

January 21, 2026

Wednesday, 6:00pm

I. Call to order TIME: 6:00p

II. Roll Call

Present:

Adriana Arrington- Calk, President
Nicol Schriener, Vice President (joined meeting @ 6:45)
Alli Welch, Secretary
Kyle McVay- Member
Stephen Dauphin- Member
Vacant- Alternate
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Jonah Chang, Director of Parks and Recreation
David Merz, District 4 City Council Liaison

OTHERS PRESENT:

Helen Delevan- Friends of the Parks
Patrick Conner- Friends of the Parks

III. Citizen's comments

Patrick Conner- 811 Washington
Presented letter from friends of park (below)

At the FCRP meeting January 18th we discussed the impacts at the Castroville regional park. It is the opinion of the FCRP Board of Directors that the events are too large, leading to the exclusion of other park users, and overwhelmed parking system, and wear and tear on park facilities. The FCRP proposes the following solutions for consideration:

- Limit registration to 500 participants
- Reserve parking spaces for park users that are not attending the events. For example, reserve the parking lot west of the basketball courts.
- Require medina valley soccer association to provide parking attendants that would enforce proper parking procedures and the reserved spaces mentioned above
- Consider increasing the \$20/user/season user fee to reflect the burden on the park

Mr. Conner referred to page 19 of the Master Plan and recommended that the park be used for more shared use rather than being taken over by soccer. He also recommended having only one soccer season instead of two.

Helen Delavan- 1105 Lisbon

Mrs. Delavan reported that the FCRP Board had previously discussed possible dissolution due to member age and having met many original organizational

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goals. Instead, the group chose to restructure and expand the board to include younger members with the skills and energy to revitalize the organization. He announced the new officers as follows: Cassidy Kempf (President), Priscilla Garrett (Vice President), Desserie Mendoza (Secretary), and Hunter Gibson (Treasurer). Jeremy Tometzak, Patrick Conner, Kyle McVay, and Mrs. Delavan will remain as Members at Large. He expressed confidence that both the FCRP and the park would benefit from these changes.

Mrs. Delevan also raised ongoing concerns regarding parking at the park, stating that soccer participation has outgrown the facility and negatively impacts other park users, particularly on weekends. She urged the Park Board to encourage City Council to address and resolve the parking issue.

IV. Consent Agenda:

Motion: Accept minutes from last meeting.

Motion By: Stephen **2nd By:** Alli

Vote: Yes# 4 No# 0 Pass

V. Presentations

b. Recognition of the Friends of Castroville Regional Park founding members' efforts (above)

Adrianna recognized some founding board members of the Friends of Castroville Regional Park including Helen Delavan, Teri Barrow, Tim Barrow, Norma Green (who passed away) and Donna Jaklich. Teri resigned from the board and Helen stepped down as president, as the FCRP board has recently reorganized. Their involvement spans years from 2007 when the non-profit was formed. They helped facilitate volunteers to keep the Regional Park beautiful, safe, and welcoming. The projects include the amphitheater, butterfly garden, botanical garden, Boo Bash, and the extensive trails. Their volunteer work is a great foundation to build upon.

a. Review of Medina Valley Soccer Association yearend report & update

The Soccer Association was invited to attend meeting. Representative Cody Price was unable to attend but expressed interest in attending a future meeting, potentially in February, and in working collaboratively with the Board and Parks Department on shared park usage.

The Soccer Association reported approximately 1,500 players across both seasons, not including spectators.

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The budget was reviewed.

Medina Valley Soccer Club (MVSC)
Financial Statement – YTD 2025

1. Revenue Summary

- Spring PDL Registration: \$62,655
- Fall PDL Registration: \$62,285
- Sponsorships & Donations Total: \$1,000.00

2. Expense Summary

- Total Expenses: \$122,699.60

3. Net Income Summary

- Total Revenue: \$125,940.00
- Total Expenses: \$122,699.60
- Net Income: \$3,240.40

4. Current Balances

- Checking Account Balance: \$2,678.67
- Savings Account Balance: \$2,814.54
- Outstanding Payables: (-) \$2,453.27

5. Annual Improvements to Castroville Regional Park

- Volunteer Labor: \$15,375.00
- Soccer Goals: ~ \$7,500.00
- Field Lining Equipment: \$6,000.00
- Lighting Upgrades: \$4,941.12
- Paint Purchases: \$4,507.55
- Benches, Tents, & Equipment: \$2,466.84

