

A Message from the Mayor

I thought this would be a good time to look at the progress the Parks and Recreation Department has made over the last few years. As a new administration came into office (elected officials and city administrator in 2022) one of the primary issues was the parks, specifically the City needed to hire it's first-ever Parks and Recreation Director and what to do now that the restoration of the Platte Landing Park wetlands had failed. These were important issues because they were important issues to the community.

Hiring a Parks Director was a commitment the City had made in 2019 as a part of the Parks Sales Tax, but the City had yet to do it. So, the City administration, with the Board of Aldermen and CLARB (parks board), set about interviewing potential candidates. This process led to hiring a young, high-energy, innovative person who had several years of parks administration, and glowing references, with the cities of Excelsior Springs and Smithville: Brittanie Propes. Once hired, Brittanie, along with the CLARB and City staff, set about getting things done. Over the last four years that has been a lot.

Principal Projects

- The Wetlands – the City pressed upon the US Corps of Engineers that the original wetlands project had not been done properly. After some negotiating, and showing them the errors that had been made, the Corps agreed to redo the wetland restoration and pay for the work. This time, rather than contracting the work out, the Corps assigned it to its top in-house team. They were very cooperative with the City and did an excellent job. The wetlands are now a major park feature attracting wildlife and will continue to evolve into something special.
- Park Master Plan Update – the original park master plan had been done in 2016, but there were differences of opinion on what the priorities were and it was not serving as a practical guide for the development of our parks. So the City embarked on an update to the plan. An initial emphasis, which all parties agreed on, was that we need a practical guide that was doable with the resources that were available. After countless public meetings and discussions with the public, and with the guidance of the CLARB and the Board of Aldermen, last year the City adopted the plan. It is now the guide for the staff, the CLARB, and the Board of Aldermen.

- A New Farmer's Market – As we started to work on our parks and recreation programs a new farmer's market was not on the priority list; and then in the summer of 2022 two trucks within a month of each other crashed into and destroyed our over 30-year-old farmer's market. So all of a sudden there was another parks priority, replace our farmer's market.

The public and the farmers using the market wanted to maintain the character of the old market, but wanted it bigger and more attractive. With the cooperation of the Farmer's Market Association and a partnership with the County the City was able to inaugurate a new Farmer's Market last year with parking improvements, and landscaping coming soon.

Park Improvements

- Refurbished Sullivan Nature Sanctuary – “swamp” to woodland nature walk
- Refurbished Pocket Park – the hub of downtown
- Gateway Park – a new park at the entrance to the Pinecrest neighborhood on Highway 9
- Refurbished Watkins Park – an important amenity for East St.
- Rush Creek pedestrian bridge – upgrading an important trail and widening the Main St. bridge
- Brush Creek Trail and Thousand Oaks Trail – the County built the trails and the City maintains them
- More gardens and wild flowers, No Mow Zones – adding beauty and nature to the parks
- Woodland planting in NW corner of PLP plus increase emphasis on tree planting – in honor of our country's 250th birthday the City, in partnership with a number of organizations, planted over 300 trees in Platte Landing Park and throughout the park system
- Train Depot Restoration – in partnership with White Farmhouse Flowers restored the old train depot
- Veterans Memorial – partnership with the Parkville Veterans Committee created the Parkville Veterans Memorial around the old fountain, with additional improvements coming.
- Small things – park benches along Platte Landing Park trails, new trash cans, new drinking fountains (Baxter, my dog, is most appreciative), striping the parking lots, etc.



Recreation and Activities

In hiring a new Parks and Recreation Director, the Board of Aldermen and CLARB wanted to increase activity in the parks, some sponsored by the City and some by private organizations using our parks. There is nothing better than seeing the parks used by a wide range of people for a wide range of activities!

