



PUBLIC NOTICE
of a
WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
of the
EVERGREEN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

President Mary McGhee | Vice President Betsy Hays | Second Vice President Rebecca Davis
Treasurer Peter Eggers | Secretary Ally Hilgefort

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on:

Monday, March 16, 2026

EPRD Board Pre-Meeting

A work session of the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Park & Recreation District (EPRD) of the County of Jefferson, State of Colorado, shall be held online via Microsoft Teams (no in-person option) at the link below, commencing at 12:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the March Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Park & Recreation District.


No motion or vote by the EPRD Board of Directors shall be considered. The public is invited to attend.

Location: Virtual via Microsoft Teams

WORK SESSION – 12:00 P.M.

Link: <https://www.evergreenrecreation.com/2026-03-16-board-meeting>

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EVERGREEN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

President Mary McGhee | Vice President Betsy Hays | Second Vice President Rebecca Davis
 Treasurer Peter Eggers | Secretary Ally Hilgefert

March 16, 2026

**At Buchanan Park Recreation Center
 32003 Ellingwood Trl, Evergreen, CO
 Hybrid Option Available via Teams:**

REGULAR MEETING – 5:00 P.M.

<https://www.evergreenrecreation.com/2026-03-16-board-meeting>

Agenda Questions: Please call Evergreen Park & Recreation District at (720) 880-1020.
 Public documents received after publication of this agenda and considered by the Board of Directors in its deliberation may be available for inspection in the Evergreen Park & Recreation District's Administrative Office during normal business hours.

Board meetings are held on alternate months at the Buchanan Park Recreation Center or Wulf Recreation Center unless otherwise noted.

	Approximate Start Times
1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL FOR REGULAR MEETING (0 min.)	5:00 P.M.
2. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE (5 min.)	5:00 P.M.
3. RESOLUTION 2026-003 (5 min.) Recognizing EPRD Staff That Provided Aid and Support at WRC during Sept 10 th Incident	5:05 P.M.
4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (15 min.) At this time, those in the audience are encouraged to address the Board on any item not already included in tonight's agenda. Board action is not taken on issues raised during Public Comment. Individuals are limited to 3 minutes. A group spokesman is limited to 10 minutes. Speakers must provide their legal names and whether they live within district boundaries.	5:10 P.M.
5. CONSENT AGENDA (0 min.) 5.1 - February 2026 Board Meeting Minutes 5.2 - Capital Project Public Communications Update	5:25 P.M.
6. DISCUSSIONS ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA (0 min.)	5:25 P.M.
7. SUBCOMMITTEE DISCUSSION (15 min.)	5:25 P.M.
8. COP BUDGET PROGRESS UPDATE (20 min.)	5:40 P.M.
9. PLAYGROUND UPDATE (10 min.)	6:00 P.M.
10. AQUATICS EXPANSION UPDATE (10 min.)	6:10 P.M.
11. PAVILION UPDATE (10 min.)	6:20 P.M.
12. GYM/FIELD HOUSE UPDATE (30 min.)	6:30 P.M.
13. 2026 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE (10 min.)	7:00 P.M.
14. OLD BUSINESS & UPDATES (5 min.) Executive Director Update	7:10 P.M.
15. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (5 min.) -- <i>Timing May Change Based on Meeting Progress</i> At this time, those in the audience are encouraged to address the Board on any item not already included in tonight's agenda. Board action is not taken on issues raised during Public Comment. Individuals are limited to 3 minutes. A group spokesman is limited to 10 minutes. Speakers must provide their legal names and whether they live within district boundaries.	7:15 P.M.
16. INITIAL DRAFT OF THE APRIL 2026 BOARD MEETING AGENDA (5 min.)	7:20 P.M.
17. ADJOURNMENT (0 min.)	7:25 P.M.

