



City of Valdez

212 Chenega Ave.
Valdez, AK 99686

Meeting Agenda

Parks and Recreation Commission

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Joint Work Session with Council Commission - Commission Goals

JOINT CITY COUNCIL, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION WORK SESSION - 6:00 pm

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1. [PRCS Commission Goals](#)



Legislation Text

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ITEM TITLE:

PRCS Commission Goals

SUBMITTED BY: Lisa Anderson

FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: N/A

Unencumbered Balance: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and discuss PRCS Commission Goals

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Over the past few months Commission has reviewed Parks and Recreation Master Plan and engaged with constituents to discuss the future development of park lands. In response, the Commission has been working to implement goals that will help guide its direction moving forward.

PRCS Commission Goals



Timeline

- **December 2024:**
Commission asked for clarification of their role
- **January 2025:**
Clerk Sheri Pierce came to Commission meeting to speak about the Commissions roles and responsibilities
- **February 2025:**
Commission had a work session to go over their ideas for their goals
- **March 2025:**
Commission finalized their goals to present to Council



City of Valdez Mission Statement and Core Values

Mission Statement:

The mission of the City of Valdez is to cultivate an environment of opportunity, sustained prosperity, and well-being for all people of Valdez

Core Values:

Integrity
Stewardship
Sustainability
Service
Celebrate





Parks and Recreation Mission and Vision Statement.

Mission Statement:

Valdez Parks and Recreation provides inclusive high-quality parks and programs that utilize our unique resources for a fun and healthy community.

Vision Statement:

People, Parks, and Programs foster experiences which Renew the human spirit and promote community vitality.





NRPA Pillars



Health and Well-Being



Equity



Environmental Resilience





Parks and Recreation Staff Priorities

Enhance park cleanliness and safety

Update park & trail maps

Identify trail maintenance needs

Employee retention

ADA Compliance

Department GIS mapping

Update cemetery process and data

Improving on services already provided and focusing on quality

Improving & developing policies that will better support frontline staff when enforcing facility rules



Trail Development

- Interconnectivity
- Title 16 easement partnerships (working on trail ord. during dev.)
- Walking trail partnerships and maintenance on DOT right of way
- Monthly commission trail reports (staff maintenance plan)
- Bike to work program (programming focused)
- Work with DNR/State Parks on paddling trails



Goal 2

Options for indoor and covered playground places

- Develop pop-up programs with existing facilities
- Feasibility study for covering a playground
- Implementation of playground capital replacement program.



Goal 3

ADA compliance plan

- Work to enhance accessibility at all parks and playgrounds
- Identify areas that need addressing and develop an action plan
- Work with Public Works to address pedestrian community walkability



Goals 4 & 5

#4 Innovative Outdoor Recreation

- Disc Golf
- Ski Hill
- Pump Track
- Gun Range
- Outdoor pickleball
- Collaboration with Alaska Sea Grant Organization



#5 CSO pre and post event meetings to enhance relationships and communication.





Next Steps

Trail Development

Options for indoor and covered playground places

ADA compliance plan



Innovative Outdoor Recreation

CSO pre and post event meetings to enhance Relationships & communication