- New Online Registration System – making it easier to reserve park facilities and bring in events such as the many runs, BeerFest, Highland Scottish Games, Banneker Jazz Festival and a host of other events in addition to using the parks for youth sports practice
- More City sponsored events such as the KC Symphony, Rock the Park, pickleball leagues, movies in the park, trail rides, events around the dog park and many others
- July is Parks and Recreation month and the City celebrates by hosting summer classes from yoga to tai chi to nature classes to story time – watch for the July calendar

More to Come

Going forward the Parks and Recreation Master Plan is our guide. Some of the major projects include:

- Accessible Playground and Parking Lot
- English Landing Park trail improvements
- A new western park
- Trail and accessibility improvements in English Landing Park
- New park signage

It Takes a Village

It goes without saying that the City cannot do this alone. First and foremost are the residents of Parkville that supported the Park Sales Tax and volunteer throughout our parks. Also this agenda could not be accomplished without the CLARB (Community Land and Recreation Board) who are both advocates and advisors to the Board of Aldermen. And there are many, many partnerships, which our Parks and Recreation Director has developed over the last four years. They include:



- Platte County – activities, trails, funds
- US Corps of Engineers - wetlands
- Mo Dept of Conservation – wetlands, nature sanctuaries
- Heartland Tree Alliance – tree planting, tree expertise
- Deep Roots – tree expertise
- KC Symphony - activities
- Rotary - gardens
- By-the-Blade – landscaping donations
- MSPA - activities
- Mid-Continent Library – story time
- Friends of the Nature Sanctuary & Backyard Bird Center
- Scout organizations – projects
- School of Rock – concerts
- Creekside – movie nights

The City has done a lot over the last four years to improve our parks, and we have done it with just eight staff members, two of them part time. That speaks volumes about how well our Parks and Recreation Department is run. We are fortunate to have great staff, strong leadership, and a department that continues to grow in both service and organizational strength. Leadership has done an outstanding job spearheading that development, building a strong foundation for the department's continued success. I also want to recognize the excellent work of our full-time Parks and Recreation staff members, whose dedication and professionalism are evident throughout our parks system every day. These accomplishments are also made possible through the support and guidance of the CLARB, the Board of Aldermen, and the public.

Onward. Summer is here! And there will be plenty to do in and around Parkville.

The metro area will host the World Cup and we anticipate seeing a lot of international visitors in the Northland. The American Legion will be hosting a series of World Cup events and watch parties. They will be especially focused on welcoming visitors from the Netherlands and their supporters. That is because the Current (Riverside) is hosting the Netherlands's base camp during June and July.

The American Legion is expecting to see Orange Man (orange is the team's colors) and their fan double-decker bus. Many of our restaurants will be running special events targeted at the World Cup, such as Parker Hollow and the Craic.



The World Cup is a regional event. Besides the six World Cup games being played here in KC there will also be a Fan Fest held at the WWI memorial. You will need tickets to get in, but you can reserve them online and they are free. More information can be found on the [KC26 World Cup site](#) or [FIFA Fan Festival Schedule](#).

Events will include a watch party on July 3rd at the new Morton's Amphitheater in Riverside. It is a free event and a great opportunity to take a look at the new amphitheater. It's quite the facility. Then on July 4th, Parkville will host a good, old fashioned, small town, all-American 4th of July. A parade, food, skydivers, events, fireworks and much more.

But the summer is not just about the World Cup. Parkville Parks and Recreation, the Main Street Parkville Association (MSPA), and Creekside will host a full summer of concerts, movies, runs, events, classes. [Check out the combined Parkville Summer Fun Calendar - below and online.](#)

Also in July the Parkville Parks and Recreation Department hosts a full slate of classes, demonstrations and other activities, especially good for kids. The July calendar will be coming out shortly.

One last note on summer events. Two local historic sites are having significant events this summer. On June 6, from 5-9 at English Landing Park the Banneker School Foundation will host their 3rd annual Jazz Festival. It's free, but donations would be welcome.

Then, on Saturday, June 27th at 1 pm the Washington Chapel CME Church will have its Grand Reopening Service open to all. They have done a wonderful job of restoring the old chapel with volunteers from throughout the community pitching in.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean".

