



Commission Members:

Beth Rabbitt, John Clark, Marie Gray, Stephen Bensten, Helen Coyne, Alexis Lopez Del Vecchio, Ashley Burdick, William Elting, Victoria Pelletier (City Councilor), Donna Gartland, Jaime Parker (Chair), Kristen Fulmer, Robert Foster, Katie Mears

Staff: Ethan Hipple Parks (Director of Parks, Recreation, and Facilities), Alex Marshall (Parks Director), Jessica Teesdale (SEA PAF)

City of Portland
Parks Commission Agenda
January 4, 2024 at 5:00 PM

City Hall Kippy Richardson Conference Room 24 located on the ground level of City Hall

The Mission of the Portland Parks Commission is to advocate for the enhancement and stewardship of our parks and open spaces. Review and propose projects that impact parks and open spaces and recommend action.

Foster collaboration among park users and the City. Promotes public access and enjoyment.

Advocate for public and private funding for parks and open spaces. Enjoy Portland for Life.

MEETING ACCESS INFORMATION

The Parks Commission will conduct this meeting in-person from City Hall Kippy Richardson Conference Room 24 located on the ground level of City Hall.

Public comments may only be submitted in person or in writing.

To submit written public comment on an agenda item, email parkscommission@Portlandmaine.gov Submissions must be received by 12:00 pm the day before the Parks Commission meeting to guarantee their inclusion in the agenda packet. All submissions must include the commenter's name and legal address. To help ensure your comment is submitted for the correct item, please include the name of the agenda item (see below).

To view this meeting please visit the Livestream <https://portlandme.portal.civicclerk.com/event/6291/media>

- I. Call to Order
 - II. General Citizen Comment Period
 - a. Citizen Comments 12.7.2023 through 1.3.2024
 - III. Agenda Items
 - a. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes: December 7, 2023
 - b. New Business
 - i. Thomas Park-Presentation and Vote
 - ii. Parks Commission Role and Charter
 - iii. Committee Assignments
- Community Outreach Committee-Greenspace Gathering
Annual Report and Inventory Committee

Park Initiative Committee

Finance Development Committee

c. Old Business

i. Annual Report

ii. Encampment Statement submitted to Council

d. Communications and Updates

i. Parks Report

ii. Land Bank Commission Report

iii. Green Space Gathering

e. Commissioner requests for Agenda Items

IV. Adjournment