

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

April 11, 2024

9:05 AM

CALL TO ORDER

Malcolm Williams called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

DEVOTION

Luke McCoy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT/ABSENT

Zone 1 – Amanda Glugover - Absent

Zone 2 – Linda Smiley - Present

Zone 3 – Theresa Quattrociocchi - Absent

Zone 4 – Carol Kilian - Present

Zone 5 – Malcolm Williams - Present

Zone 6 – DaVita Bonner - Present

At Large – Luke McCoy - Present

OTHERS PRESENT

Keith Willis – Director of Parks & Rec.

Lubna Nisa– Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from March 14, 2024, meeting was approved.

COMMISSION MEETINGS:

Keith Willis – No Update

OLD BUSINESS:

Meeting Locations:

- Malcom Williams said that there is an addition to the meeting schedule. Each meeting will be dedicated to each member of the board.

Meeting Date	Location	Dedicated to
5/9/2024	Schnebly Center Ballroom	Malcolm Williams
6/13/2024	Dickerson Activity Building	Theresa Quattrociocchi
7/11/2024	City Hall Room 149 B	Luke McCoy
8/8/2024	Cherry Center Multipurpose Room	Carol Kilian
9/12/2024	Sunnyland Building	DaVita Bonner
10/10/2024	Peninsula Club	Amanda Glugover
11/14/2024	Dickerson Center Gym	Theresa Quattrociocchi
12/12/2024	YSG Theatre Room	Carol Kilian

Malcolm said that he is going to chair the meeting and make the members a co-host of that meeting, in this way you can highlight your desired topic for discussion in that meeting.

Meeting Schedules

- Carol requested to switch her meeting with DaVita Bonner and the request was accepted.
- Malcolm said that the final schedule will be sent out by the secretary.
- Luke said if the problem arises then it will be upon board members to contact other members and make changes and then inform the secretary who will send out the change.
- Malcolm said yes and he explained that co-hosting is not an obligation, if you cannot host your turn that would be okay as well.

Ex-officio Members:

- Carol said we don't have to change our bylaws for ex-officio members, we will invite them as guests and be a part of our meetings and give us updates. Those will be Youth Advisory Board and Community Relations Representatives.
- Keith said we will have one designated person from Youth Advisory Board, we are working on that.

Contacting the Organizations for Adopt the Park:

- Keith said Luke sent out the information about adopting the parks. He also said he will contact Directors of other cities in the meeting as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

Keith gave the update:

- We had the Annual Easter Beach Run, which turned out great, we had several hundred runners.
- Seafood Festival is coming on April 27, 2024.
- Daisy Stocking Park Reopening is on April 20, 2024.

Kaitlyn Prestwood Updates:

- I am here to invite you personally to the Grand reopening of Daisy Stocking Park on April 20th. You all will be our VIPs. You will have VIP wristbands and VIP seating will be reserved for you all.
- We will have LA Robinson Streetlight Band will be live on that night and Ribbon cutting will be at 5:00pm. Then we will have tours of the park.
- The Seafood Festival will be on the following weekend.
- Malcolm asked if our VIP invite list will include our guest as well or if it will be just us.
- Kaitlyn said you can bring your guest and if you inform us ahead of time, we will make sure to arrange seats for them as well. Kaitlyn provided her email address.

Keith Willis Updates:

- We are planning Advisory Boards Appreciation Dinner for you. Information will be coming out soon via email.
- Malcolm asked Keith to find out about the legality of this board of going out for dinner on our own.
- Carol said that you are allowed to do that, but you must publicly announce that.
- Keith continued with the updates: he said Daisy Stocking Park is ready and only fencing needs to be installed, and it should be complete by the grand re-opening.
- North Street Park, \$300,000 set aside for it. Plans have been redesigned to give estimated cost. We have been doing it for 3 years, designs have been coming more than what we must spend. Also, we are going to put restrooms there as well.

- At Daytona Stadium we got a container for officials, because the locker room is very small and container will provide them with a nice area with air conditioner, tables, and chairs to change or rest. We have plans and money to build it also, but we are looking for a location right now.
- Water proofing and floor reconditioning project at the YSG Center has been completed.
- Fire Station 3 has been redesigned but the design has been delayed.
- Dickerson Center Rest Rooms project is still going on. They hired a tile person, but the work does not look professional. Sometimes the lowest bid is not the best bid. So, everything needs to be done again.
- Dickerson Gym floor leak has been repaired.
- Campbell Pool is waiting on third proposal, and best bid to replace all the tiles of rim of the pool and that's going to be \$6000.
- Sunnyland new playground is start now and we are going to have new press box and old press box is coming down and shifted behind home play. Old one was on the left side of the home play from where it was hard to see. The basketball court at Sunnyland Park will look like the Schnebly's Basketball court.
- We have a public input meeting on Tues May 28th at Peninsula Club at 6pm for Master Plans.

