

Eastside - 06.09.2026

AGENDA/MINUTES



06:30 PM - Westcott Community Center, 826 Euclid Ave Syracuse, NY 13210

FACILITATORS: Ken Garno, Beverly Griffin, Sam Gruber

ATTENDEES: {{attendees}}

AGENDA:

- Review Ground Rules - Keep an open mind and be respectful of others. Please sign in and turn your phone to silent. Raise your hand to be recognized by a Facilitator
- Approve Meeting Minutes - [View Previous Minutes](#)
- Issues for District Representatives/City Depts./Elected Officials
- Parkside Commons Proposed Renovation Project Presentation
- Special Projects
 -  26-5ES-0016-App.pdf

The Paths We Weave is a community-built willow sculpture and workshop series in Thornden Park led by Syracuse artist Sydney Schultz. Through five free public workshops, residents will gather to learn the process of willow harvesting/cultivation (provided by ESF), preparation, weaving, sculpture, connection to the land, and contribute directly to a lasting public artwork.

- TaskForce Updates
- City Wide Update
- New Business
- Next Scheduled Meeting - {August 11th, 2026}
- Adjournment

MINUTES:

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6:35 Welcome and call to order

6:35 Introductions

6:37 Motion to approve minutes from May 2026 - Joan, Sam

6:38 Cimone Syracuse NBD

Climate action plan has been completed and will be introduced to the common council.

<https://www.syr.gov/Departments/NBD/Planning-and-Sustainability/Planning-Initiatives/Sustainable-Syracuse-Initiative>

6:40 Special Projects Application – The Paths We Weave. \$4500 Motion to approve – Ken Garno, Sam Gruber

6:55 Parkside Commons presentation – Parkside Commons West – 200 Unit Rehab. Parkside Commons East 193 Unit Demolition. Current tenants will be moved into the newly constructed units. Questions were asked and answered. Concerns were raised. Anticipate groundbreaking August 2026

City wide updates – policies and procedures are being adjusted. We will be moving special project applications to match the fiscal year instead of the calendar year. More communication on this will be coming forward soon.

Motion to meet in August – Sam Gruber – motion carried

Community updates – booths were allocated for the Westcott Fair in 7 days. There is now a waiting list.

Art trail is coming up. 18 new families came to the Westcott Community Center pantry. Neighborhood cleanup on the 13th.

Salt Springs Springfest was a success! The weather was not cooperative but it was a great time.

Aquathon is returning to Thornden Park.

Strawberry Festival at Seoul Branch Library.

Halloween Dog Walk will be on Halloween.

County has not recouped the funds from NYS for Petit Branch Library.

Council is putting together a bond to work on city parks. Amphitheater work will begin to make the amphitheater accessible

7:45 Motion to adjourn

ACTION ITEMS

