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### **BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS SELECTS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The Board of Park Commissioners for Summit Metro Parks has named Lisa King executive director of the Akron-based metropolitan park district that manages 14,100 acres, 16 parks and more than 125 miles of trails.

Commissioners will officially appoint King during the next board meeting, Tuesday, September 8 at 11:30 a.m., in the visitors center at F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm (1828 Smith Rd., Akron).

King is currently the park district's chief of planning and development, overseeing the preparation and implementation of its master plan and individual park plans, and supervising the design, engineering and construction of capital improvement projects. She previously served as the park district's landscape architect.

"I am honored and humbled by the appointment, and very excited to lead," said King, a Summit Metro Parks employee since 1998.

King is a graduate of The Ohio State University, a state-registered landscape architect, a champion of sustainable design, and a certified parks and recreation professional through the National Recreation and Park Association. She has managed a variety of facility and trail improvement projects for the park district, including the construction and certification of two LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)-certified "Platinum" buildings.

For more information about the park district, visit [summitmetroparks.org](http://summitmetroparks.org) or call 330-867-5511.

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