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Date: July 28, 2022

To: Public Infrastructure Committee

From: Brock Wetenkamp, Parks Planner

Re: Citizen Request: Washington Park Metro Jam Monument

The City of Manitowoc Parks and Recreation Division is requesting PI Committees recommendation for acceptance of a monument donation to Washington Park. The monument would commemorate Tom Chermak and Bob Mittnacht who have organized Metro Jam which has been held at Washington Park for over 40 years. Metro Jam is an annual 2-Day Music Festival bringing national, regional, and local acts to Washington Park free of charge with concession sales going toward local non-profits.

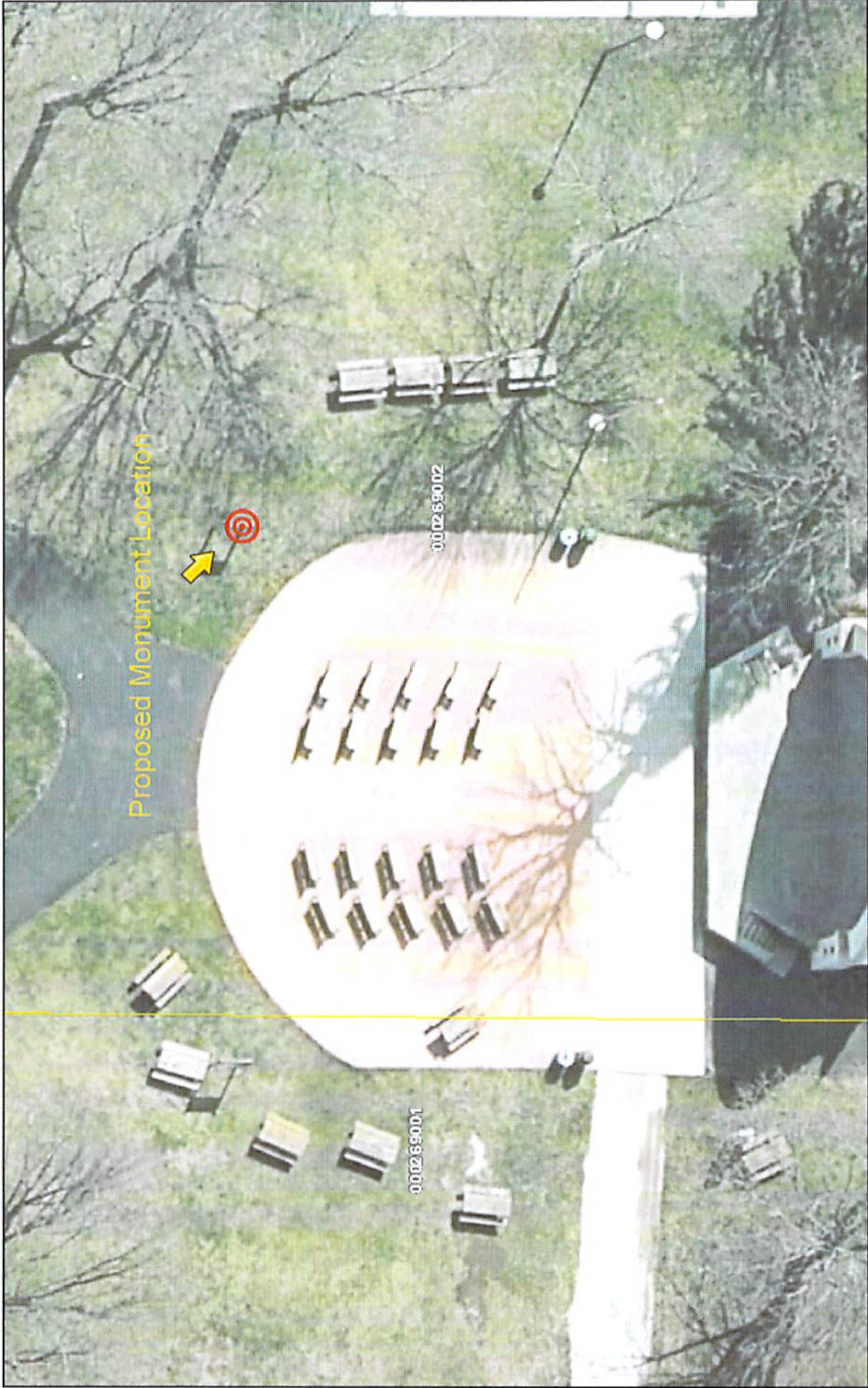
The stone will be approximately 48" wide by 48" tall by 21" deep. The upper 1/3 of the stone would be beveled and the plaque affixed to the beveled area.

