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Advisory Group on Community Use of Public Space Draft Initial Recommendations

Public Spaces

- An inventory of all public space that can be reserved for exclusive use should be created and mapped to be posted online.
- Information provided should include
 - Hours of public use
 - Field or court surface
 - Field or court dimensions
 - Fees (both standard and additional such as security and cleaning)
 - Recommended use (e.g. soccer, futsal, baseball, ultimate frisbee)
 - Responsible Agency
 - ANC, Ward, and Civic Associations in the immediate area

DCPS

- DCPS's paper based reservation system should be replaced with an online reservation system for its available spaces and fields that can be reserved for exclusive use similar to the online systems of DPR and DC Public Library.
- DCPS should partner with DPR to explore the feasibility of utilizing the infrastructure of DPR's current online system to take advantage of cost and process efficiencies.
- DCPS should consider school staff other than the principal to review and approve available space reservation requests.
- o Reservation requests should be answered within 20 business days of request receipt.

DPR

 DPR should partner with DCPS to determine the feasibility of utilizing their current online system infrastructure to accommodate reservations of available DCPS spaces and fields that can be reserved for exclusive use.

Transparency

- o Make public the organizations that reserve public space to increase transparency of users
- Clarify prioritization hierarchy for public space reservations and publish the hierarchy more prominently for public use