I hereby certify the above public meeting agenda was posted 24 hours prior to the noted meeting:

Madeleine Gross 3/12/26



**EVERGREEN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
February 24, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Director McGhee called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Evergreen Park & Recreation District (EPRD/District) to order at 5:02pm. Present from the Board were President Mary McGhee, Second Vice President Betsy Hays, Treasurer Peter Eggers, and Secretary Ally Hilgefert. Youth Advisory Board Members Paul Howe & Xavier Gomez were absent and excused.

Present from staff were Executive Director (ED) Cory Vander Veen, Director of Operations (DO) Brian Tucker, Director of Development and Community Engagement (DCM) Nancy Judge, Grants & Strategy Manager (GSM) Liz Cohen, Executive Manager (EM) Maddy Evans, Park Operations Manager (PO) Jarred Lilyhorn, and Lake House Coordinator (LHC) Klaire Funderburgh.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Director Hilgefert announced a new nonprofit in Evergreen, Touch Grass Colorado, with a mission to increase outdoor play among youth and prevent harm caused through online platforms. They are hosting a free kids dodgeball tournament this weekend at Wulf Recreation Center.

Director Hays highlighted that the Active4All Polar Plunge is happening this Sunday, March 1st.

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

District Resident Tracy Lester commented as a private citizen in support of Monty Estis being appointed to the EPRD Board.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 - January 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

4.2 - Capital Project Public Communications Update

4.3 - Public Art Applications

MOTION

Director Eggers moved to approve all items on the consent agenda. Director Hays seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

6. VACANT BOARD POSITION APPOINTMENT

Director Hays nominated Rebecca Davis for the vacant seat on the EPRD Board of Directors. Director McGhee noted that she supported Monty Estis for the vacant seat on the EPRD Board of Directors. Nominations closed and the appointment went to a vote.

MOTION

Director Hays moved to nominate Rebecca Davis for the vacant seat on the EPRD Board of Directors. Director Hilgefert seconded. The Board discussed interviews that occurred. Director Hays, Hilgefert, and Eggers voted in favor. Director McGhee voted in opposition. The motion passed 3 to 1.

7. APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER OATH OF OFFICE

Rebecca Davis verbally recited her oath and signed her Oath of Office.

****BREAK 5:24PM-5:33PM**** *Director Davis's Oath of Office was filed by EM Evans during the break.*

8. SEATING OF APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER

Rebecca Davis officially took her seat as a Board Member of the Evergreen Park & Recreation District.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Because former Director Rosenthal was First Vice President and Director Hays is second vice president, the Board chose to re-assign those two positions while the other position assignments will remain as is.



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

EVERGREEN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING February 24, 2026

MOTION

Director Eggers moved that Director Hays fill the position of Vice President and that Director Davis fill the position of Second Vice President. Director Hilgefert seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

10. AQUATICS EXPANSION UPDATE

ED Vander Veen provided an update on the Aquatics Expansion focused on groundwater management and drainage needs for the new pool. Designers and construction crews were given clear direction on developing a perimeter drainage and pumping plan to prevent buoyancy during scheduled pool drains. EPRD Staff are pursuing donor leads, and the project recently secured a contract price reduction. A deposit has been paid to Myrtha for the pool structure equipment. ED Vander Veen emphasized the project's efficient contractor coordination, ongoing site access and grading work, and upcoming trail detours and major excavation in the next few weeks.

11. PAVILION UPDATE

The pavilion project remains on schedule and within budget, with subcontractors secured, timber trusses in production, cost-saving roofing bids, and LED/sound quotes received; final utility work is pending. ED Vander Veen reported on community interest in engaging the El Rancho property owner and noted an MOU allowing EPRD to salvage materials at no cost before demolition, with items to be stored on EPRD property and incorporated into Phase 2 of the pavilion. He also discussed the recent El Rancho press conference and release, community feedback, the updated EPRD website, and Phase 2 renderings, and noted that staff are coordinating communications and managing public and media inquiries.