Acceptable location would be Northeast of the seating area near the bandshell. The monument would replace a Park Rules sign which would be moved to a new location.

See attached email from Mark Nickels and attached site map with proposed location for monument.

The Parks Division supports this donation and is looking for Committee's recommendation on acceptance of this donation.

# City of Manitowoc



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**From:** Mark Nickels <trilogy1959@att.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 30, 2022 1:52 PM  
**To:** Brock Wetenkamp  
**Subject:** Re: External: Fw: meeting - plaque at Washington Park

Does this cover all that you need?

For over 40 years Tom Chermak & Bob Mitnacht have organized Metrojam - a free concert that has brought a wide variety of music to the lakeshore area. Throughout these many years they have successfully marketed this event so that it continues to this day to be a free event. This has also allowed many local organizations the opportunity to utilize this event as a fundraiser for their charitable contributions to our community.

We believe that such dedication to community service deserves to be recognized in a substantial way. We propose to erect a stone marker in Washington Park. On this marker will be a bronze plaque telling the story of how Metrojam came to be through the vision of Tom & Bob and that the community recognizes their dedication to this event and to the community.

The stone will be approximately 48" wide, 48" tall and 21" deep. The upper 1/3 will be beveled and the plaque will be affixed to this area. The Metrojam logo will be engraved below the beveled area.

I do have a drawing that can provide a better visual of the shape of the stone.

I went to Valders Stone this morning and received a quote. I also stopped in to Zabel Monuments to get a quote but it will take about a week to get it.

Thanks,  
Mark

Mark Nickels

On Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 09:58:32 AM CDT, Brock Wetenkamp <bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org> wrote:

Hey Mark,

Would you be able to send me an email with a description of the donation and a nice little write up for the reasons sometime today or early tomorrow. I will be able to get it on the Public Infrastructure Committee Meeting July 6<sup>th</sup>.



Brock Wetenkamp | City of Manitowoc

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**From:** Mark Nickels <trilogy1959@att.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 29, 2022 11:16 AM  
**To:** Brock Wetenkamp <bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org>  
**Subject:** Re: External: Fw: meeting - plaque at Washington Park

Sounds good - meet you near the stage.

On Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 03:46:31 PM CDT, Brock Wetenkamp <[bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org](mailto:bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org)> wrote:

Hey Mark!!

Sorry for not responding sooner! Hectic!

What about tomorrow at 1:00 PM?? Meet at Washington Park?



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**From:** Mark Nickels <[trilogy1959@att.net](mailto:trilogy1959@att.net)>  
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**To:** Brock Wetenkamp <[bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org](mailto:bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org)>  
**Subject:** External: Fw: meeting - plaque at Washington Park

Brock,

I am available most anytime and any day for a meeting.

Thanks,

Mark

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** Sandy Ronski <[sronski@manitowoc.org](mailto:sronski@manitowoc.org)>  
**To:** 'trilogy1959@att.net' <[trilogy1959@att.net](mailto:trilogy1959@att.net)>  
**Cc:** Brock Wetenkamp <[bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org](mailto:bwetenkamp@manitowoc.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 23, 2022, 10:37:52 AM CDT  
**Subject:** FW: meeting - plaque at Washington Park

Thank you for your interest in Washington Park. I'm forwarding your e-mail to the Parks Planner, Brock Wetenkamp.

Please be aware that we do offer the following types of memorials:

- [Memorial Tree Donations](#) – with options for different types of engraved bricks
- [Memorial Benches](#) – includes an engraved plaque.

Click on the links above for more information.

If you have any additional questions, please e-mail me or call the Parks Office at (920) 686-3580 weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

## Sandy Ronski

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- Downloading the City of Manitowoc app from the App Store or Google Play, clicking on the Alert Center and subscribing to any number of alert types.



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**From:** Mark Nickels <[trilogy1959@att.net](mailto:trilogy1959@att.net)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 23, 2022 9:48 AM  
**To:** ParksAdmin <[parksadmin@manitowoc.org](mailto:parksadmin@manitowoc.org)>  
**Subject:** External: meeting

Curt,

I represent a group that would like to honor a member of our community with a plaque to be placed in Washington Park. I would like to meet with someone from the city to discuss this idea and find out from the city what rules, ordinances, concerns etc... that we need to be aware of. While I am not 100% sure that you are the right person to start with I figured that even if you weren't that you would be able to direct me to the correct person.

Thanks,

Mark Nickels

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