Dean Katerndahl
Mayor, City of Parkville

Parkville SUMMER FUN

June 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1 Story Time-ELP-10-11am	2	3 Yoga-Creekside Infield-6pm	4 Outdoor Cooking-Parma Woods-6-8pm	5	6 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Bancker Jazz Fest-ELP-5-9pm Crusie to Creekside-Infield-4:30-8:30pm	7
8 Story Time-ELP-10-11am	9	10	11	12	13 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Perfect Pitch Concert: Vinyl Revival-Infield-7pm	14 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-5-8pm
15 Story Time-ELP-10-11am	16 KC Symphony-ELP-6pm KC World Cup Game-Argentina v Algeria-8pm	17 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm Yoga-Creekside Infield-6pm	18 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-6:30-8:30pm	19 Rock the Park-ELP-6-7pm	20 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Scottish Heavy Events-PLP am/pm Welcome Summer & Dads-Dntn-All Day KC World Cup Game-Ecuador v Curacao-7pm	21 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-5-8pm Yoga-ELP-10-11am, 6-7pm
22 Story Time-ELP-10-11am	23	24 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm	25 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-6:30-8:30pm KC World Cup Game-Tunisia v Netherlands-6pm	26 Final Friday-Music & Food-Dntn-All Evening	27 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Perfect Pitch Concert: Montagel-Infield-7pm KC World Cup Game-Algeria v Austrian-9pm	28 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-5-8pm
29 Story Time-ELP-10-11am	30					

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World Cup

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World Cup-Arrowhead Stadium

Parkville SUMMER FUN

July 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm Yoga-Creekside Infield-6pm	2 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-6:30-8:30pm	3 Morton Amphitheater Open House & Watch Party-Riverside-10am-8pm-Free KC World Cup Game-Round of 32-8:30pm-	4 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm 4th of July Parade-Main St-10-11 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION Dntn-All Day	5 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-5-8pm
6	7	8 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm	9 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-6:30-8:30pm	10	11 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Park & Rec Movie:Zootopia-Creekside Infield-7pm KC World Cup Game-Quarterfinal-8pm	12 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-5-8pm
13	14	15 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm Yoga-Creekside Infield-6pm	16 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-6:30-8:30pm	17 Rock the Park-ELP-6-7pm	18 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm	19 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-5-8pm
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27	28	29 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm	30 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-6:30-8:30pm	31 Final Friday-Music & Food-Dntn-All Evening		

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August 2026

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					1 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Crusie to Creekside-Infield-4:30-8:30pm	2
3	4	5 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm Yoga-Creekside Infield-6pm	6	7	8 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Perfect Pitch Concert: Cherry Bomb-Infield-7pm	9
10	11	12 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm	13	14	15 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm	16 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-3-6pm Creekside Fall Frenzy-Infield
17	18	19 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm Yoga-Creekside Infield-6pm	20	21	22 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm Parkville Days Parade-Main St-10-11am Perfect Pitch Concert: Harvey Bros-Infield-7pm Parkville Days-3 Day Festival-Dntn/Main Street-All Day	23
24 31	25	26 Farmers Market-Dntn-12-4pm	27	28 Final Friday-Music & Food-Dntn-All Evening	29 Farmers Market-Dntn-7am-12pm	30 Adult Pickleball League-ELP-3-6pm

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Juneteenth Jazz and Folk Festival

Saturday, June 6, 2026
5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
English Landing Park
Parkville, Missouri



Returning
Vanessa Thomas Cote

Free Admission (Donations Suggested)
BYOC (Bring Your Own Chair)
Benefitting the Banlieker School Foundation
RAIN OR SHINE

Rotary



WASHINGTON CHAPEL CME CHURCH

Grand Reopening SERVICE



Theme: Honoring our heritage, while embracing our future in God's House, designed for ALL people!
Haggai 2:9, TPT
(The Passion Translation)

Rev. Nicky Wright, Pastor

June 27, 2026
1:00 pm.
1137 West St. - Parkville, MO - 64152

Parkville Pulse

June 2026



America's 250th Birthday

On Friday, May 8th more than 120 friends, family, supporters, and members of Parkville's veteran community and military gathered at City Hall. They were there to celebrate America's 250th birthday, open Parkville's military history exhibit, and honor Parkville's veterans.

