
Sponsor: Parks & Recreation

Meeting Date: 6/10/2025

Title: Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Commission

File Number: 2025-234

Background and Rationale:

The Parks & Recreation Commission serves as an advisory group to the Parks and Recreation Department leadership. Members of the Parks Commission serve as valuable community liaisons, and provide insights on park projects, policy, racial equity and community engagement efforts. Feedback and ideas are incorporated into development projects and help connect park staff to community. Members' familiarity with the county's parks and recreation system offers a deep and rich conversation about the direction of the department. The Parks Commission has a total of 9 seats.

There are currently five vacancies on the Parks & Recreation Commission. There was a total of seven applications, one of which was from an incumbent. On April 22, 2025, the applications were forwarded to an interview panel, which consisted of three Ramsey County commissioners. The interview panel reviewed the applications and interviews took place between May 5, 2025 and June 2, 2025.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Appoint the following individuals to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term beginning June 10, 2025, and ending June 6, 2028.
 - Jordan Nelson
 - Alison Long
 - Thomas Lemke
2. Appoint the following individuals to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term beginning June 10, 2025, and ending June 8, 2027.
 - Vanessa Agudo
 - Han Zhang

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Jebens-Singh, seconded by Commissioner McGuire.

Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

By: _____



Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County
Board