

## JOINT MEETING

APRIL 21, 2022

The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Board and the McKinney Community Development Corporation (MCDC) of the City of McKinney met in joint session at Old Settler's Recreation Center at 1201 E. Louisiana St. McKinney, Texas on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 5:06 p.m.

Board members Present: PROS Chair Kip Dixon, Sean Nance, Windy Gallagher, Kelvin Thomas, Samuel Franklin, Leslie Warren, Bruce Mead, LuAnne Malnory, MCDC Chair Angela Richardson-Woods, Vice Chair Kathryn McGill, Secretary David Kelly, Treasurer Mary Barnes-Tilley, Rick Glew, Deborah Bradford, David Riche, and Joy Booth

Absent: Boyd Pelley

Liaisons Present: MCDC Board member Jackie Brewer and Councilman Patrick Cloutier

Staff Present: MCDC President Cindy Schneible, MCDC Administrative Assistant & Marketing Coordinator Linda Jones, Deputy City Secretary Joshua Stevenson, Director of Parks & Recreation Michael Kowski, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation Ryan Mullins, Parks Superintendent Marty Sillito, Parks Planning & Development Manager Jenny Baker, Parks Planning Manager Jill Yount, Parks Planner II Michael Duree, Parks Planner April Butler, Assistant Aquatics Supervisor Griffin White, Communications & Media Specialist Tony Adamo, and Parks & Recreation Executive Assistant Flora Ray

**22-0332** Deputy City Secretary Stevenson presented an update for the 2022 McKinney Board & Commission Member Appointments

**22-0333** Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Samuel Franklin, seconded by Board member Kelvin Thomas to approve the Minutes of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of February 10, 2022

**22-0334** Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Kelvin Thomas, seconded by Board member Sean Nance to approve a recommendation to City Council to rename the Old Settler's Aquatics

Center Located at 1101 E. Louisiana Street to the Gilda Garcia Garza Aquatic Center.

Chairman Dixon called for any citizen comments and there were none.

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Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Samuel Franklin, seconded by Board member Bruce Mead, to adjourn the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Board meeting at 5:43p.m.

MCDC Chair Angela Richardson-Woods called the Joint meeting to order at 6:08p.m.

#### JOINT AGENDA ITEMS

**22-0335** Director of Parks & Recreation Michael Kowski gave a presentation on the Project Updates and Priorities for Funding. Projects such as the completion of the Old Settler's Recreation Center which won the McKinney Chamber of Commerce Awards Development Project of the Year; the only City project to win to date. The Towne Lake Master Plan is in progress and a design will be chosen soon; information kiosks are now in place in Historic Downtown McKinney; the newly opened Prestwyck Park continues to draw residents from all over the City and the parks planners are working with Engineering to alleviate parking issues. The Hub at Erwin Park is completed due to a collaboration with the Dallas Off-road Bicycle Association and many volunteer hours comprising of over 2,000 hours. The Board is invited to attend the Hub at Erwin Park Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00a.m. Gray Branch Park, with the help of the McKinney Parks Foundation, will soon open with 3 miles of nature trails. Director Kowski informed the Board about the necessity of closing parks along Wilson Creek during thunderstorms. Recent flooding at Towne Lake required a swift water rescue by the McKinney Fire Department. No injuries were reported. The

popular music series event, Party on the Patio, at the Recreation Center at Towne Lake drew large crowds who enjoy live bands in the spacious and inviting outdoor seating area of the rec center. Plans for opening the McKinney Greens Neighborhood Park are set for 2023; it is currently in the design phase. The tree planting event at Gabe Nesbitt Community Park only took 45 minutes thanks to the many volunteers that showed up to help. The indoor tennis construction at The Courts started and is on schedule. The USA Pickleball Mid-South Regional Championship returns after a successful event last year. Successes also continue in the Junior tennis division with 19-year-old Zach Svajda, coached by The Courts tennis operator Matt Hanlin, is a two-time Junior u18 National Champion and is the youngest to qualify for US Open in past 20 years. 16-year-old Junior player Liv Hovde is the top-seeded player on her third International Tennis Federation (ITF) Grade 1 title and currently ranks 9<sup>th</sup> in the ITF Junior Ranking. The Finch Park renovations, 100% funded by the MCDCC, is currently scheduled to re-open in Autumn. A new park in Robinson Ridge is in design with exciting new features such as rock climbing and bouldering. MCDCC Grant requests will be made for neighborhood playground upgrades, the Craig Ranch Sports Complex, McKinney Greens parks & trails, the Towne Lake Master Plan, a new mobile concert stage, and maintenance vehicles.

MCDCC Chair Angela Richardson-Woods called for Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. in accordance with the Texas Government Code:

A. Section 551.071(2) Consultations with Attorney on any Work Session, Special Session, or Regular Session agenda item requiring confidential attorney/client advice necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said items (as needed)

E. Section 551.087. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Matters

- Project Gemstone

MCDCC Chair Angela Richardson-Woods reconvened and opened the Joint Meeting at 8:01 p.m.

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The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Board and the McKinney Community Development Corporation (MCDC) Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Leslie Warren, seconded by Board member Bruce Mead to adjourn at 8:01p.m.

An audio recording of this meeting is available through the City of McKinney meeting archive.

These minutes approved by the PROS Board members on: \_\_\_\_\_

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KIP DIXON  
Chairman

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FLORA RAY  
Meeting Clerk