

Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center

1042 Event Center Drive – Dripping Springs, Texas

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of commissioners present, Chair Fushille called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

Commission Members

Paul Fushille, Chair Kristy Caldwell, Vice Chair (absent) Hope Boatright Olivia Barnard (left at 6:40) Tyson Joe Christian Krueger (arrived at 7:00) Thomas Lengel Bryant Schleppler

Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz
Parks & Community Services Assistant Director Emily Nelson
City Secretary Diana Boone
City Attorney Laura Mueller
Council Member Travis Crow

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the Commission on any issue, regardless of whether it is posted on this agenda, may do so during Presentation of Citizens. It is the request of the Commission that individuals wishing to speak on agenda items with a public hearing hold their comments until the item is being considered. Individuals are allowed two (2) minutes each to speak regarding issues not on the agenda and two (2) minutes per item on the agenda may not cede or pool time. Those requiring the assistance of a translator will be allowed additional time to speak. Individuals are not required to sign in; however, it is encouraged. Individuals that wish to share documents with the Commission must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least nine (9) copies; if nine (9) copies are not provided, the Commission will receive the documents the following day. Audio Video presentations will not be accepted during Presentation of Citizens. By law no action shall be taken during Presentation of Citizens; however, the Chair may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

1. Approval of the October 16, 2024 Parks & Recreation meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Scheppler, to approve the October 16, 2024 minutes. The motion to approve carried unanimously 6 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

2. Presentation by Josh Sanders on potential improvements to the ballfields at Sports & Recreation Park.

No presentation. This item was moved to Closed Session.

3. Presentation by Halff on the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan and stakeholder listening session with the Parks & Recreation Commission.

No action was taken during this presentation.

4. Discuss and consider approval of the 2025 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting calendar.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lenger and seconded by Commissioner Boatright, to approve the 2025 calendar as presented. The motion to approve carried unanimously 6 to 0.

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Reports listed are on file and available for review upon request. The Commission may provide staff direction; however, no action shall be taken.

5. Parks & Community Services Director's Report Andy Binz, PCS Director

Update only. No action was taken.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports relate to the administration of the City's Parks. The Commission may provide staff direction; however no action may be taken.

6. Charro Ranch Park

Commissioners: Fushille and Lengel

7. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee

Commissioners: Boatright and Lengel

8. Founders Memorial Park Committee

Commissioners: Barnard, Schleppler, and Joe

9. Rathgeber Natural Resource Park

Commissioners: Caldwell, Fushille and Barnard

10. Sports & Recreation Park Committee

Commissioners: Krueger, Schleppler, and Joe

11. Veterans Memorial Park Committee

Commissioners: Caldwell

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Joe and seconded by Commissioner Lengel, to move items 2 and 12 into Closed Session for Consultation with Attorney (551.071). The motion carried unanimously 7 to 0, with Commissioner Krueger arriving in time to vote.

Closed Session started at 7:22 PM and ended at 7:52

The Commission has the right to adjourn into closed session on any item on this agenda and at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by law or by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation With Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations), and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits). Any final action or vote on any Closed Session item will be taken in Open Session.

12. Consultation with Attorney regarding legal issues related to the unauthorized removal of trees from Founders Memorial Park, and related items. Consultation with Attorney, 551.071

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Lengel and seconded by Commissioner Boatright. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.