Subject: [EXTERNAL] Letter of Support for Revised Design for the Restoration of the City Park Bandstand
Sent: 9/3/2026, 5:54:24 PM
From: [redacted]
To: Landmark - Community Planning and Development
Attachments: City Park Bandstand Letter of Support.pdf

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Dear Members of the Landmark Preservation Commission,

The Denver Park Trust, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and the philanthropic partner for Denver Parks and Recreation, would like to submit the attached letter of support for the revised design for the restoration of the City Park Bandstand.

Thank you for your consideration.

Frank

Frank Rowe
Executive Director
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DENVER PARK TRUST

Every park is priceless.

Denver Park Trust
PO Box 102325, Denver, CO 80250
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September 3, 2026

Members of the Denver Landmark Preservation Commission
Denver Community Planning and Development
201 W. Colfax Avenue
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Letter of Support for Revised Design for the Restoration of the City Park Bandstand

Dear Members of the Landmark Preservation Commission,

The Denver Park Trust is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and the philanthropic partner for Denver Parks and Recreation (DPR), mobilizing support to fund projects that ensure every resident has a place to gather, play, and enjoy nature. We are writing to express our strong support for DPR's revised design for the restoration of the City Park Bandstand.

Together with Kyle Clark's Word of Thanks, City Park Friends and Neighbors, and City Park Alliance, our community secured $250,000 from more than 1,000 individual donors to fund its restoration. This outpouring of support reflects how deeply the Bandstand is valued by the people of Denver. Your support is needed to advance the project to ensure the Bandstand is restored ahead of City Park Jazz 2027, a meaningful Denver tradition, where families, friends, and neighbors gather for cost-free entertainment in a beautiful natural setting.

We believe DPR's revised design integrates the Commission's feedback, reflects the intent of the 1990 ordinance, and honors the Bandstand's historic character. We respectfully encourage the Commission to approve the revised design so that this beloved community landmark can be restored and reopened for the public to enjoy. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Frank Rowe
Executive Director, Denver Park Trust

Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Park / Ferril Lake Bandstand Restoration Comments
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Hello,

Please find attached written comments from City Park Alliance in support of the plans for restoring the fire-damaged bandstand in City Park currently under review. These comments are intended to supplement and reiterate our original comments in support of this project that were provided on August 4, 2026.

Thank you,
Drew McMahan
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September 3, 2026

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RE: Denver Landmark Preservation Commission, City Park Bandstand Reconstruction

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing as the representative of City Park Alliance. We are a nonprofit organization that has been dedicated to Denver's City Park for more than 25 years, and we represent a group of passionate stakeholders that care deeply about City Park and the role it plays in City and neighborhood life. The bandstand represents one of the most iconic vistas in Denver, not to mention the most central gathering place in the City's largest urban park.

We provided written support for this project on August 4, 2026 and we continue to **strongly support** the project including the changes that have been made to the design and are being presented here. It is our view that the proposed restoration effectively balances a wide range of historical and practical considerations. We also ask that the commission consider the urgent nature of this project as a factor in its review of this application. This is a critical community resource, and we believe it is important that its restoration proceeds in a timely fashion.

Thank you for your consideration,

Andrew McMahan
Board President

August 4, 2026

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We are also one of the organizations leading the fundraising effort to support the restoration of the fire-damaged bandstand on City Park's Ferril Lake. The bandstand represents one of the most iconic vistas in Denver, not to mention the most central gathering place in the City's largest urban park.

We are writing to express our strong support for Denver Parks & Recreation's plans for the restoration of the bandstand. The project team has proactively engaged key community stakeholders, and we feel they have done an excellent job of balancing the urgency of this project with historic preservation and modernization considerations. We look forward to them being able to continue the restoration efforts in a timely manner.

Thank you for your consideration,

Andrew McMahan
Board President

DARRELL B. WATSON

DENVER CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, DISTRICT 9

September 3, 2026

Dear Landmark Commission,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the rehabilitation of the iconic City Park Bandstand because this historic landmark has long served as a cherished gathering place for Denver neighbors.

Additionally, the redesign is in alignment with the 1990 Ordinance and honors the historic character while maintaining appropriate mass form and scale. It respects and honors the previous designs while taking notes from multiple iterations including the 1924, 1984 and 1994 designs.

It is also important this project moves forward to align with the Mayor's promise of delivering a new bandstand to the community in time for City Park Jazz 2027.

The Denver Department of Parks and Recreation, and the design firm, Mundus Bishop, have engaged with neighbors and community groups, including City Park Jazz, City Park Alliance, and City Park Friends & Neighbors, to develop a design that respects the historic character of the bandstand with the goal of maintaining the structure as a place the community and its users will continue to love well into the future.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can provide any additional information or support for this important and historic community treasure.

Sincerely,

Darrell B. Watson
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Park Bandstand
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September 4, 2026
Dear Denver Landmark Commission,
Thank you for all your attention to the plans submitted to you for rebuilding the historic City Park Bandstand. City Park Friends and Neighbors (CPFAN) wrote a Letter of Support for the plans presented by Denver Parks and Recreation (DPR) and Mundus Bishop at the last Commission meeting. We understand that after careful review, some alterations to the design were recommended. We have since received a detailed update from DPR's Project Manager, Katie Russell on the recommended alterations. We are very impressed with this rapid response and embrace of the landmarking process by DPR and Mundus Bishop. The revised design is wonderful in our view and responds to the recommendations presented with sensitivity and deep caring for the history of the Bandstand. We couldn't be more excited to see the Bandstand rebuilding begin with this very inspired design. Now that the Gill Foundation has matched the funds raised by CPFAN, City Park Alliance and Kyle Clark and Channel 9's Words of Hope Fund, the City Park Bandstand will rise again! And with such resounding community support!!! We appreciate your careful consideration of this project and we heartily approve the revised design plans moving forward.
Sincerely,

Georgia Garnsey, President
Sky Brubaker, Vice President
Melissa Agnew, Secretary
Kelly Crosby, Treasurer
Robbie Marks, Events Coordinator
John Maynard, Community Relations
Laurel Mohr, Adopt-a-Flowerbed
Patty Paul, Program Chair

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