



CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 06, 2022

The Park Commission of the City of Rollingwood, Texas held a meeting, open to the public, in the Municipal Building at 403 Nixon Drive in Rollingwood, Texas on June 6, 2022. Members of the public and the Park Commission were able to participate in the meeting virtually, as long as a quorum of the Park Commission and the presiding officer were physically present at the Municipal Building, in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. A video recording of the meeting was made and will be posted to the City's website and available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request.

CALL PARK COMMISSION MEETING TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

Chair Chad Smith called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

Present members: Chair Chad Smith, Melissa Morrow, Jennifer Meyer, Don Hudson, Mary Elizabeth Cofer, and Laurie Mills.

Nicole Maurici joined the meeting via zoom during item 4 of the Regular Agenda.

Also present: Interim City Administrator Ashley Wayman, City Council Member Alec Robinson, City Secretary Desiree Adair, Public Works Operator Vicky Ballard, and Assistant to the City Administrator Makayla Rodriguez.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following individuals spoke during public comments:

- Interim City Administrator Ashley Wayman stated that that it is budget season and that members of the Park Commission should reach out to the Mayor and Council Members for items to be included in the budget discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Park Commission and may be enacted by one (1) motion. There will be no separate discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Board Member has requested that the item be discussed, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Regular Agenda.

2. Discussion and possible action on the minutes from the May 2, 2022 Park Commission meeting

Melissa Morrow motioned to approve the consent agenda. Laurie Mills seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0, with 1 abstention.

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Update from Western Hills Little League and Western Hills Girls Softball

Steve Franke of Western Hills Girls Softball discussed the end of the softball season. The Park Commission asked about expenditures and projects completed and requested documentation.

4. Discussion and possible action to review the monthly park walk-through schedule

Laurie Mills recommended making the walk-throughs quarterly to give City staff time to make actionable improvements. Informal comments may be submitted at any time.

Nicole Maurici joined the meeting via zoom during this item.

The Park Commission discussed formal walk-through timing, coordination with City staff, and hiring of maintenance companies.

The Park Commission discussed a formal schedule for walk-throughs.

Laurie Mills motioned to approve quarterly formal walk-throughs with Public Works staff. Chair Chad Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-2.

5. Discussion and possible action on current vendors that provide Adult fitness classes at Rollingwood Park

Melissa Morrow discussed unintended consequences of the new fee structure for the Park and the rate, timing, seasonality, and number of participants in Adult fitness classes.

Neissa Springmann, founder and owner of Ignite, spoke regarding the significant increase in fees her business is facing, and she discussed how fitness, exercise, and mental health impact the holistic lives of women. Ms. Springmann asked if the Park Commission would reconsider the fees and partner to negotiate fees on an annual basis.

Amy Younkman, 605 Coquina Lane, spoke regarding support of Ignite and Neissa Springmann. She would like affordable access to the park for Ignite.

Martha Lynn Mayn, 4800 Chalk Kroll, spoke to the integrity of Neissa Springmann, the beauty of Rollingwood Park, the health of women and what the Park offers the fitness group.

Mary Elizabeth Cofer, Park Commission member, spoke regarding the health of adults and children through the use of Rollingwood Park. She would like to make the Park affordable to all groups.

Kelly Sampley, 805 Rock Creek, spoke regarding the convenient location of Rollingwood Park and its safety and cleanliness. She would be willing to volunteer to help clean up the park.

Simon Krasan, 203 Big Canyon, requested a reconsideration of the fees for park usage and the positive impact that these classes create.

Melissa Morrow, Park Commission member, spoke regarding inclusivity of the program, the convenience of Rollingwood Park, sustainability, and the community building that the Park provides.

The Park Commission discussed meeting to reconsider the fees, funding options, crowd issues, demographics, and user negotiations.

Council Member Alec Robinson discussed options such as adult fitness program rates or user contracts.

Steve Franke, of Western Hills Girls Softball, discussed the reasons for deciding the rates and smaller area usage contracts.

Neissa Springmann spoke regarding the vision of health and vitality of Rollingwood Park and expectations of park condition with the new rates.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding Park Expansion to the North of the Swim Facility

The Park Commission discussed the location, clean up of the undergrowth, and the timing of the project. Laurie Mills objected to new projects until the current park maintenance is addressed.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

All reports are posted to inform the public. No discussion or action will take place on items not on the regular or consent agenda.

7. Park Financials through April 2022

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Minutes Adopted on the 18th day of July, 2022.


Chad Smith, Chair

ATTEST:


Desiree Adair, City Secretary