The event featured historical reenactments from the Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution, singing of the National Anthem and God Bless America by the Park Hill High School Choir, a veteran's appreciation by Jim McCall, and military vehicles on display from the National Guard and local veterans.



Flooding Response

In late April, thunderstorms moved through Parkville, dropping approximately two inches of rain over a short period of time. This created localized flash flooding as stormwater moved through the City's drainage system. The low water crossing at 6th Street and Crooked Road, along with the entrance to the City's wastewater treatment plant, were overtopped by water and temporarily closed until conditions were safe for travel.

At the Elm Street culvert (pictured to the right), the force of the water caused a portion of an older stone headwall to break away and fall into the creek channel.



Elm St. is reduced to one lane due to stormwater damage

On Monday, April 27, Street crews reported at 5 a.m. to begin clearing downed trees, and debris from blocked storm pipes. The Parkville Special Road District also assisted City crews by relocating concrete barriers to Elm St. near the damaged wall to help maintain safe travel conditions for motorists. While the structure remains safe for vehicular use, repairs will be necessary to restore the damaged barrier wall.



The new stormwater improvements on Crooked Rd in action

Until repairs are completed, the crossing will be reduced to a single lane and motorists are encouraged to use caution when traveling through the area.

On Crooked Rd, the recently completed stormwater improvements did their job and kept the water off the roadway.

PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES

April Photo of the Month



The Friends of Parkville Nature Sanctuary selected Tim Verner as the April Photo of the Month winner for his photo of a young raccoon at the sanctuary. The photo highlights the wildlife, natural beauty, and unexpected moments visitors can experience along the trails.

Tim's winning photo will soon be displayed at Parkville City Hall, Backyard Bird Center, Parkville Wine House, and White Farmhouse Florals and Gifts.

Congratulations to Tim, and thank you to the Friends of Parkville Nature Sanctuary for continuing to showcase the sanctuary and the community members who help capture its beauty.

Stream Team Monitoring at Parkville Nature Sanctuary

On May 1st, Parkville Parks and Recreation hosted a Stream Team monitoring event at White Alloe Creek in the Parkville Nature Sanctuary.

Park University biology students, led by Dr. Jeff Kimmons, worked alongside Nature Sanctuary volunteers and Parks staff to complete the monitoring. This partnership takes place several times throughout the year and provides valuable hands-on learning opportunities for Park University students while supporting the ongoing care and stewardship of one of Parkville's most important natural resources.

The Missouri Stream Team program helps communities monitor and protect local waterways through education, volunteer engagement, and data collection. Efforts like this help track the health of White Alloe Creek over time, identify potential concerns, and support broader conservation efforts within the watershed.

Parkville Parks and Recreation appreciates the continued partnership with Park University, Dr. Kimmons, the participating students, and Nature Sanctuary volunteers. Their work helps strengthen environmental stewardship in Parkville while connecting students and community members directly to the protection of local streams and natural areas.



PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES

Eagle Scout Project Completed at Parkville Nature Sanctuary



On Saturday, May 2, Weston Smith completed an Eagle Scout project at the Parkville Nature Sanctuary addressing an area of trail experiencing flooding, erosion and muddy conditions.

The project included the installation of drainage pipes, telephone poles and gravel to improve drainage, reduce erosion and create a safer and more accessible trail experience for visitors, particularly after wet weather.

As part of the Parks and Recreation process, Eagle Scout project proposals are presented to CLARB for review before work begins. This step gives scouts the opportunity to present their project at a public meeting, explain the purpose and community benefit of their work and involve the community in the project before implementation. Once reviewed, scouts coordinate with Parks staff to ensure the project is completed appropriately and supports the long-term needs of the park system.

