

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lisa Nye-Salladin, Erik Silvius, Wayne Uecker, Karen Yanez, Cabe Johnson, Nicholas Cantrell

ABSENT MEMBERS

Dr. Charles Huebner, Vice-Chair; Morgan Bond, David Bartels

STAFF PRESENT

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

CALL TO ORDER

On Thursday, June 23, 2022 the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board regular meeting was called to order by Wayne Uecker at 4:00 p.m. in the Recreation Hall at Kerrville-Schreiner Park.

INVOCATION

Offered by Wayne Uecker

1. VISITOR / CITIZENS FORUM

None.

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

2A Wayne Uecker introduced the three new board members elected to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Committee. Listed below are:

- Nicholas Cantrell
- Cabe Johnson
- Lisa Nye-Salladin

Ashlea Boyle introduced Deidre Flores as the new Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3A Approval of minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board regular meeting held on March 10, 2022. Michelle Yanez motioned to approve minutes as presented; motion was seconded by Lisa Nye-Salladin and passed 5-0.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

4A Chair

Lisa Nye-Salladin made a motion to nominate Nicholas Cantrell for chair; the motion was seconded by Michelle Yanez and passed 5-0.

4B Vice-Chair

Michelle Yanez made a motion to nominate Wayne Uecker for vice-chair; the motion was seconded by Lisa Nye-Salladin and passed 5-0.

Erik Silvius arrived at 4:10 p.m.

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

5A Singing Wind Park Master Plan – Malcolm Matthews gave presentation and discussed the following:

Mr. Matthews began the presentation by listing the current uses and facilities at Singing Wind Park. At the present time, Singing Wind Park has the following: a playground, ballfields, a skate park, an Olympic size pool, hiking and biking trails, a maintenance storage, and an existing parking lot.

Site Challenges

- Diverging park interests
- Expanding are development and traffic conflicts
- Existing gas main / possible relocation
- Erosion / trail use
- Facility repurposing
- Alternative locations for park uses
- Park development cost

Specific Recommendations for Singing Wind Park

- Develop Singing Wind Park Master Plan
- Repurpose lit softball fields – consider Dog Park, pump track, disc golf, BMX track
- Enhance / expand Skate Park; upgrade Skate Park lighting
- Add trail benches to backside of park
- Add on-street parking to Olympic Drive
- Consider additional park entrance – Olympic Dr. and Loop 534 area (parking / trail access)
- Develop as a “bike park” with multiple features; add “flow” mountain bike trail
- Olympic Pool – address short term maintenance and code issues
- Develop Olympic Pool Feasibility Study findings (heat pool, update diving area, add competitive swim and lap swimming features, use solar power)

General City-Wide Park Recommendations Relative to Singing Wind Park

- Upgrade playgrounds (shade, accessibility for all, safety)
- Tree planting; native landscaping
- Add more dog parks
- Add Wi-Fi, security cameras, recycling stations
- Develop alternative modes of travel to parks
- Improve connection of neighborhoods to parks
- Improve storm water runoff / erosion through best management practices

Next Steps

Develop concepts and implementation approach; develop alternative themed concepts for public input and prioritization. Prepare scope, cost estimates and phasing.

- Additional feedback and comments from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Committee are due, via email to Mrs. Boyle by July 5th.
- Public input meeting will be scheduled on July 20th at 5:30 p.m. at the Dietert Center.
- A special meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will be scheduled on August 17th at 5:30 p.m. at the Dietert Center to gather all the information / input.
- PRAB regular meeting for adoption of the Singing Wind Master Plan – September 8th at 4:30 p.m. at the Library to approve and adopt the Singing Wind Master Plan.

- City Council Joint Workshop with Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for Singing Wind Master Plan – September 20th at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall to present Singing Wind Master Plan to City Council for approval in September 2022.
- City Council Meeting to adopt the Singing Wind Master Plan by Resolution – September 27th at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

The board was asked to provide Mrs. Boyle with any additional feedback or comments that were not already identified in today's presentation of the Master Plan for Singing Wind Park by July 5, 2022.

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- 6A Mrs. Nye-Salladin asked the board to consider moving the board meeting day and time to a different day. Due to scheduling issues, Mrs. Nye-Salladin discussed with the board members the possibility of moving upcoming board meetings to Thursdays in the afternoon.
- Nicholas Cantrell made a motion to reschedule board committee meetings to Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Erik Silvius and passed 6-0.

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Singing Wind Master Plan

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

- 8A Mrs. Boyle announced that she had provided the board the director's report.

9. ADJOURNMENT

5:42 p.m.

APPROVED: _____

Nicholas Cantrell, Chair

DATE: _____

9/8/2022

ATTEST: _____

Ashlea Boyle, Director of Parks and Recreation

RECORDING SECRETARY: _____

Tina North, Office Manager