

**PARKS, GREENWAYS, AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
AGENDA**

**7:00 P.M., Tuesday, October 15, 2024  
Virtual Meeting**

Roll Call: Marcella Twamley, Chair, Margaret Moore, Vice Chair, Shane Brogan, Jane Harris, Orange County Representative, and Lydia Kivihya-Ndugga

- 7:00 p.m.      1. Welcome and Roll Call – Chair
- 7:05 p.m.      2. Approval of Minutes (September 17, 2024)
- 7:10 p.m.      3. Communications and Petitions from Commission, Council Liaisons, and Staff
- 7:15 p.m.      4. Questions and Petitions from the Public in Attendance
- 7:30 p.m.      5. Community Center Park Inclusive Playground Project Design Presentation, Kevin Robinson, Senior Manager of Park Planning and Operations of the Parks and Recreation Department
- 8:00 p.m.      6. Tree Maintenance Program and Right of Way Responsibilities Presentation, Kevin Robinson, Senior Manager of Park Planning and Operations of the Parks and Recreation Department
- 8:15 p.m.      7. Liaison reports  
Liaisons may make reports on topics of interest to the entire Commission:
- Community Design Commission      Margaret Moore
  - Community Tree Committee      Marcella Twamley
  - Cultural Arts Commission      Lydia Kivihya-Ndugga
  - Environmental Stewardship Advisory Board      Vacant
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  - Friends of Chapel Hill Parks & Recreation      Shane Brogan
  - New Hope Creek Corridor Advisory Committee      TBD
  - Orange County Department of Aging      TBD
  - Orange County Parks/Recreation Council      Jane Harris

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- Planning Commission Vacant
  - Transportation & Connectivity Advisory Board Vacant
  - Youth Council TBD
  - Racquet Sports (Tennis & Pickleball) Stakeholders Committee TBD
  - Inclusive Playground Work Group Marcela Twamley
- 9:00 p.m. 8. Adjourn

**TOWN ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

**Greene Tract**

A copy of the Concept Plan was shared at Community Engagement Workshop on September 22, at Morris Grove Elementary School, 215 Eubanks Rd, Chapel Hill, NC 27516. For more information on this project and upcoming events, please check the Orange County’s webpage [Greene Tract | Orange County, NC \(orangecountync.gov\)](#)

**Haunted Hill** - A Trunk-or-Treat, a Great Pumkin Decorating Contest and some spooktacular games and an outdoor movie (The Addams Family). Local groups and people will help by decorating their cars’ trunks and giving out candy that’s already packaged for trick or treating for kids in the community. Don’t forget your costumes!  
Want to host a Trunk or Treat and promote your organization. [Sign Up here](#)  
[Register here](#) for the Pumkin Decorating Contest.

Chapel Hill Community Center  
Saturday, October 26, 2024, | 5 - 8:30 pm

**Floating Pumpkin Patch** - Party with Pumpkins at the Pool! Join us for an afternoon full of floating pumpkins in the pool.

Homestead Aquatic Center  
Saturday, October 26, 2024 | 3 – 5:00 pm  
Sign up [here](#).

**Youth Basketball Skill Evaluations** – The Parks and Recreation Department and Dicks Sporting Goods are hosting a Skills Evaluation Week for Basketball League players. Coaches will be on-hand November 11-14 at Dicks Sporting Goods, 5422 New Hope Commons Drive, Durham, NC 27707, [919-493-9884](tel:919-493-9884), to evaluate each participant's basketball playing skills.

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[Click here](#) to Register  
[Download this coupon](#) and Save 20% off at [DICKS Sporting Goods](#) Friday Nov 15 thru Sunday Nov 17.

## PROJECTS

Greenways, Sidepaths, and Parks Projects Progress: Following are brief updates. Commission members should contact the staff if they have questions or comments.

*Comprehensive Systemwide Master Plan:* \$300,000 from the Penny for Parks funding is in place for this project. BerryDunn has been selected for this project. A contract is being routed for approval should be awarded in October 2024, with kick-off meeting in November.

*Hargraves Park Tennis Courts:* Construction on the resurfacing and reconstruction of the three existing tennis courts is substantially complete. Remaining punch list items and construction work should be completed this fall.

*Homestead Skate Park:* \$500,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funding is in place for the skate park upgrades. The design and construction documents are complete, and the project is being re-bid for a third time. Construction bids are due by 2:00 p.m. on October 14. For more information, please visit the Town's webpage: <https://www.townofchapelhill.org/Home/Components/RFP/RFP/1661/1130>

### *Morgan Creek Greenway Project*

**West Section:** Kimley-Horn has prepared preliminary plans and meetings are being held to review the alignment with Town team members, UNC, Frank Porter Graham school officials, Orange Water and Sewer Authority, Town of Carrboro planning staff, and North Carolina Department of Transportation staff.

**East Section:** Another meeting with the Kings Mill Morgan Creek neighborhood Association will be held on October 22 to present design ideas based on the input from neighborhood residents and community members using neighborhood streets.

For more information, please visit the project webpage:  
<https://www.townofchapelhill.org/government/departments-services/parks-and-recreation/planning-and-development/morgan-creek-trail-phase-3>

## AGENDA NOTES

3. Communications and Petitions from Commission, Council Liaisons, and Staff

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6. Tree Maintenance Program and Right of Way Responsibilities Presentation - Kevin Robinson, Senior Manager of Park Planning and Operations of the Parks and Recreation Department will share information on the Department's responsibilities for this program.

7. Liaison Reports– Receive reports from Commission members who liaise with Advisory Boards.

8. Adjourn

**FUTURE MEETING ITEMS**

1. Orange County Capital Improvement Program Projects - Orange County Parks and Recreation Division
  - ✓ Fall 2024
2. Commission Interviews
  - ✓ TBD
3. Parks and Recreation Project Expenditures – Review and Update
  - ✓ Winter 2024 – 2025
4. Green Tract Project - Status
  - ✓ Winter 2024 – 2025
5. Morgan Creek Greenway East Extension Project - Status
  - ✓ November 2024
6. Morgan Creek Greenway West Extension Project - Status
  - ✓ Winter 2024 – 2025
7. Teen Center Programs
  - ✓ Winter 2024