The team discussed community concerns about tree spraying and removals in the park, explaining that some trees must come down to slow pest spread and protect infrastructure, while emphasizing education through walkthroughs. Due to the high cost and low success rate of relocating trees, they prefer planting new native, drought-tolerant saplings and are exploring partnerships for sourcing young trees. Staff are coordinating permits and access with CDOT and Jefferson County.

12. OLD BUSINESS AND UPDATES

Other Buchanan Park updates touched on the outdoor game area and skatepark. Concrete games have been ordered and are expected to ship soon. Public access to this park amenity will depend on construction staging and final road/earthwork sequencing. The skatepark public meeting held on February 23rd had strong, multigenerational turnout and positive energy; staff will vet comments with the stakeholder subcommittee and finalize detailed design in the coming month. A community survey for the skatepark is available through EPRD's website and open until March 2nd.

13. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

14. INITIAL DRAFT OF THE MARCH 2026 BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Consent Agenda (February Meeting Minutes, Capital Project Public Communications Update), Subcommittee Discussion, COP Budget Update, Adventure Playground Update, Pavilion Update, Aquatics Expansion Update

15. ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Director Davis moved to adjourn the February 24, 2026 Board of Directors Meeting as of 6:34pm. Director Eggers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Madalyn Evans
Executive Manager

Evergreen Park & Recreation District Capital Project
Updates for Public Communications

Date: 3/16/26

Highlighted text in this document represents updates / changes to the website.

Buchanan Park Master Plan

The following plan was the Master Plan that was approved in the October 2025 Location & Extent Permit hearing through the Jefferson County Planning & Zoning Commission.
(Current website graphics are up-to-date)

Buchanan Park:

In response to 30 years of community support and what we learned during recent strategic planning, EPRD is now performing improvements to our 42-acre Buchanan Park and Buchanan Park Rec Center over the next five years. If you would like to make a donation to one of these projects, please do so through the Active4All Foundation, you may specify which project you would like your donation to benefit in the notes section:

[Click here to make a tax-deductible donation](#)

Proposed Features

- Infrastructure (Restrooms, Park Plaza, Gathering Spaces with Water Feature)
- Accessible Trails
- Community Pavilion / Stage
- All-Abilities Adventure Playground
- Field Improvements
- New Gym / Field House
- All-Wheels Skate Park
- Aquatics Expansion
- Outdoor Game Area (Corn hole, outdoor chess, etc.)
- Pond Recreation

Buchanan Park Improvement Updates

August 2025

- Friends Of Buchanan Park successfully raised over \$80,000 to be split between the New Inclusive Playground, the Performance Pavillion and the Skate Park.

October 2025

- Buchanan Park Location & Extent Permit Hearing – approved by Jefferson County Planning & Zoning Commission with unanimous support!



March 2026

- Buchanan Park maintenance work is underway along existing roadways, along with early grading activities relating to existing roads at the north end of the park.
- Building permits will be submitted for the Buchanan Recreation Center Aquatics Expansion and the Pavilion.
- Community engagement workshops and the public survey for the All-Wheels Skatepark are now complete. The survey received an incredible 314 responses! The project team is now moving full steam ahead with design and construction documents in preparation for breaking ground this summer.
- Two accessible playground pieces—the We-Go-Round and We-Go-Swing—have been purchased from Landscape Structures.
- In an effort to improve sustainability and resiliency in our facilities, especially due to recent emergency situations and extended power outages, we will be installing two full-size standby generators at both the Wulf and Buchanan Recreation Centers.

Funding Details

Because of your property tax contributions and the community’s support of approved ballot measure 6C in 2023, this project is now becoming a reality. We are currently entering the finish-line fundraising stage to help bring important enhancements—like community gathering spaces—to life and we’d love your help. Thank you for your continued support!