Wayne Frazier, Assistant Director of Parkville Nature Sanctuary, worked with Weston throughout the process to help coordinate and complete the project. The work required planning, coordination, problem-solving and hands-on leadership from Weston and the volunteers who assisted him.



Weston shared that he chose the Parkville Nature Sanctuary because it is an important community space and he wanted to help improve and preserve it.

He also noted that the project helped him grow as a leader by requiring him to plan, communicate clearly, guide others, and adapt to challenges.

Trees Planted at Platte Landing Park

The Parks & Recreation Department partnered with Bridging the Gap and its Heartland Tree Alliance program to plant 50 new trees at Platte Landing Park. The effort was arranged by Parks and Recreation Team, who helped bring the additional trees to the park for this planting project.

The trees were planted in the park's new forested area, supporting the City's ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship, native landscaping, and long-term park sustainability. Many of the trees were ordered from Forrest Keeling Nursery to help ensure the planting remained native and well-suited for the site. Approximately 40 of the 50 trees were smaller at the time of planting, averaging around a 7-gallon container size.



While smaller trees may take more time to make a visual impact, they often establish more successfully and can grow into healthier, stronger trees over time.



This project was made possible through the support of Bridging The Gap, Heartland Tree Alliance, and a strong group of volunteers who gave their time to improve a public park space. In addition to planting the new trees, volunteers also assisted with additional park stewardship work, including mulching existing trees. The Department also thanks Parks Superintendent Travis Phelan for overseeing and assisting with the planting throughout the day.

The Parks & Recreation Department appreciates the partnership and volunteer support that made this project possible. As these trees grow, they will provide shade, habitat, natural beauty, and environmental benefits for Platte Landing Park and the community for years to come.



PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES

Last month, we recognized Arbor Day with a ceremonial proclamation reading and tree planting in Platte Landing Park.

This year's Arbor Day recognition served as a reminder that Parkville's commitment to urban forestry is both long-standing and ongoing. While the City has been investing in trees, tree care, and environmental stewardship for decades, each Arbor Day is also an opportunity to continue that work for future generations.



The ceremonial reading of the Arbor Day proclamation is one of the requirements for maintaining the City's Tree City USA status. Tree City USA communities are recognized for meeting four standards: having a tree care ordinance, investing at least \$2 per capita in urban forestry, maintaining a tree board or department and holding an annual Arbor Day observance.

As of 2026, Missouri has more than 100 Tree City USA communities committed to urban forestry. Parkville is among the state's longest-standing recognized communities, celebrating its 36th year as a Tree City USA community in 2026.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

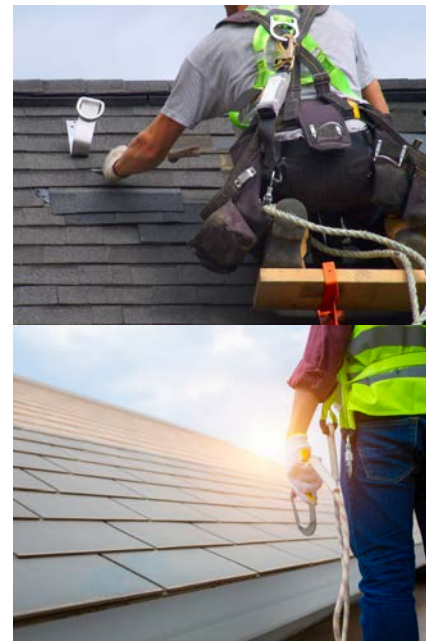


Raise - and permit - the Roof!

The Community Development Department has been issuing a record number of Roofing/Re-Roofing Building Permits!

Following the severe hailstorm that impacted the Parkville area on the evening of March 10, 2026, the Community Development Department for the City of Parkville has experienced a significant increase in building permit activity related to roofing/re-roofing work. Kudos to our permit technician, Clara Rose, for handling the majority of the additional permit applications.

As of June 1st, the city has received and processed a total of 446 building permits — 222 from the month of April and 140 from the month of May. Most of these permits are specific to roofing/re-roofing work. For context, for the entire year of 2025, the Community Development Department approved a total number of 259 building permits.



