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City Council holds groundbreaking for “Light the Island” project at Tranquility Island

Kerrville, Texas (March 7, 2022) – The Kerrville City Council recently held a groundbreaking for the “Light the Island” project at Tranquility Island within Louise Hays Park. This project will consist of the installation of electrical infrastructure on the island to expand the existing Christmas lighting program and to enhance activity programming opportunities year-round.

This project was funded jointly through the City of Kerrville’s Economic Improvement Corporation (EIC) and by the Kerrville Christmas Lighting Corporation (KCLC). The KCLC raised \$100,000 to contribute towards the project cost and the EIC provided a matching grant of the same. The City Council, the final approval authority of the EIC, supported the project and approved the funding agreement in 2021.

KCLC’s mission is to enhance Christmas lighting within the greater Kerrville area in order to promote Christmas spirit, tourism, and the quality of life.

This project will commence on Tuesday, March 8 and is expected to last three months.

Pursuant to City ordinance 74-2 and 74-5, the Kerrville Parks and Recreation Department would like to inform the public that parts of Tranquility Island and the River Trail on the island will be closed for the improvements until further notice. Please adhere to signage and barricades/barriers. For safety, do not walk, run, bike, or otherwise go past safety barriers as this will be an active construction site. Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we improve our parks.

For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (830) 257-7300, recreation@kerrvilletx.gov, visit the city's website at www.kerrvilletx.gov, or follow us on Facebook at City of Kerrville TX – City Hall or Instagram at cityofkerrville.



Pictured from left are: Director of Parks and Recreation Ashlea Boyle; Assistant City Manager Michael Hornes; KCLC Board Member Charlie McIlvain; City Manager E.A. Hoppe; KCLC President George Eychner; City Councilmember Judy Eychner; Mayor Bill Blackburn; City Councilmember Roman Garcia; City Councilmember Brenda Hughes; and Assistant City Manager Kim Meismer. Not pictured is City Councilmember Kim Clarkson.