

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

**DECEMBER 12, 2024**

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, December 12 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Chair Mead called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. upon determining a quorum consisting of Board Chair Mead and the following Board Members were present: David Clarke, Monica Escamilla, Osiola Henderson, Todd Burton, Bruce Mead, Leslie Warren

Board Members Absent: LuAnne Malnory, Mohammed Elhindi, Todd Royal

These Staff and City Council Members were present: Parks & Recreation Director Amy Kinkade, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director Ryan Mullins, Parks Planning & Development Manager Jenny Baker, Parks Superintendent Marty Sillito, Parks Planner April Butler, Parks Planner Dakota Cryer, Administrative Specialist Kara Dickson, Visit McKinney Liaison Keith Gall, MCDC Liaison David Riche and Councilman Patrick Cloutier.

There were 0 members of the public present in the audience.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS (For Non-Public Hearing Items)**

None

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**24-2251** Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of November 14, 2024

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Leslie Warren, seconded by Board member Monica Escamilla, to Approved and Referred 24-2251 Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of November 14, 2024

### **REPORTS**

**24-2252** Director's Report

Director Kinkade provided updates on the New City Hall and Gray Branch Parkland and McKinney Roots request. Discussions have been

postponed until more information has been provided by McKinney Roots.

Event updates included Billie Jean King Cup, Santa's Helper Toys for Tots, Breakfast with Santa and the East McKinney Learning Garden Ribbon Cutting. Project updates included playground replacements at Horizon and Aviator Parks, EA Randles Park, and Wilson Creek Greens Trail.

#### REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

- 24-2253** Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to City Council on a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Construction Contract for Construction of the McKinney Light Walk at Towne Lake Park (PK 4393)

Parks Planner II April Butler provided details on the McKinney Light Walk design and bid for construction. Additional details were provided to members including height of lights and programming and lighting possibilities and impact of the installation to the surrounding area and future phases of the Towne Lake Project.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member David Clarke, seconded by Board member Todd Burton, to Approved 24-2253 Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to City Council on a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Construction Contract for Construction of the McKinney Light Walk at Towne Lake Park (PK 4393)

PUBLIC COMMENTS Regarding Matters not on the Agenda: None

#### BOARD AND MANAGER COMMENTS

Board Chair Mead provided updates on the East McKinney Learning Garden progress, Ribbon Cutting and Presentation.

MCDC liaison David Riche expressed his excitement about the East McKinney Learning Garden and the Towne Lake Park project.

Visit McKinney liaison Keith Gall provided updates including the NCAA Division II Championship taking place on 12/21 at MISD stadium. Visit McKinney working towards another designation from Travel Texas. A new FC soccer team, McKinney Chupacabras is calling McKinney home with Ron Poe Stadium as their home field. Holiday sales have

been brisk at the Visit McKinney Store. With plenty of merchandise left for those looking for a Christmas gift.

Councilman Cloutier provided details on the Rotary Parade of Lights taking place this Saturday as well as updates on the City Hall move in, progress on Amphitheater project, negotiations for a Surf Park at Stacy and 121 with Cannon Beach, and City Council approved rezoning of properties around airport from light industrial to airport use.

#### ADJOURN

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Leslie Warren, seconded by Board member Monica Escamilla, to Approved ADJOURN at 5:32 p.m.

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

These minutes were approved by the PROS Board members on Thursday, January 9, 2025, and referred to the City Council Regular Meeting of Tuesday, January 21 for City Council approval.

#### SIGNED:

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BRUCE MEAD, Board Chair  
DAVID CLARKE, Board Vice Chair

#### ATTEST:

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KARA DICKSON, Meeting Clerk

City of McKinney, Texas