Justin Vallejo Updates:

- We are issuing the City Manager's biweekly report.
- Parks and Recreation Newsletter is coming out.
- We have flyers for the reopening of Daisy Stocking Park.
- We are going to have three meetings for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- We have swim lessons and Swim League is going on through August only in Cypress right now because Campbell closed. When Campbell pool opens, we will have at both locations. Accepting kids from 7 years all the way up to adults.
- We are hiring seasonal lifeguards as well.
- The Seafood Festival has been advertised for April 27, 2024.
- Music Concert Series is already announced.
- Summer Camp registrations have been started.
- We are focusing on advertising our Parks. We highlighted Tusawilla Park 2-3 weeks ago. We did Lenox Park, Suburbia Park, and Collins Park. We are trying to let people know what the amenities and timings are.
- We advertise this meeting and all public meetings of City as well as Facebook.
- We are creating trifold brochures for each community center showing hours of operation, location, program, and classes.
- Keith said that we are still going to do the booklet that we were working on.
- The digital sign is going to be up at Cherry Center, after which we will be able to advertise all our events and programs there. Keith said that it will be on George Engram side in front.
- Malcolm asked after hearing about the Master Plan Input Meeting, it feels like respectfully, the City Manager office and this Board is competing. So, can you tell me what exactly is the master plan input meeting concerning, or what is its purpose? I want to make things smooth.
- Justin said that this meeting is about getting an idea of public opinion, ideas and concerns about Parks and Recreation Department. For example, if they want to see a playground, new benches etc. in a certain park they can give us some input.
- Malcolm asked that If you guys can give us a timeline on when the city manager office is going to take the input from all three of these meetings and on this basis our subcommittee will make some

recommendations. This way we will be working side by side instead of competing. That's my only request.

- Carol said our subcommittee includes Theresa, Amanda, and Carol.
- **Carol asked Linda if she wanted to join the subcommittee and Linda said yes to it.**
- Justin said you can also contact Kaitlyn about meetings, she has more information about them.
- Malcolm said that the City Manager's updates are amazing and it's a great idea.
- Justin said we are adding a Newsletter for Parks and Recreation Department, and we do the City Employee Spotlight in it.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Frances Chew: Samuel Butts Park has a lot of littering.

Rick Brown: Zone 1 has no public park. We have a vacant property, 2010 South Peninsula Drive. It belongs to City. **We should create a park on 2010 S. Peninsula Drive Vacant City property.** Millions of taxpayer dollars are being spent all over the city but not one penny in zone one. We still haven't gotten a fence at the river access down at Bridgeport Heights. We still haven't gotten our bench down there as well. I really wish this board would advise the commission to do something with the property of 2010 and give zone 1 a park. The city owned it for a long time, there was a house there, but it burnt down. I've tried to talk to the mayor about it and I wish you would advise that we buy an additional 10 feet on the north side of 2010 S. Peninsula Drive and create that as a green belt buffer. Linda asked how big is the property? Rick Brown said that the property size is a little over 73,000 square feet, about 2 acres, but if you add the property above the water line, it's going to be over two acres.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Zone 2 – Linda Smiley – No comments.

Zone 4 – Carol Kilian – It was a good meeting, and received an email about adopting the Park, it's very useful.

Zone 5 – Malcolm Williams – No comments.

Zone 6 – DaVita Bonner - It was very informative, and I appreciated getting the information we received.

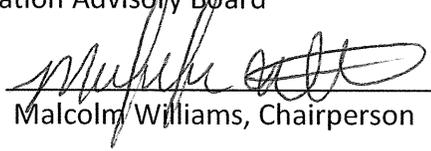
At Large – Luke McCoy - No comments.

Keith Willis - We are struggling in hiring for the Summer Camp. So far only 7 have cleared the background check. They are not following through the finger printing and drug testing. We inform them that once you make an appointment you cannot change it because it makes you look guilty. Hourly rates for summer workers are another issue. Crystals is offering \$17 an hour and we are offering \$13. I talked to the City Manager about that, but the issue is that if we give summer workers a higher rate, we will have a problem in finding regular days workers.

ADJOURNMENT

April 11, 2024, 9:44 am

Malcolm Williams-Chairperson
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Reviewed by: 
Malcolm Williams, Chairperson

5-9-24
Date

Transcribed by: Lubna Nisa, Board Secretary