Applications are NOW Open for 2026 Citizens' Academy



The Parkville Citizens' Academy is a free, seven-week program designed to provide an opportunity for Parkville residents and/or Parkville business owners, 18 years and older, to engage and learn more about the role the City plays in their everyday lives. The specialized course schedule focuses on City Government processes and how residents can impact the decisions made

within each department. The goal is that residents will come away with a better understanding of how the City works, build relationships with other leaders in the community and feel better informed as a citizen. The Academy sessions will be held on Thursdays, 6-8:30 p.m., July 30-September 15 with graduation at the Tuesday, September 15 Board of Aldermen meeting. For more specific information and to access the application visit our website.

UPCOMING EVENTS



CITIZEN EDUCATION Workshops



Platte Co Assessor Marcus Farr & Carrie Haskey
Sales Validation & Education Coordinator

Available to help answer any questions you might have!

Please be our guest at the Mid-Continent Public Library at these locations and dates:

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm


 June 17th - Platte City
 July 15th - Green Hills
 Aug 18th - Dearborn
 Aug 19th - Parkville



816-858-1256 email: assessor.edu@co.platte.mo.us
www.co.platte.mo.us/assessor



STORY TIME IN THE PARK

May 4	June 8
May 11	June 15
May 18	June 22
June 4	June 29

Join us for a story and activity led by Mid-Continent Public Library Parkville.
 10am at English Landing Park East Shelter




WORKING FOR THE PUBLIC

June Recycling Events

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

Saturday, June 6

9 a.m. - Noon

Dog Park Parking Lot



Paper Shredding

Saturday, June 6

9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Friends Shelter Parking Lot

**Parkville residents only*

**Important reminder from the
Parkville Police Department:**

*Don't be a victim. Remember to
"Look, Light & Lock!" and remove
valuables from unattended vehicles.*

**Emergency Dial 9-1-1**

If you see something, say something!

LOOK*For suspicious activity and report it immediately***LIGHT***Up the exterior of your home***LOCK!***Your vehicle doors at all times*

CREEKSIDE EVENTS

Wellness Wednesdays



Stretch, strengthen, and reset – Wellness Wednesdays are back! Meet us in the Creekside Infield on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from May through September for FREE yoga, pilates and MORE! All levels are welcome, so whether you're a professional or just getting started, you're invited! Grab your mat, water bottle + a friend and make your Wednesdays a little more well-balanced.

Summer Concert Series



Select Saturdays at 7:00pm



For more information, visit Creekside's info page.

MAIN STREET PARKVILLE UPDATES



Typo's Bookstore opened in Downtown Parkville May 30!



Park University Men's Volleyball Wins National Championship

Parkville had the opportunity to celebrate a historic achievement this week as Park University recognized its Men's Volleyball team for winning the NAIA Men's Volleyball National Championship. The Pirates completed a perfect undefeated season, finishing 35-0 and making history for the program and the university.

A Pirate Rally was held on campus last week to honor the student-athletes, coaches, and staff who contributed to this outstanding season. Mayor Katerndahl attended and shared remarks recognizing the team's accomplishment and the pride it brings to the Parkville community.



As Parkville's Hometown U, Park University continues to be an important part of our city's identity. This championship is a wonderful reminder of the talent, dedication, and community spirit that exists right here in our community. Congratulations to the Pirates on an incredible season and a well-deserved national title. The team also received a proclamation from the city on May 5th, marking "Park Sports Recognition Day."



A Message from the Mayor - Public Safety Technology & Community Trust



As Mayor of the City of Parkville, I want to provide our residents with information regarding the City's use of Flock Safety technology and explain why this tool has become an important resource for our Police Department in protecting our community.

First and foremost, this was not a decision entered into lightly.

Our Police Chief, Captain, and Detective Sergeant collectively bring over 100 years of law enforcement experience to Parkville. Before recommending this technology, they conducted extensive research into its capabilities, safety standards, privacy protections, and accountability measures. Ensuring both community safety and individual privacy remained paramount throughout the evaluation process.

