



City of Naperville

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Meeting Minutes

Riverwalk Commission

Thursday, May 15, 2025

3:00 PM

Meet in NEU

Annual AMP Walk (East of Eagle St.)

A. ROLL CALL:

Riverwalk Commissioner Attendees: Hannah Brauer ; Grant Cowen; Andy Hynes; Seth Michael; Tiffani Picco; Johnna Shields; Mike Sullivan; and Carl Wohlt

Additional Attendees: Jesus Cortez, NCTV17; Rebecca DeLarme, City staff; Brian Dusak, ERA; Mary Hamill, ACTF; Stephanie Penick, Naperville Riverwalk Foundation; Carl Peterson, GRWA; and Katie Rubush, City staff

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Commence Annual Asset Management Plan Walk - Tiffani Picco

Receive walkthrough discussion highlights for the upcoming Asset Management Plan (AMP) Walk

Attachments: [Riverwalk AMP Walkthrough 2025](#)

Picco guided the group, starting at the Eagle Street bridge towards the Youth Plaza. The following topics were covered and are categorized by section:

Follow-up items for future discussion at upcoming PD&C Committee meetings are noted in bold print

Section 5:

1. Banner Poles: Picco noted the three banner poles at this location and the banner style and locations that were discussed at last week's AMP walk that will be continued.
2. Il Campo pavers around Youth Plaza: The group reviewed the Il Campo style paver used in this area and discussed the potential for use in the South Extension plaza and other areas. Peterson noted this concept is used in the 430 S. Washington Street design.
3. Block wall on lower walk, east of Eagle Street: Picco reported that the wall is in fair condition, and they will continue to monitor each year.

4. **Labyrinth and railings at Amphitheater:** The group viewed the restoration of the labyrinth and Picco discussed the possibility of including an **informational sign** in the area. She noted that the railings were powder coated, reinstalled and now look brand new.
5. **Elm roots vs. pavers by Rubin Family Circle:** Picco discussed the issue with tree roots and advised that the pavers would be leveled by Park District staff.
6. **Free Speech Pavilion:** Park District staff repainted the electric box and will refinish the three picnic tables this summer.
7. **Covered Bridge (Moser Bridge at Webster St) Roof Replacement:** The roof was inspected last year and will need to be replaced within the next year. Can this be included in the budget for 2026? A suggestion to sell the old shingles for a fundraiser was made by Shields.
8. **New landscape by stairs east of covered bridge:** Park District staff cleaned up the area and new plants were added in spring. Funding for the project was provided by the Naperville Riverwalk Foundation.
9. **Horse Trough Fountain:** Picco advised that the landscaping will be completed in the fall and the fountain basin will be painted black in the near future.

Section 6:

1. **Lower walk landscape along Water Street:** Picco noted the sedges that were planted and pulled up by the geese.

Section 7:

1. **Statue of Fredenhagens:** The possible need to relocate the Fredenhagens' statue was discussed, noting the view from the bridge and the current proximity to Rotary Plaza.
2. **Ipe wood refresh:** Picco pointed out the original color of the Ipe wood on areas of the clock tower. She will get quotes for the restoration in the area and work with Hynes to determine what can be included in the 2025 budget.
3. **Exchange Club Memories Fountain:** Picco provided an update on the fountain repair. The water lines have been repaired and the pressure testing on the pipes has been completed. After the plumbing inspection by the City, the contractor will begin work on the electrical lines.
4. **Lower area next to Moser Bridge and ramp:** Picco discussed the future view of the area to and from 430 S. Washington Street and the importance of the two parks flowing together.

Section 8:

1. Landscape Refresh East Extension: Park District staff continues to focus on the landscaping near the funeral home, the gardeners' bed, and Nicor Plaza.
2. 2031 Master Plan: Hillside Gateway: The group reviewed the plaza area and the lower walk measurements, comparing to the South Extension plan design. It was noted the design was to scale.
3. "No Bicycles" signs: Picco pointed out the existing signs and discussed the need to expand to more of a "Walk Your Wheels" type sign to include scooters, rollerblades and skateboards. Further discussion is needed on updating existing signs, new standard prior to new section.

(Future) Section 9:

1. Walking, Bike Path and Overlook Locations: The group discussed the South Extension plans, noting the removal of the existing sidewalk, the new path and where the bike path and Riverwalk path will split.
2. Martin Avenue Plaza: Continued discussion needed on Endeavor Health/Edward Hospital recognition possibilities.
3. New Riverwalk Standard Paver: Continued discussions needed for the South Extension.