



City of Pflugerville

Minutes - Final

Parks and Recreation Commission

Thursday, February 16, 2017

6:00 PM

Pflugerville Recreation Center, 400 Immanuel Rd

Worksession

Commissioners:

Christie Crouch, Chair
Jim McDonald, Vice Chair
Michael Owens, Secretary
Kimberly Castillo, Member
Raul Capetillo, Member
Sahaj Shah, Student Member
Lisa Ely, Alternate Member
Scott Langer, Member

1. Call to Order

Christie Crouch, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Jim McDonald, Lisa Ely, Kimberly Castillo, Raul Capetillo, Michael Owens, and Scott Langer were in attendance. Sahaj Shah was absent. Staff attending: James Hemenes, Parks & Recreation Director; Sheila Wiora, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director; Suzie Galloway, Aquatic/Athletic Coordinator; Aileen Dryden, Parks Development Manager; Trey Fletcher, Assistant City Manager; LeAnn Resendez, Recreation Superintendent; Pamela Cosel, Marketing and Special Events Coordinator; Carly Cox, Parks Admin Tech.

2. Discuss Only

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Work Session to discuss the Commission's Strategic Plan & Calendar, discuss the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan and other Master Plans and begin development of the Parks & Recreation Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget.

Mr. Hemenes began by introducing Suzie Galloway, the department's new Aquatics/Athletics Coordinator. Mr. Hemenes then briefly went over what the group needs to cover during the work session that evening. Over the next few months the Commissioners need to work on the 5-Year Capital Improvement Project list. This list needs to be finalized and submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission by the Parks and Recreation Commission's regularly scheduled meeting in April. The Planning and Zoning Commission must review and submit a recommendation to City Council. The city's 2030 Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2011 and within the next two years the city is expecting to be on the back-end of this plan. With a city growing as fast as Pflugerville is, there will probably be a need to have another plan drafted in the next few years. Another document is the Trails Master Plan and Undeveloped Park Study which includes 10 Master Plans for undeveloped parks. Four of those

plans have been used to develop parks – Pflugerville Heights, Black Locust, Wilbarger Creek, and Stonehill Parks. The Lake Pflugerville Master Plan was adopted in 2014. This plan has \$16M total estimated build out price tag and will include numerous site amenities such as an amphitheater for city events, a boardwalk, natural grasslands, an expansion of the beach area, and more. Mr. Hemenes then showed the comprehensive design for the 1849 Park. This parkland is currently a total of 320 acres and was purchased by using funds approved by the voters in the November 2014 Bond Election. The park has grown from just a sports complex with sports fields & will now include trails, playscapes, mutli-use practice fields, multi-use sports courts, and much more to come as we gain better access to the property throughout the parks long-planned development. Mr. Fletcher added that they will try to model Pfluger Park in the 1849 Park development and construction. Mr. Hemenes continued to say that in all, with today’s pricing for materials/labor/consultants, the cost estimate is about \$60M. There is \$15M alone set aside for Phase 1. Phase 1 is setting up the entire park for future development with the installation of waste water lines, irrigation lines, and preliminary grading. This will allow for smoother progress in future construction and development. Mr. Hemenes did also add that to fully build out the property it will probably require another bond election. Discussion began on how the 5-Year Capital Improvement Project (CIP) list is organized, and when more Lake Pflugerville planning will begin since the November 2014 Bond Election awarded funds included “Lake Improvements”. Discussion continued on whether the Commission should follow the current structure of the 5-Year CIP or change it since the results of the 2016 Special Election transferred most of the Commissions responsibilities to the Planning and Zoning Committee. There was also a brief discussion on trails being considered part of the city’s transportation plan VS. park improvement site amenity and the selection of the project to the submit to the City Manager for consideration for special reserve funding for 2017. Ms. Crouch added that in order to streamline the process for organizing the 5-Year CIP the group needs to try to hone in on priorities so that there is a more cohesive and specific need identified to present to City Council.

3. Adjourn

The worksession was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Approved as _____ on March 16, 2017.

Christie Crouch, Commission Chair