Flock Safety technology is designed to assist law enforcement during active incidents and criminal investigations by providing investigative leads related to reported events. The system helps officers more quickly identify vehicles connected to criminal activity, locate suspect vehicles during urgent situations, and develop information that can assist in resolving crimes that have already occurred.

Importantly, the technology is not intended for random surveillance or monitoring of residents' daily activities. Rather, it serves as an investigative tool that helps law enforcement respond more effectively when criminal activity has been reported.

Across the country, communities are increasingly asking important questions about how public safety technology is used and what safeguards are in place. Those are appropriate questions, and Parkville asked them as well.

Flock Safety has developed numerous built-in accountability and compliance measures that support transparency and responsible use. These include audit and review tools, policy-based access controls, and oversight resources that help ensure the system is used appropriately and consistently with departmental policies and legal standards.

Our Police Department carefully reviewed these standards and protections as part of its evaluation process. The City's leadership believes that maintaining public trust requires both effective public safety tools and clear accountability regarding how those tools are utilized.



Public Safety Technology & Community Trust

Public safety remains one of the City's highest responsibilities. Technologies such as Flock Safety provide our officers with additional resources to help protect residents, support investigations, and respond to incidents more efficiently while maintaining a strong commitment to privacy, oversight, and responsible use.

We appreciate the community's engagement and welcome respectful dialogue as we continue working to keep Parkville a safe and vibrant community for all.

Dean Katerndahl
Mayor, City of Parkville

Flock Camera FAQ

How is Flock using the data collected from its cameras? Are they selling personal data for profit

- Flock Safety states that it does not sell, share, or monetize license plate data or personal footage captured by its cameras, according to its policy and CEO.
- The company maintains that customers (law enforcement, HOAs, businesses) retain 100% ownership, and data is deleted after a default 30-day period.

Can the federal government see Parkville's Flock camera data?

- No federal agency has direct access to Parkville's Flock camera data.
- Parkville controls its own Flock camera data. A federal agency would have to formally request information from Parkville Police, and Parkville would review that request before deciding whether any data could be shared.

Does Parkville have an agreement that lets federal agencies access our Flock data?

- No. Parkville does not have a partnership or agreement that allows federal agencies to directly access our Flock camera data. Any request would have to come directly to Parkville Police. To date, Parkville has not received such a request.

Does Parkville have partnerships with local and state agencies to access our Flock camera data?

- Yes - local and state agencies within 200 miles are able to access Parkville camera data through existing agreements. This data can only be accessed as part of an active investigation.



Flock Camera FAQ – CONTINUED

What are the consequences that exist for IF / WHEN someone in law enforcement misuses the system?

- Consequences for law enforcement misuse of the Flock Safety camera system range from internal discipline and termination to criminal charges (such as felony or misdemeanor misconduct in office) and potential civil lawsuits for privacy violations. Examples include officers being charged for tracking romantic partners, with potential penalties including imprisonment and fines.
- Specific consequences of misuse - RSMO 576.050 - Misuse of Official Information:
 - Criminal Charges: Officers have faced charges of "attempted misconduct in public office" for using the database to track individuals for personal reasons. In some jurisdictions, such misuse can lead to convictions resulting in, for instance, up to three and a half years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.
 - Termination and Internal Discipline: Misuse often results in termination or forced resignation.
 - Contractual and Legal Penalties: Some jurisdictions have imposed contractual penalties on Flock itself, such as \$22,000 to \$70,000 per incident of "unauthorized disclosure or access".
 - Administrative Actions: Departments are implementing stricter policies, including auditing user searches and conducting monthly audits to ensure compliance.
 - Fourth Amendment Violations: Misuse of Flock cameras—which track vehicle location, time, and direction—can lead to lawsuits for violating citizens' reasonable expectations of privacy

Flock has a website dedicated to information about their system. [You can read everything they have here.](#)