

# RONDA GINDIN

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17504 Kessler Drive  
Pflugerville, Texas

Phone:  
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To: Pflugerville Parks and Recreation Commission

Dear Commissioners,

I believe that I am a great candidate for the open Parks and Recreation Commission Position and I am honored to be asked to apply.

Pflugerville has been my home for 22 years. I own two homes here in town, one on W. Custers Creek and my residence on Kessler in Springbrook.

My three children that have attended Springhill & Timmerman Elementary, Pflugerville Middle and Pflugerville High. My oldest will graduate UTSA this Spring. I have enjoyed raising my children in Pflugerville and I have a lot of knowledge and personal experience with most of the Pflugerville Parks. Creekside, Moose, Wuthrich, and Mountain Creek were the social network for my family. and great for jogging, dog walking and berry picking. I have always loved walking along the wooded areas and through the creeks. My favorite thing about Pflugerville is the connecting park system that makes gathering with friends easy and safe.

When I lived near Windermere Park we would often play in the creek, swim in the pool and watch as they built and rebuilt the foot bridge several times. The parks have had many wonderful improvements over the past years. The new creek side trail is great because my father can take his wheel chair directly from his apartment down to the park.

My past business field is both residential and commercial property management and am currently a Realtor here in Pflugerville. I have a deep understanding of property value and the impact that Parks make on this system. I am the president of Pflugerville's Garden Club that is very active in the beautification projects of our City and Community Garden.

Thank you for you time and for considering me for the Alternate Position in the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronda Gindin".

Ronda Gindin

V Voter



Please return completed application to: Karen Thompson, City Secretary 100 East Main Street, Suite 300 P.O. Box 589 (78691) Pflugerville, TX 78660 By fax 990-4364 By email to citysecretary@pflugervilletx.gov

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

All information provided in this application is public information pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Public Information Act.

The Parks and Recreation Commission annually submits a 5-year comprehensive park plan; makes recommendations regarding the management, maintenance, use, and improvement of all parks and public recreational facilities owned or controlled by the City; makes recommendations concerning acquiring real property and concerning donations, legacies, and bequests; and makes recommendations regarding recreational programs and events. The Parks and Recreation Commission is composed of 6 members serving 2-year terms, and 1 high school student and 1 alternate member serving 1-year terms. The alternate member may vote if a regular member is absent.

Candidates are required to be registered voters of the City and to have resided within the corporate limits for at least twelve months preceding the appointment and must not be employed by or hold any other position in the City's government. The student member is not required to be a registered voter. All appointments are made by and at the discretion of the City Council. Because vacancies may arise before the next regular appointment period, all applications are kept on file until the next application period.

Name: Ronda Gindin Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: 17504 Kessler Dr. PFI, TX 78660

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident of the City of Pflugerville for 22 years.

Are you are a registered voter of the City of Pflugerville? [X] Yes [ ] No Voter Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission? [ ] Yes [X] No

Does any potential conflict of interest exist which may interfere or inhibit you to carry out the duties of a Parks and Recreation Commissioner? [ ] Yes [X] No (If Yes, please explain.)

[Empty box for conflict of interest explanation]

How often do you use parks facilities in Pflugerville?

My husband and I use the greenbelt north of Springbrook daily and my family uses Moose, Creekside, Mountain Creek, Gilleland, Wells point, Bohls, Heritage, Rec. Center, Community Garden, Pfluger Park, Lake Pflugerville, Windermere regularly.

Which facilities do you use?

I use the hike and bike paths in all the parks. My kids grew up playing soccer on Wells Point Bohls and Pfluger Park. We all use Moose and surrounding parks and Lake Pflugerville and love to go to the festivals at Pfluger Park. Simming at Gilland and the Community Garden.

Please list the programs offered by the Parks Department.

Summer and Holiday Camps, Drop by Drop, Recycling (oil, appliances, glass, paper, brush, christmas trees & more), Adopt a trail, Community Garden, Farmers Market, Senior Center and activities, Free mulch, Curbside brush pick up, Recreation Center Classes (Yoga, gymnastics, basketball, ping pong, pool, martial arts, football, Bird watching, dances, full gym, indoor walk path child care at Gym)

What areas or programs would you like to see improved or expanded?

I would love to see decomposed granite pathways along the greenbelt and connecting pathway to all parks. I also think the Community Garden could use a lot of beautification and handicap access. A lovely botanical garden with a water feature to attract tourists, business and residents would increase property values for all neighborhoods as would all of these additions.

What are the biggest challenges that you see facing Parks and Recreation in Pflugerville in the next 5 years?

To properly spend our tax payers money in wise ways to reflect the majority needs and wants of our community. Pflugerville wants to attract and retain residents by having amenities that increase property values. Pflugerville wants to be known for its clean and family safe parks and children activities to learn and be active.

Please provide any additional information you feel would be useful to the City Council in considering your application. Please use additional sheets as necessary. A cover letter and/or resume may also be submitted with the application.

[Empty box for additional information]

By signing this application, I hereby affirm that I am aware of the requirements for the position and certify that I meet those requirements.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_