



78th Street Heritage Farm Advisory Team Meeting Minutes



Thursday, May 15, 2025, 4:00PM to 6:00PM
Virtual Meeting only via Microsoft Teams

Advisory Team: Sandra Brown, Bill Fickett, Lisa Bayautet, Carol Levanen*, Rachel Feston*

Clark County: Amy Arnold, Matthew Baum, Zane Karver, David Stipe

Farm Programs, Neighbors, Public Members: Judie Stanton, Kristine Perry, Kirk Gresham,
Meeting Guest (External)

* Not Present

4:00 PM Called to Order/Introductions

Matthew called the meeting to order and folks introduced themselves.

4:03 PM Farm Operations Report/Plan – Matthew Baum/Zane Karver

Zane discussed various things including how the plant sale went, that they put compost bins in for the Children's Garden, and that the Clark County Food Bank and Latinos Unidos y Florenciado group have been preparing their fields. Zane also indicated that it's mowing season, that the leaks that were present were fixed, and that everything has been growing.

Matthew discussed that improvements to the road are still being worked on as the county looks for an alternative solution to repair it. Sandy and Matthew discussed the location of the road and the type of material to use to repair it.

Sandra discussed that she and Lisa worked in the booth that Lynde setup for the Mother's Day Plant Sale at the farm, and she and David discussed the number of people they talked to. Sandra, David, and Matthew also discussed the upcoming restoration project at the farm regarding which roads will be closed and what kind of notifications the farm partners will be given. David discussed the restoration project's plans further.

Matthew asked folks that have joined the meeting recently to introduce themselves.

4:13 PM Approval of Meeting Minutes

Matthew discussed approval of the March 20, 2025 meeting minutes and Amy instructed Lisa how to participate if she was unable to use her microphone.

Time	Action Item
4:24 PM	MOTION BY: Sandra Brown SECOND BY: Bill Fickett
	MOTION: Motion to adopt these Minutes, as submitted: March 20, 2025 Minutes
	DISCUSSION: The Minutes have been approved.
	IN FAVOR: All OPPOSED: None ABSTAINED: None

4:19 PM Public Comments/Open Forum

Matthew and David discussed when the Heritage Farm Wetland Restoration project should begin, the process for mobilization by the contractor, and that updates will be communicated with folks who are impacted. David and Kristine also discussed that she would attend the weekly construction meetings for project updates once they begin. Bill and Matthew discussed if this project would yield a photo opportunity with the County Councilors.

David discussed updates on the Heritage Farm Public Access Improvements project and the process of selecting the contractor, Walker Macy, for design services for the children's pavilion at the farm. David discussed that the county would do public outreach work and focus on conceptual plans for the building and alignment of the first phase of a trail to connect to Hazel Dell Community Park.

4:25 PM Open Forum – Questions and Answers

There is none.

4:27 PM Adjournment

Submitted by Amy Arnold, Secretary

All meetings are scheduled from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM



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Update: Heritage Farm Public Access Improvements

Parks & Nature is negotiating a contract with Walker Macy, a landscape architecture firm that will assist staff with the Public Access Improvements Project. Walker Macy has experience in planning and designing agricultural properties that have a public access element. In addition, they are bringing on Agriburbia, a firm that specializes in agriculture and sustainable development in urban, suburban and rural environments. We hope to complete the contracting process in the next one to two months.

On May 10, 2025 Planning and Development, along with Sandy Brown and Lisa Bayutet hosted a booth at the Mother's Day Plant Sale. We shared information on the Wetland Restoration Project and the Public Access Improvements Project. We made over 100 contacts and received lots of positive comments about both projects!

