

# CapitolRiver Council Suggestion Form

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## DIRECTIONS:

- Complete the suggestion form to the best of your ability. The CRC Executive Director and/or the Board of Directors 'Secretary are happy to assist you.  
Contact information:
  - a. Jon Fure, Executive Director [office@capitolrivercouncil.org](mailto:office@capitolrivercouncil.org) 651-707-7757
  - b. Judy Miller, Secretary [jmkmam@comcast.net](mailto:jmkmam@comcast.net), 651-276-1826
- Submit the application to the CRC Executive Director
- The CRC Officers meet on the second Friday of each month. The Executive Director will put your suggestion on the next officer's meeting agenda. The officers will review the application and respond to you within three working days

## YOUR SUGGESTION

**Date: January 17, 2022**

**Person/s Completing the application & contact information (phone, email):**

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<b>Suggestion</b>	That the St. Paul City Council reinstate the City's Park Patrol Program. The first step would be reinstatement through a pilot program in District 17.
<b>Purpose of the suggestion (what do you want to see accomplished?)</b>	This Patrol would provide official park-focused personnel who would enforce existing park rules and regulations ensuring safe and ecologically sound parks that are available to be enjoyed by all. The Patrol would free St. Paul Police officers for other duties.
<b>How is this group consistent with the CRC's purpose &amp; values including equity and accessibility (see below)?</b>	The City of Saint Paul adopted Rules and Regulations (pursuant to Section 170.06 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code) to ensure all persons can participate in park activities in a safe and enjoyable environment. These rules also provide for the ongoing enjoyment and protection of the City's natural resources. A pilot park safety program would be welcomed by many as a partial solution to help our overextended police department and enforce these existing park regulations through education and enforcement activities.

<b>Possible Resources Required</b> (staff, volunteer, mailing, cash or donated item/s, etc.).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development of the pilot program proposal requires Capitol River Council (CRC) and Volunteer personnel: A) to complete pre-proposal development tasks such as historical city park patrol research, public electronic surveying, public park listening sessions, liaison communications, etc.; B) for website updating, report and proposal writing, etc.; and C) to secure funding resources.</li> <li>2. A CRC Board member (<b>to be named</b>) to champion the Park Patrol Pilot Program project.</li> <li>3. St. Paul City Council member, Rebecca Noecker, has expressed her interest to serve as champion of the Park Patrol Pilot Program project.</li> </ol>
<b>Proposed Timeline</b>	<p>February 2022—Action by CRC Board to recommend development of the Park Patrol Pilot Program Project (P5) proposal.</p> <p>June 2022—Completion of the P5 proposal.</p> <p>To Be Determined—Implementation of the pilot program.</p>
<b>How would the outcome of this suggestion contribute to the CapitolRiver District</b>	Reinforce CRC's mission statement to support District 17 with a safe, healthy and vibrant neighborhood/urban park system
<b>Any other information you would like the CRC to consider.</b>	The proposal's implementation could be part of the Mayor's Safe Cities Campaign.

***CapitolRiver Council***, an official advisory group to the City Council, represents and works in partnership with all District 17 stakeholders to act on urban planning and community building efforts as part of a shared vision ***to support sustainable, safe, healthy, and vibrant neighborhoods.***