

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS
OCTOBER 12, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT

Celeste Hamman, Chair; Erik Silvius, Wayne Uecker, David Bartels, Lynda Ables, Karen Yanez, Morgan Bond

ABSENT MEMBERS

Dr. Charles Huebner, Vice-Chair; Matthew Thurlow

STAFF PRESENT

Ashlea Boyle, Director of Parks and Recreation; Malcolm Matthews, Consultant; Tina North, Office Manager

CALL TO ORDER

On Tuesday, October 12, 2021 the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board special meeting was called to order by Celeste Hamman, Chair at 4:21 p.m. in the Kerrville-Schreiner Park Recreation Hall.

INVOCATION

Offered by Karen "Michelle" Yanez

Erik Silvius arrived at 4:24 p.m.

1. VISITOR / CITIZENS FORUM

None.

2. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

2A. Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan Update

Malcolm Matthews distributed the Kerrville Parks and Recreation Master Plan Steering Committee List of Possible Projects – 10 yr. Parks and Recreation Master Plan handout. Handout included:

- a. Goals and Objectives (Guiding Principles) in 2050 plan by category
- b. Actions and projects identified under each "Guiding Principle" (not prioritized)
- c. Scoring format for Prioritization of Actions / Projects

Highlights in draft reflect the following:

- o TPWD Requirements – details to be included, actions to be addressed
- o Capitals improvements listed in 2050 Comp Plan / draft (TPWD interest)
- o City staff identified projects
- o P & R Board identified projects

Goals and Objectives – (Guiding Principles – 2050 Comp Plan) defined have been grouped into three primary categories – Respect the Natural Environment, Regulations and Funding, and Connecting People and Places. The order in which the Guiding Principles are depicted does not represent priority of importance or implementation sequence.

- o Respect the Natural Environment:

Guiding Principle 1 – to enhance the aesthetics and mitigate the ecological impacts of development on the River corridor while reserving scenic views and the natural beauty of the area.

Guiding Principle 2 – to identify, educate, and promote the use of natural and native flora and fauna on private and in public places.

Guiding Principle 3 – to preserve and protect the natural riparian buffer (natural vegetation surrounding the river) and ensure that development prioritizes and environmental responsibility and a respect for natural areas.

o **Regulations and Funding:**

Guiding Principle 4 – to update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, other applicable codes and ordinances, and capital planning and funding priorities to support Kerrville 2050.

Guiding Principle 5 – to focus on enhancing / investing in existing parks, their purpose or repurpose, and improving accessibility before acquiring land for new parks.

Guiding Principle 6 – to focus on connecting businesses, neighborhoods, major destinations, and other amenities with parks, open spaces, and the River corridor.

o **Connecting People and Places:**

Guiding Principle 7 – to promote and market all City parks and recreation amenities, including the Guadalupe River.

Guiding Principle 8 – to provide recreational opportunities for people of all ages and abilities, both residents and tourists.

Actions and Projects – list submitted by steering committee and set by “Guiding Principles” listed above for prioritization.

Scoring Format – while the City’s 2050 Comprehensive Plan is being used as the guide for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, it covers a 30 yr. period, whereas the Parks and Recreation Master Plan covers 10 yrs., so project prioritization is needed to identify the most in-demand projects. To meet that end, a scoring format will be used for the Parks and Recreation Board (steering committee) to rank all potential projects and determines the ones to be included in the 10 yr. Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Board members were asked to rate the project with a score of between 1 (least important) to 5 (most important). Once each board member’s scores have been tabulated, staff will develop a first draft list of 10 yr. projects. The list will be used at the Public Input Meeting as a starting point to finalize the projects list. The board will then finalize the projects list and the plan document before being forwarded to the City Council for adoption.

Ashlea Boyle left at 5:22 p.m.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

APPROVED: Celeste Hamman
Celeste Hamman, Chair

DATE: 3/10/2022

ATTEST: ABoyle
Ashlea Boyle, Director of Parks and Recreation

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Tina North
Tina North, Office Manager