Anticipated Timeline

(current graphic is up-to-date)

Element / Phase	2025	2026	2027	2028
Planning / Permitting	■	■	■	■
Phase 1: Infrastructure		■	■	
Pavilion / Stage		■	■	
Phase 1: Adventure Playground		■	■	
Aquatics Expansion		■	■	
Field Improvements		■	■	■
Outdoor Game Area		■	■	
All-Wheels Skate Park		■	■	
Accessible Trails		■	■	■
Gym / Field House		■	■	
Phase 2: Infrastructure			■	■
Phase 2: Adventure Playground			■	■
Pond Recreation				■



Buchanan Park Rec Center Aquatics Expansion

(Current website graphic is up-to-date)

Proposed Features

- 8 Lane, 25 Yard Competition Lap Pool
- Springboard Diving Board
- Timing System
- Lifeguard / First Aid Office
- Natatorium enclosure with indoor/outdoor garage doors
- New Changing Rooms
- Mechanical Room & Storage
- ADA lifts in pool with stairs into new pool
- Deck Showers / Pool Seating
- Projects that fall under “Other Project Expenses” referenced in the Anticipated Timeline below
 - Outdoor Water Features / Community Space / Lounge Area
 - Steam room / Sauna / Cold Plunge
 - Climbing wall / Rope Swing

Projected Budget:

\$10,500,000-\$11,000,000

Anticipated Timeline

Element / Phase	2025			2026			2027			2028		
Planning / Permitting												
Natatorium Construction												
Other Project Expenses												

Anticipated Construction Timeline

Spring 2026 - Winter 2027

Expansion Anticipated Completion

Winter 2027



Pavilion / Stage

(Please update website graphic to image shown below)



Proposed Features

- Open air 2,250 SF Pavilion / Stage for music and performing arts
- House lighting package
- Ample electrical hookups for flexible audio / visual / lighting configurations

Anticipated Construction Timeline

Spring - Summer 2026

Anticipated Completion

Summer 2026



All-Wheels Skate Park

(Current graphic up-to-date)



Proposed Features

- Colored concrete / material blending with site topography
- Balance of concrete surfacing with natural landscaping

Anticipated Construction Timeline

Summer - Fall 2026

Anticipated Completion

Fall 2026

Gym / Field House

(Current website graphic is up-to-date)

Proposed Features

- ~14,000-20,000 SF Indoor Gym / Field House
- 2-3 Dividable multi-use courts (pickleball, tennis, volleyball, basketball, turf sports, etc.)
- Indoor walking track
- Restrooms / Storage

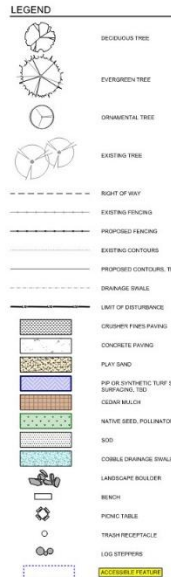


Anticipated Construction Timeline
Winter - Summer 2027

Anticipated Completion
 Spring / Summer 2027

Adventure Playground

(Current website graphic is up-to-date; please add updated graphic shown below)



ALL-ABILITIES ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
BUCHANAN PARK

Proposed Features

- Accessible ADA Surfacing (Combination of Poured-in-Place Rubber / Artificial Turf)
- Accessible Pathways
- Accessible We-Go-Round
- Accessible Embankment Slide
- Swings with ADA transfer seat
- Cairn Rock Climber
- Tots Play Structure
- Big Kids Play Structure
- Nature / Imagination Play
- Fort Building



Anticipated Construction Timeline

Spring - Summer 2027

Anticipated Completion

Phase 1 – Fall / Winter 2026

Phase 2 – Spring / Summer 2027

Outdoor Game Area

(Current website graphic is up-to-date)

Proposed Concrete Weatherproof Features

- Pétanque (or bocce, mini golf holes, etc.)
- Table Games
- Life Size Chess / Checkers
- Corn Hole
- Connect 4

Anticipated Construction Timeline

Spring - Summer 2026

Anticipated Completion

Spring / Summer 2026

