



Project Updates April 2022

On-Site Activity

Signage at key points in the project area has arrived. Anyone curious about the project will be able to use the QR code on the signs to learn more!

At the center of plans for The Pointes at Cedar is a public lake surrounded by pathways and small parklets. As spring turns to summer, you will continue to see contractors removing material for creation of the lake.

The [“What’s The Pointe?” blog](#) on the City’s [website](#) also features current information on the project.

Zoning Work Group

On April 25, 2022, the City Council adopted the text of the zoning ordinance for The Pointes at Cedar, which created the “The Pointes at Cedar District” or PCD. The PCD zoning ordinance provides the standards for the types of uses and site design that will occur in the project area. The ordinance also established the boundaries of the PCD District.

Many thanks to the individuals on the Zoning Work who helped build the ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance Work Group included a [City Council](#), [Planning Commission](#), [PARC](#) representative, and a property owner from The Pointes area. The Work Group will continue to assist with the ordinance, working now on the image gallery that will accompany the ordinance text.

Compass Committee

The Compass Committee is helping to create and guide the public spaces at the center of The Pointes. The Committee is made up of a cross-section of Monticello community members.

The Compass Committee met on April 20, 2022 to discuss opportunities and challenges in specific locations within the overall site plan. The group discussed these areas while maintaining the overarching themes that The Pointes’ public spaces should be a place for all ages, all seasons, and all senses. The group addressed the planned gateways into the site, discussing which gateways will be the most used and emphasis on visual attraction at those locations. Compass Committee members also considered whether the path surrounding the lake can accommodate both walking/running and bike riding. The group turned their focus to the on-going maintenance of the public spaces.

The Compass Committee plans to meet again on June 15, 2022 in the Monticello Community Center to focus on warm weather amenities and activities.

When Can I Participate?

Your next chance to provide ideas for spring and summer amenities at The Pointes will be on May 19, 2022 at the Monticello Farmers Market from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Watch for more details on this event on the City's social media and blog! You can also complete the survey online at: <https://arcg.is/OWO1TC0>

Board & Commission Updates

Review of the draft ordinance was tabled from the regular March Planning Commission meeting and rescheduled for the April 5 meeting to allow further staff review and completion. The full staff report and draft ordinance is available on the [Planning Commission's](#) April agenda page.

The Planning Commission discussed the draft ordinance in length, the discussion can be viewed from the agenda page through the meeting recording or the minutes of record. The Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the draft ordinance to the City Council. The City Council had the opportunity to review and discuss the draft ordinance in length at their regular scheduled meeting on April 25. The City Council voted to approve Ordinance No. 776, creating the Pointes at Cedar District (PCD).

City staff presented a full Pointes at Cedar project over to the City Council on April 25, 2022. View the presentation at [on our website](#).

General Project Updates

In April, members of staff and the consulting team were able to tour two area parks for reference on design, operations, and maintenance for The Pointes. Central Park in Maple Grove and Centennial Lakes in Edina hosted the Monticello team, provided a tour of their facilities and discussion on their activities.

Staff, along with consultants WSB and NAC will apply the information gathered as work continues to draft the master plan for the public areas of The Pointes. During an April staff/consultant meeting, progress was made in extending the public engagement calendar for feedback on the project and working through project schedule adjustments. Discussions on utility coordination throughout the project area was also discussed, including those utilities which may require relocation with closure of a portion of Dundas Road.