6. Current MVSC Board & Contacts

- Cody Price – CEO & CFO
- Todd Seay – Director of Coaching & Referee Assignor
- Jaime Garza – Field Operations Director
- Lia Price – Marketing, Sponsorship, and Registrar
- Secretary – Vacant

7. Volunteers & Participation Numbers

- 7 Volunteers
- Spring: 793 Players
- Fall: 788 Players

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**c. Review 2025 Park Board actions and look at 2026 options by
Chairperson**

2025 year in review

1. Recommended refurbishment of regional park pond
2. Recommended repairs to the regional park irrigation
3. Created special project fun policy
4. Updated park rules
5. Created comprehensive and prioritized project list for staff and council
6. Completed lion's park master plan updated with survey data including major amenities etc
7. Received \$5000 donation from Castroville Special Events for Lions Park shade feature. This will be used as soon as the splashpad repair decision is made.
8. Applied for the TPWD grant for the Lions Park playground and swings using the Lions Park Master Plan update, the survey results and recommendations from residents
9. Created plan for 134 Village Path to become a pocket park
10. Helped restart partnership with BMA for the Canal Trail
11. Funded pool covers from the Special Project Fund.

2026 tasks for consideration

1. Need a commitment from council on what they want to fund/ support for the splashpad
2. Get approval for the Lion's Park Master Plan update with council
3. Create regional park pool master plan update
4. Spec the new regional park pool shower house (add to master plan)
5. Help finalize the active transportation plan especially to include updates to September square and 134 village Path
6. Complete initial recommendations for parkland dedication ordinance updates
7. Help with community center opening and policy
8. Refurbish north restroom in Regional Park
9. Is there another grant opportunity with TPWD for 2027? We would need survey data, plans, and feedback from current grant.
10. Update the Park Board project list depending on what gets funded this year
11. Help partner with Medina Valley Soccer Club for maintaining the Regional Park
12. Identify land for another city park about the size of Lions Park on the east side of Medina River

Members discussed possible need for an updated survey. Comments were

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made that several more projects should be completed before conducting another survey or pursuing an additional grant.

Members also discussed the approximately 8-acre parcel of city-owned land behind Northpark, noting that while it is mostly wooded, it could be a good location for a future park.

Point of order 6:45 Nicole joined meeting

VI. Discussion and Action Items

- a. Discuss and take appropriate action on the shower house plans for the Regional Park Pool

Recommended Floorplan & Spaces

Shower	Sink/Toilet	Sink/Toilet	Sink/Toilet	Sink/Toilet	Shower/ Changing	Shower/ Changing	Shower/ Changing	Shower
Shower				Shower				Shower
	Door	Door	Door	Door	Door	Door	Door	

City Council is supportive of the addition of a shower and bath house. Jonah presented a schematic diagram for feedback that he plans to revise and present to Council. The proposed schematic includes three toilets, four indoor showers, and four outdoor showers. Ventilation, cooling, and heating were noted as important considerations.

Motion: Alli Welch made a motion to approve the schematic as presented by Jonah.

Second: Kyle McVay

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Regional Park North restroom remodel

c.

The project will be presented to City Council as a Capital Improvement Project (CIP). It was noted that the project was originally considered as a remodel, with complete replacement options also reviewed. For comparison, it was noted that the restroom facility at Lions Park exceeded \$100,000 for a prefabricated

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building, making the proposed renovation a significantly more cost-effective option.

The proposed renovation includes enclosing the existing building and adding ventilation, while maintaining the current footprint. The estimated cost of renovations is \$4,397.88, with additional costs anticipated for extending the concrete area.

Members also discussed the potential addition of an exterior water fountain.

Motion: Kyle McVay made a motion to accept Jonah's recommendation to proceed with the renovation and upgrade.

Second: Stephen

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Lions Park splashpad repairs
Draft of options of what to do with splash pad reference

Report from Jonah- Excavation & repairs are currently underway. There was substantial damage to the center drain & the underground components. The water supply line and sewer line are completely severed, and the center drain is sitting approximately 1 inch above the pad. The plan is to lower the center drain to keep the slope necessary and then repair all plumbing & sewer components. Once the plumbing has been repaired, a pressure test will be conducted to ensure no other leaks are hidden further down the lines. After a successful pressure test, the backfill process will begin. Since there is such a large void, we will most likely need to repair other areas of the pad with flowable fill or leveling foam.

