

City of Portland Parks Commission Agenda



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.

Commission Members:

Alexis Lopez Del Vecchio, Beth Rabbitt, Donna Gartland, Griffin Bourassa, Jaime Parker, John Clark, Kaley Sweeny, Marie Gray, Robert Foster, Sarah Michniewicz (City Councilor), Stephen Campbell, William Elting, Zach Mgoon.

City Staff:

Alex Marshall (Parks Director), Jen DeRice (Parks Assistant Director), Jessica Teesdale (PRF Sr. Executive Assistant)

August 6, 2026 at 5:00 PM

On the first Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm, the Portland Parks Commission will hold a meeting at Parks, Recreation, and Facilities, 212 Canco Rd., Suite A conference room. The Parks Commission will conduct this meeting in person. 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 person'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).

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- I. Call to Order
- II. General Citizen Comment Period
 - a. Public Comment emails 3.5-8.5 2026
- III. Agenda Items
 - a. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes: March 5, 2026
 - b. New Business
 - i. Welcome New Commissioners
 - ii. Commission Chair and Vice Chair Nominations and Vote
 - c. CIP Process and Outreach
 - d. Old Business
 - i. Committee Organization
 - e. Communications and Updates
 - i. Parks Division Report
 - ii. Land Bank Commission Report

f. Commissioner requests for Agenda Items

IV. Adjournment