



# City of Pflugerville

## Minutes - Final

### Parks and Recreation Commission

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Thursday, June 20, 2019

7:00 PM

Pflugerville Recreation Center, 400 Immanuel Rd

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#### Regular Meeting

#### 1. Call to Order

##### Commissioners:

Raul Capetillo, Member

Kimberly Castillo, Member

Scott Langer, Member

Lisa Ely, Member

Lenette Peterson, Member

Patrick Clynch, Member

Heidi Hughes, Student Member

Tyler McCraney, Alternate Member

#### 2. Citizen Communication

The Commission welcomes comment on parks and recreation items. Public comment that is

made on an item that is not on the published agenda will only be heard by the Commission. No

formal action, discussion, deliberation, or comment will be made. Each person providing public

comment will be limited to three (3) minutes and will be asked to state his or her name and

address for the public record.

Matt Holder, resident in Pflugerville, wanted to speak to the Parks Commission regarding implementing a tree mulching/tree care policy, similar to the City of Austin. In Mr. Holder's neighborhood of Highland Park there have been several dozen trees that have died due to incorrect mulching. These dead trees were replaced, and again, incorrectly mulched.

#### 3. Approval of the Minutes

##### 3A. Discuss and consider action to approve the minutes from the Parks and Recreation Commission May 16, 2019 Regular Meeting.

Mr. Langer made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the May 16, 2019 regular meeting. Ms. Castillo seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion carried.

#### 4. Discuss Only

##### 4A. Director's Updates including information about the Project Status Report, Monthly Departmental Financials and Upcoming Special Events.

Mr. Capetillo introduced the topic. Ms. Dryden began with an update on Wilbarger Creek Park. A permit should be issued within the next 2 weeks and in July there will be a pre-construction meeting and construction should also begin in July. At the next council meeting, we currently have 2 agenda items scheduled; an approval for a splash pad to be installed in Stonehill Park & the PDR for Lake Pflugerville Phase 1. The original plans included a splash pad at Stonehill Park but it was removed due to budget constraints. The project should take about 16 weeks and be completed in the Fall. The Preliminary Development Report (PDR) for Lake Pflugerville Phase 1 are to be approved at the next council meeting. After that is approved construction documents and permitting will be the next steps for this project. Phase 1 will include new community gardens and parking at the Biehle House property. The advisory board for the Senior Center and Recreation Center Feasibility Study will meet again on June 26 and they will starting looking at selection criteria, as well as maintenance and operations plans. Ms. Dryden continued on to say that the Bohl's Park playground replacement is completed and the next park to be developed will be Springbrook Park using parkland dedication funds. Ms. Holman then briefly went through the upcoming events; the Pfarmers Market regular season continues each Tuesday 3 – 7pm at Heritage Park, the next Music in the Park will take place on Friday, June 21 with Kev Bev. Our next Pfamily Pfloat Night at the Scott Mentzer Pool will be held on June 21 starting at 8pm. Volunteers are still needed for the Pfirecracker Pfestival on July 4th at the Pfield. July is Parks and Recreation month and we will have several pfun events for citizens to participate including a Pfree Pfriday at the Recreation Center, Yoga in the Park at Pfluger Park, sand volleyball during the Pfarmers Market on July 9, and a pickleball bootcamp at the Recreation Center on July 11.

##### 4B. Staff Report and discussion regarding Keep Pflugerville Beautiful.

Mr. Capetillo introduced the topic. Ms. Wiora gave a brief presentation on Keep Pflugerville Beautiful and the overall Keep Texas Beautiful program. The mission of Keep Texas Beautiful is to inspire and empower Texans to keep our communities clean and beautiful. There are currently 300 city affiliates who have pledged to keep their communities beautiful. The city of Pflugerville's involvement started with a committee in the 2000s, but as the city evolved and grew the Keep Pflugerville Beautiful committee was turned over to city staff and is now mostly coordinated by Sheila Wiora and Eddie Garcia in the Parks Department and Patricia Rinehart in the Public Works Department. Projects/events that are part of the Keep Pflugerville Beautiful program include Fall Sweep, Don't Mess With Texas trash-off, Great American Clean-Up, Keep Texas Waterways Clean, Adopt-A-Trail & Adopt-A-Spot, and Waste in Place. Sheila also showed the commissioners our recently awarded Gold Star Affiliate plaque. There was a brief discussion on how to amplify awareness of the Keep Pflugerville Beautiful program and projects.

##### 4C. Discussion Regarding Outdoor Park Games.

Mr. Capetillo introduced the topic and the commissioners were shown photos of various permanent outdoor park games such as table tennis, corn hole, and chess. Ms. Resendez added that this concept began as an initiative to get more seniors outdoors. There was a brief discussion on what type of games might work in certain parks.

**4D.** Staff Report and Discussion Regarding Security Cameras in the Recreation Center and City Parks.

Mr. Capetillo introduced the topic. Ms. Wiora informed the commissioners that David Bunch, IT Director, has been working on installing security systems at various city facilities and there are several parks that will soon have security as well, which are to be Gilleland Creek Pool, both the north and south shore of Lake Pflugerville, and Heritage Park. There was a brief discussion on Pfluger Park and the reported issues that have happened in that park; it was suggested that Pfluger Park be considered as well.

**5. Discuss and Consider Action**

**5A.** Discuss and consider action to place items on future Parks & Recreation Commission meeting agendas.

Mr. Capetillo would like an opportunity for discussion on a tree mulching policy.

**6. Adjourn**

Ms. Ely made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Castillo seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Approved as presented on July 18, 2019.

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Raul Capetillo, Commission Chair