



PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2021
5:30 PM – Regular Meeting
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
400 N. Douty St.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Karen Clancy		Excused	
Joseph Castaneda		Present	
Gregory Kelley		Present	
Cheyne Strawn		Present	
Carolyn Hudgins		Present	
Russel Hilyard		Absent	
Jim Castleman		Present	

FLAG SALUTE

Flag Salute was led by Chair Commissioner Kelley.

PUBLIC COMMENT

*This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters not on the agenda and that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. This is also the public's opportunity to request an item from the Consent Calendar be pulled for discussion purposes or to comment on any item on the agenda. A maximum of **three minutes** is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.*

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made and then the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar to be discussed and voted upon by a separate motion.

1. Approval of the Minutes for the meeting held April 12, 2021

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 0]
MOVER:	Cheyne Strawn
SECONDER:	Jim Castleman
AYES:	Kelley, Strawn, Hudgins, Castleman
ABSTAIN:	Castaneda
ABSENT:	Hilyard
EXCUSED:	Clancy

DIVISION UPDATES

1. Director Updates

Director Albert presented the Commission with an update on the Master Plan Ad-Hoc Committee and there was some discussion.

- * April 20, 2021 - Where are we now?
- * May 4, 2021 - Where do we want to go?
- * May 18, 2021 - How do we get there?

Director Albert informed the Commission on the following items that were approved by City Council.

- * Two full-time Recreation Coordinators
- * Fitness equipment to include a membership fee for the Longfield Center
- * Fitness court for Hidden Valley Park

Commissioners Strawn, Castleman, and Castaneda had questions that were addressed by Director Albert.

Chair Commissioner Kelley had a question on cost recovery that was answered by Director Albert.

2. Facilities Division Updates

Director Albert updated the Commission on the Facilities Division

- * Carousel project completed - First day May 16, 2021, on Thursday Night Market 423 riders (\$2/per rider).
- * Fleet parts room project nearly completed
- * Teen Center Project will now
- * Freddie the Fire Truck restoration is almost completed
- * Amtrak Overnight Parking Enclosure is completed
- * Police Department and Courthouse sewer main repair

3. Parks Division Updates

Supervisor Nicar updated the Commission on the Parks Division

- * Routine Maintenance - Tree pruning and shrub trimming in the Downtown Districts, Parks, Corporation Yard, Municipal Airport, City Hall, and Plunge.
- * Monthly herbicide disbursement at the Parks, Basins, Sports Complex, Downtown Districts, and Street Medians

- * Weekly Playground inspections
- * Lacey Park Palm trees were trimmed
- * Centennial Park Horseshoe project completed
- * Centennial Park Memorial Trees Project
- * Coe Park Soccer Field Project

4. Recreation Division Updates

Supervisor da Silva updated the Commission on the Recreation Division

- * Instructional Classes fee has increased from \$11 to \$16 Seniors and \$16 to \$20 for non-Seniors

Ongoing Activities

- * Zumba in the park - Monday/Wednesday 6 pm-7 pm
- * Aerobics at the Longfield Gym beginning May - Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9 am-10 am
- * Food Truck Takeover - Tuesday's (11-pm) First Saturday of the month (5:30 p.m.-9 p.m.)
- * Softball Tournaments (Rentals)

Upcoming Activities

Summer Day Camp - will be held at Coe Park from June 7th through August 6th, 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. ages 5-12 (9 weeks)

Open House for Summer Day Camp will be Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

- * Plunge Slide Repair
- * Swim Lessons
- * Water Aerobics and Lap Swim
- * Hanford Carousel \$2 per ride (Thursday night Market 5:30 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.)
- * Plunge will be open as of June 5, 2021
- * Zumbathon on May 21, 2021 6-9 p.m. \$10 advance/\$15 day of the event

- * New Soccer Goals were put in at Coe Park

Vice-Commissioner Strawn asked regarding the Tuesday Food Truck Lunch? Supervisor da Silva responded that it was postponed due to the lack of interest.

Commissioner Castleman requested that the restrooms during Thursday Night Market remain open longer. Supervisor da Silva responded that they could be left open up until 9:30 p.m.

Commissioner Hudgins asked regarding the scholarship program. Supervisor da Silva informed Commissioner Hudgins that there was only one applicant and he would be reaching out on social media to inform them that there is financial assistance.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Proposed Peoples Ditch Trail

Director Albert presented the Commission with the Proposed Peoples Ditch Trail

- * Runs North to South through the community
- * 4.65 miles long
- * Width: between 75 to 56 feet
- * Non-contiguous in places
- * Peoples Ditch Company has asked for a proposal for a trail from Flint to Fargo Avenues.
- * Working with Urban Tree Foundation and 4-Creeks Engineering.

Primary Proposal:

Create a Class 1 walking/biking trail along the West side of the Peoples Ditch. Cost estimate: \$2,102,676 (\$340 linear foot)

Secondary Proposal:

Pipe the ditch to create a linear park (greenway). This option would create a 10-Acre greenway. Cost estimate: \$6,167,000 (\$1,000 linear foot)

Vice-Commissioner Strawn recommended that the Bike Master Plan be revisited and consider a joint meeting with the Planning Commission.

COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS OF INTEREST

Vice-Commissioner Strawn recommended that the Bike Master Plan be revisited and consider a joint meeting with the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Castleman informed Commission that the old YMCA building has implemented 10 pickleball courts.

Chair Commissioner Kelley, Vice-Chair Commissioner Strawn, Commissioner Castleman, and Hudgins all agree that neighborhood parks should have half courts - basketball.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Commissioner Kelley adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosamaria Contreras
Administrative Technician