

SANDY CITY ADMINISTRATION

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To: Sandy City Council

From: Mayor Monica Zoltanski

Subject: Recommendation for Appointment of Parks and Recreation Director – Ben Hill

Members of the City Council,

Pursuant to the Sandy City organizational structure and in accordance with the City's established appointment process, I respectfully submit this letter to recommend **Ben Hill** for appointment as **Parks and Recreation Director for Sandy City**, and to request the **advice and consent of the City Council** during Council meetings scheduled for **January 6 and 13, 2026**.

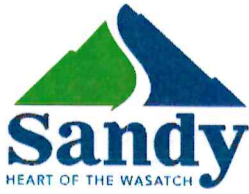
Following a comprehensive recruitment and evaluation process, Mr. Hill has distinguished himself as an exceptionally qualified candidate with the experience, leadership capacity, and professional values well aligned with Sandy City's mission and strategic priorities. He brings nearly two decades of progressive parks and recreation experience, including more than ten years in executive-level leadership roles.

Mr. Hill currently serves as **Executive Director of Cottonwood Heights Parks & Recreation**, where he has demonstrated strong capability in strategic planning, fiscal management, capital project oversight, and operational excellence. His career reflects a consistent record of building high-performing teams, ensuring regulatory compliance and public safety, and delivering high-quality services that enhance community quality of life.

In addition to his professional experience, Mr. Hill holds a **Master's Degree in Parks & Recreation Management from the University of Utah** and is a **Certified Park and Recreation Executive (CPRE)** through the National Recreation and Parks Association. He is widely respected for his collaborative leadership style, integrity, and ability to work effectively with elected officials, boards, and community partners.

I am confident that Mr. Hill possesses the vision, technical expertise, and leadership acumen necessary to guide Sandy City's Parks and Recreation Department into its next chapter of service, innovation, and growth. His appointment would strengthen our executive leadership team and support the City's continued commitment to excellence in public services.

Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Sandy City Council consider this recommendation and provide its advice and consent at an upcoming Council meeting in **January 2026**.



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Thank you for your continued partnership and service to the residents of Sandy City. Please feel free to contact my office should you require any additional information.

Yours in service,



Monica Zoltanski
Mayor, Sandy City