Discussion surrounded what is our goal with the splashpad for Lions Park? How can we take care of the community responsibly?

Option 1- remove and install shade pavilion

Option 2- repair, use water same as now with flowthrough fresh water

Option 3- repair change water system to collection tank for used water to use for irrigation

Option 4- repair and upgrade to water recycle system

Decisions further complicated by extreme drought conditions.

Board would ultimately like the splash pad to operate with a water recycling system. Look into grants for water conservation.

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Alli expressed that she did not support presenting an option that would eliminate the splash pad moving forward. Nicol stated that she preferred to present all options to City Council, including the potential removal of the splash pad.

Motion by Kyle for recycle system and looking into water conservation grants

Second by Stephen

Passed with 4 yes, 1 no

- e. Discuss and take appropriate action on recommending the Friends of the Castroville Regional Park(F.C.R.P) to take over the City Wide Yard Sale in June.

At previous meeting board agreed to take over, however, it was encouraged by the city administrator that a non-profit be in charge.

Motion that instead of parks board, the friends in partnership with Nip Tuck will head the city-wide yard.

Kyle motion

2nd Nicol

Passed 5-0

VII. General Updates

- a. Friends of Castroville Regional Park General Update by FCRP Representative Watershed Protection will stake the riparian restoration project on Thursday, January 23. A plant list is currently being developed. Groundbreaking is scheduled for February 7, with planting planned for February 28 along the path from the street down to the river area. Soil replacement will be required in some areas due to erosion.

FCRP is also working to schedule a trail maintenance workshop on February 28. The new board will be developing a website.

The annual membership meeting is scheduled for March 20.

- b. Parks & Recreation Director Report

The following report topics may be discussed and acted upon:

Staff Report(work orders, reservations, operations)

Community Center construction

- Construction is back underway, windows have been installed and roofing install has begun.
- The last construction schedule was sent out December 1, projecting

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Owner move-in March 25th, 2026. However, this does not account for the rain delays which are projected to be 26 Calendar days, moving owner move-in to April 30th, 2026

Swimming pool covers

Order has been placed and measurements have been triple confirmed with Recreonics.

Splashpad repairs- discussed above

BMA updated agreement

Jonah reported that BMA Board of Directors were open and willing to discuss a new/updated Interlocal Agreement. They authorized their staff & attorney to begin reviewing the updated interlocal agreement and to work together to come up with an implementation plan. There are a few items that they would like to see in the updated agreement:

- Gate installation by professionals to include key pads vs remotes.
- Keep a shorter term length of 1 year that is automatically renewed unless 60 days written notice is given to either organization for termination.
- Notify BMA Staff/Board about any repairs/maintenance being done on the canal with city equipment & vehicles. Routine maintenance/observation may not require a notice to BMA.
- Add pictures & examples: Trail barrier signage, Interpretive panels, Map outlining City trail & BMA canal

TPWD Grant update

received work from Jessica Acosta at Grant Works & Dan Reece with TPWD that our Local Park application will be recommended for funding at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting held on January 22nd.

CIP Projects

Jonah is working on updating the CIP for Parks & Recreation and will use the most recent prioritized projects list that the Board discussed and approved.

Master Plan updates

Jonah plans to present to City Council at their January 27th meeting some updates to the Master Plan, which include the Lions Park Update & other miscellaneous updates i.e. updated city seal, add Council resolution, etc.

Parks Special Project Fund Update

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board authorized the use of funds to

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purchase the pool covers from Recreonics. We have not received the final bill and therefore no change to this fund has been made.

Meeting time- move from 6 to 6:30

Motion- Alli, 2nd Kyle, passed 5-0

VIII. Future Agenda Items


- a. Update the Master Plan for the Regional Park Pool including possible programming, additional changing areas, showers, restrooms, and handicap accessibility.
- b. Community Center Usage Policy & Ordinances
- c. September Square brick refurbishment and installment policy, to include updating the Master Plan for September Square
- d. Lions Park shade recommendation at the entrance of the Splashpad pending repair decision

IX. Adjourn **TIME 8:03p**

Motion: To Adjourn

Motion By: Kyle **2nd By:** Alli

Vote: Yes# 5 No# 0 Pass/Fail Action:

Prepared By 

Approved By 