

## **PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD**

**October 13, 2022**

The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Board met in regular session at the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Conference Room, 1611 North Stonebridge Drive, McKinney, Texas on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 5:07 p.m.

Board members Present: Chair Boyd Pelley, Windy Gallagher, Samuel Franklin, LuAnne Malnory and Alternate Ric Anderson

Absent: Bruce Mead, Kelvin Thomas, Leslie Warren and Monica Escamilla

Liaisons Present: Patrick Cloutier, City Council

Staff Present: Director 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, Parks Planner II April Buter, and Parks & Recreation Administrative Assistant Jennifer Cook

**22-0925** Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Sam Franklin, seconded by Board member Windy Gallagher to elect LuAnne Malnory as Chair. Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member LuAnne Malnory, seconded by Board member Sam Franklin to elect Boyd Pelley as Vice Chair.

**22-0926** Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Boyd Pelley, seconded by Windy Gallagher to approve the Minutes of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of September 8, 2022.

**22-0927** Director Kowski then provided an update on various projects and events happening across the parks system. Highlights included a recap of the Gilda Garcia Garza Aquatic Center dedication ceremony, a review of a forthcoming project to place biographies of park namesakes on our website, an update on future modifications to the landscape medians on Virginia Ave. in front of Bonnie Wenk Parks to make them safer and more

aesthetically pleasing and the announcement that Finch Park is officially open.

**22-0928** Parks Planning & Development Manager Jenny Baker presented an updated presentation of the DRAFT Trails Plan and Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan for new board members.

Chair Malnory called for any comments. Alternate Anderson asked if members would receive a full copy prior to any final action and Ms. Baker confirmed they would.

**22-0929** Director Kowski introduced updated master plan renderings and a flyover video for the Towne Lake renovation project. The presentation included enhancements in response to feedback from the Board and the MCDC. The direction was well received by the Board with general comments about building upon the natural feel of the park while integrating new features and enhancements. Staff will continue to move this project forward and return with more details for review and consideration as the plans develop. Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Windy Gallagher, seconded by Vice Chair Pelley to authorize City Council to execute a Professional Services Contract with LJA Engineering, of McKinney, Texas for Professional Planning and Engineering Services for The Dog Park and Play Zone at Towne Lake Park.

**22-0930** Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Sam Franklin, seconded by Board member Windy Gallagher to Execute a Professional Services Contract with LJA Engineering of McKinney, Texas, for Professional Planning and Engineering Services for the Design of the Light Walk at Towne Lake Park.

Chair Malnory called for any Board, MCDC Liaison, or Director Comments and there were none.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Sam Franklin, seconded by Vice Chair Pelley to adjourn at 6:22 p.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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LuAnne Malnory  
Chair

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MICHAEL KOWSKI  
Director of Parks & Recreation