

Parks and Recreation Planning Board
Regular Session
February 5, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Doug Shockey, Chair
Donna de Chabert
Gail Marks
Donna Parrish
Cyndi Rushin
Drew Wight

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Ryan Gebhart

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Robin Reeves, Parks and Recreation Director
Renee Jordan, Park Planning Manager
Ron Smith, Park Services Manager
Michelle Hawkins, Arts, Culture and Heritage Manager
Susie Hergenrader, Recreation Superintendent
Matt Yager, Principal Budget Analyst

Doug Shockey, Parks and Recreation Planning Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at the Oak Point Park Nature and Retreat Center, 5901 Los Rios Blvd., Plano, Texas. A quorum was present.

Chairperson Shockey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No one appeared to speak during the Comments of Public Interest agenda item.

A motion to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2019 meeting was made by Drew Wight, seconded by Gail Marks, and approved 6-0.

Matt Yager, Principal Budget Analyst, Budget and Research Department, presented data comparing the City of Plano to other large cities in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Data analyzed included home values, tax rates, change in property tax rate, various tax relief measures and tax bill increases. The analysis will be completed annually.

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Susie Hergenrader, Recreation Superintendent, reported the Recreation Division developed a strategic plan, which includes a mission and vision statement. Susie reported repairs are being made to the Jack Carter Pool. Turner Construction Company is covering the majority of costs. She also reported that golf fees will be reassessed; the last increase was made in October 2016. The group discussed challenges golf courses encounter due to competition, location, and weather. Susie also reported that the Sam Johnson Recreation Center grand opening will be held on March 18.

Ron Smith, Park Services Manager, reported construction has begun on the maintenance shop to be located at Enfield Park. He reported the sports season has begun. Ron also briefed the board on the Carpenter Park North renovation project.

Michelle Hawkins, Arts, Culture and Heritage Manager, reported the special events policies are being rewritten. Michelle also provided information regarding recently held events as well as upcoming special events.

Renee Jordan, Chief Park Planner, provided updates on numerous park improvement projects and renovation projects.

Susie Hergenrader presented the results of the 2018 Needs Assessment Survey. Parks and Recreation Department partnered with the Library Department to save funds. Surveys were mailed to residents. Top needs were identified as well as needs not being met. Need percentages were relatively low for those not being met. It was concluded that the department is meeting the demand for services. The department will continue to invest in recreation facilities, wellness programs and classes, and consider an adult only recreation facility to be located centrally within the City.

The park tour scheduled for March 5 was discussed. A list of locations to visit will be finalized by staff.

Nothing further was discussed. Chairperson Shockey adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Doug Shockey, Chair

Date