarding horticultural and forestry practices appropriate to Louisville's climate and soils;
- To review and give comments on city landscape master plans, landscape ordinances and other appropriate landscape documents;
- To maintain a list of small, medium, and large trees, bushes and shrubs to be planted as street trees or park trees and advise the City on the adoption of regulations for the care and planting of trees.

Other Key Guidance

- All City Boards are subject to the Colorado Open Records Act and Open Meeting rules in the Home Rule Charter.
- Rules of Procedure are in place for all boards. These cover meeting civility, general rules, meeting requirements and more.
- Bylaws – Updates coming
- Continuing quasi-judicial role

2026 Council Work Plan

Four Priorities:

- Economic Vitality
- Core Services
- Safety
- Affordable Housing

Two lenses:

- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI)
- Environmental Sustainability

2026 Council Work Plan

- Downtown Vision Plan Streetscapes and Public Places
- Economic Vitality Committee Policy Recommendations
- Targeted Development Code and Process Amendments
- Development Code Rewrite
- Sundance Film Festival
- McCaslin Corridor

2026 Proposed Work Plan

Parks & Public Landscaping Advisory Board

2026 PPLAB Work Plan Summary

- Objectives:
 - Sustainably Maintain Existing Parks Infrastructure and Landscape
 - Fire Hardening of Existing Park Infrastructure and Future Parks Development
 - Promote Economic Vitality by Fostering Welcoming and Sustainable Parks and Infrastructure
 - Promote EDI Through Work Plan Objectives and Actions
- Budgetary Support for Parks in 2026 and 2027
- Support Initiatives for Fire Resistance, Water Wise, and Sustainable Parks Management, to Promote Community Resilience
- Provide Educational Opportunities to Promote Pollinator Habitat, Ecologic Diversity, and Sustainability in our Parks
- Provide Support for Louisville IWMP
 - Recommendations, communications, and educational opportunities to reduce the use of pesticides in our community
 - Work Toward Measurable Pesticide Reduction in Parks and Surrounding Community
 - Work Toward Transparency in Pesticide use in PPL

2026 PPLAB Work Plan Summary

- Support and Advise PROS Projects Budgetary Support for Parks in 2026 and 2027
 - Memory Square and Rec Center Playground Design
 - Median Renovations
 - Identified 2026 CIP Projects
 - Development Review (Red Tail Ridge(?), Louisville East Entry)
- Review Parks Long Range Plan as Requested
- Provide Educational Opportunities to Promote Ecologic Diversity and Sustainability in our Parks
- PPLAB Bylaws Review and Update

2025 PPLAB Highlights

- Review and Approval of Restoration Plans and OPENING of Enclave and Sunflower Parks!
- Review of Dillon Road and McCaslin Median Renovation Plans, Cornerstone Flower Bed Replacements, Focusing on Native Plants, Fire Resistance, and Turf Replacement
- Initiation of Improvements and Arbor Day Planting of New Trees at Arboretum
- Japanese Beetle Mediation and Milkweed Pollinator Benefits Documents
- Review of Joint Lafayette/Louisville Mixed Use Athletic Fields and Tennis Court Upgrades
- Discussions of Pesticide use, Safety, and Continued Pesticide Reduction in Louisville
- Review of Louisville Comprehensive Plan and Long-Range Plan for Parks and Open Space
- Bee City Seed Swap at Louisville Library with Wild Ones Front Range Chapter, Winter Sowing workshop with Louisville Bloomin' Seniors, Earth Day, Every Day event, Pollinator Garden Tour, Davidson Mesa Native Plant and Pollinator walk, Member Participation in Bioblitz, and work to Reinstate Louisville Bee City USA as subcommittee of PPLAB

2026 PPLAB Priorities – Related to Council’s Work Plan

- Budgetary Support- *Core Services, Safety*
 - Support Park Operational budget needs for current 2-year budget cycle.
- Pollinator Habitat, Resilience, Fire Resistant, Water Wise and Sustainable Landscape Opportunities – *Core Services, Safety, Economic Vitality, Sustainability*
 - Sustainable landscape opportunities that are resilient, fire resistant, water wise, and support pollinator habitats. Collaboration with OSAB for pocket plantings and transitional planting areas from Parks to Open Space. Complete Cornerstone landscape repairs and continue work at Arboretum
- Education- *Core Services, Sustainability, EDI*
 - Find educational opportunities as outlined in PPLAB mission to support public’s knowledge and understanding of the Parks Operational program. Topics to include Fire Hardening, Sustainable Landscaping, Japanese Beetle mitigation, Mental Health benefits of Park Spaces and continuation of the Bee City USA designation through public outreach opportunities.

Alignment with Parks Departmental Work Plans

- Pollinator landscape plantings
 - Pursue additional opportunities for Arboretum landscape transformation
- Upgrade landscape plantings at Community Park to include water wise and pollinator friendly native plants
- Educational opportunities with PROS Marketing
 - Park Operations seasonally, Japanese Beetle and Emerald Ash Borer mitigation, Habitat Survival guide for drought, and water conservation
- Staff collaboration with PLAY Boulder and Youth Forestry Corp planting 25 trees and education on urban tree care through Youth Corp

Council Guidance

Opportunity for discussion/direction from Council:

- Anything else the board should consider related to the council work plan?
- Council guidance on the non-work plan items?

Important considerations:

- *Are all items in the purview of the Board and advisory to Council in nature?*
- *Is this what council needs from the board?*

Thank you!

- To the Parks and Public Landscape Advisory Board members for your leadership and time as volunteers!
- To staff for your amazing work and accomplishments!
- Next Steps:
 - Council looks forward to continued work with each board and commission
 - MAY 16 – Recommendations for interim budget due
 - MAY 16 – Recommendations for 2026 Council Work Plan due
 - NOVEMBER – Recommendations for 2026 Legislative agenda due