



City of Pflugerville

Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, May 8, 2012

6:00 PM

100 East Main Street, Suite 500

Worksession

1. Call to order

Mayor Jeff Coleman called the worksession to order at 6:02 p.m. Councilmembers Brad Marshall, Darelle White, and Starlet Sattler were in attendance. Mayor Pro Tem Victor Gonzales entered the worksession at 6:07 p.m. Councilmember Wayne Cooper entered the worksession at 6:08 p.m. Parks and Recreation Commissioners in attendance: Corey Shepperd, Chair; Melody Ryan, Vice Chair; Glenn Beck, Secretary; and Raul Capatillo. Alternate Parks and Recreation Commissioner Christina Crouch entered the worksession at 6:08 p.m. City employees attending: Brandon Wade, City Manager; George Hyde, City Attorney; Karen Thompson, City Secretary; Lauri Gillam, Assistant City Manager; Tom Word, Assistant City Manager; Trey Fletcher, Assistant City Manager; Terri Waggoner, Public Information Officer; Leann Resendez, Recreation Center Superintendent; James Bowlin, Parks and Recreation Director; Dan Franz, City Engineer.

2. Discuss only

Mayor Coleman indicated that they would address item 2B and then item 2A. He opened both items for discussion.

2B. 2012-1190

Annual worksession with the Parks and Recreation Commission for discussion regarding the duties, responsibilities, projects, accomplishments, and goals of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mr. Shepperd introduced the Parks and Recreation Commissioners and presented on the item.

2A. 2012-1200

Discussion with the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding the Pflugerville Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.

Mr. Word presented on the item. He stated that the Parks and Recreation Commission has done a noble job of identifying priorities and projects. He stated that they hope to have a dialogue with Council on how they should move forward with the program. Mr. Wade recommended prioritizing relative to their dollar amount and stated that they could be funded by the general capital reserve fund or bond election. He explained that projections show property tax values are down and the city hopes to just break even this year. Mr. Cooper recommended looking at requiring development of parks by developers and adding trails to the thoroughfare plan. Mr. Shepperd stated that the Commission worked on the 5 year plan to be consistent with the open space master plan, which is far reaching. He asked if that is the kind of 5 year

plan the Council would like them to present. He stated they know their 5 year plan is unfundable, but even in a moderate look at the open space master plan, that is what they have to do. Mr. Cooper indicated that they need to review the priorities and consider if they should provide facilities and services that are offered by the private sector. Mayor Coleman stated that his personal philosophy is that they should not provide items that would be provided by the private sector. He asked the Parks and Recreation Commission what they see as the most absolutely important things. Discussion continued. Mr. Gonzales asked what they can do as a city to best invest dollars to affect the most community and indicated that that needs to be defined. Mr. White suggested that as the city grows to look at how we do this. He stated that there are certain things that they can prioritize and they can look at things to fund in short term and at opportunities in the long term for private enterprise to come in. He explained that the city is like a young family, with its income projected to grow over time. He stated that he does not think the list is unreachable for the future, although it is not doable at this moment. Mr. Shepperd stated that at their last meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission was asked to prioritize the items in the 5 year plan and they did a quick take at it. He distributed the prioritized list. He stated that the first eight or so have to do with grass, trails or youth sports, and that buildings do not really come in until number eleven. Discussion followed.

Mr. Word spoke regarding youth sports and asked what role the city should fulfill. He asked to talk about the alternatives and discussion followed. Mayor Coleman stated that he likes for the city to provide the land and access to the space and then to let the associations manage it. Mayor Coleman recommended finding some time in the next 60 days to continue discussion at another worksession. Mr. Wade recommended setting aside a few hours. Mr. Wade stated that he would go through what he thinks they can do with the general capital reserve fund and what they would need to do with a bond and would bring the numbers forward on how it would affect the tax rate. Mayor Coleman asked the Parks and Recreation Commission to look at how to convert the lake trail to a full 5K. A need for additional parking at Lake Pflugerville was also noted.

3. Adjourn

Mr. Gonzales made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Cooper seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried. The worksession was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Thompson
City Secretary

Approved as _____ on May 22, 2012.