

RESOLUTION 16-01
Saint Paul Grand Round Design and Implementation Plan

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission is an appointed body established to advise the Mayor and City Council on long-range and city-wide matters related to Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The Saint Paul Grand Round Design Implementation Plan is a visionary project to continue the development of approximately 30 miles of scenic parkways connecting neighborhoods across the entire city with off-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities to better connect people to parks, nature, neighborhoods and businesses.

WHEREAS, the Grand Round is based on four guiding principles:

- Promote health, safety, and comfort of all users.
- Create a key visual element and recreation feature that places high value on neighborhoods, history, and the natural environment.
- Maximize sustainable practices.
- Designed as a contiguous system of public open space that improves quality of life and strengthens our economy.

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Grand Round project team is a multi-departmental collaboration led by the Parks and Recreation Department working with the Public Works and Planning and Economic Development Department's together with a consulting team of professionals led by Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the CITY assembled a citizen driven Design Advisory Committee (CAC) to advise the development of the Grand Round Design and Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City and its consulting firms facilitated a series of eight Design Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings from May 2015 to March 2016; in addition seventeen Pop-up meetings and four Open House events were held as well as attendance at the Como Regional Park Committee to gather public comments and recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission recommends the adoption of the Grand Round Design and Implementation Plan as the principal planning document for the implementation of this work.

Approved:

Yeas	<u>6</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>3</u>

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Attested to by:



Staff to the Parks and Recreation Commission



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