

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

**NOVEMBER 9, 2023**

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, November 9 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Chair Bruce Mead called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. upon determining a quorum consisting of Board Chair Mead and the following Board Members were present: Leslie Warren, Samuel Franklin, Windy Gallagher, David Clarke, LuAnne Malnory, Kevin Korenthal, and Todd Burton

Board Members Absent: Monica Escamilla

These Staff and City Council Members were present: Ryan Mullins, Parks & Recreation Interim Director, Jenny Baker, Interim Assistant Director, April Butler, Parks Planner II, Marty Sillito, Parks Superintendent, Kara Dickson, Administrative Specialist, Kayla Chrisman, Administrative Specialist, Councilman Patrick Cloutier, Joy Booth, MCDC Liaison, Emily McClure, Visit McKinney Liaison

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS (For Non-Public Hearing Items): None

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**23-0930** Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of October 12, 2023

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member LuAnne Malnory, seconded by Board member Leslie Warren, to Approved and Referred 23-0930 Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of October 12, 2023

### **REPORTS**

**23-0931** Director's Report

Interim Director Mullins provided updates on Erwin Park, Trick or Treat Trail event, EPIC-CON 2023, upcoming Veterans Day Ceremony and Bond Committee details. He also provided the details on an award won by the Parks Development for Excellence in Park Design for the Mary

Will Craig Park Design and the Excellence in Programming award won for the Trick or Treat Trail event.

#### REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

**23-0932** Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Samuel Franklin, seconded by Board member Windy Gallagher, to Approved 23-0932 Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to City Council Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Contract with LJA Engineering of McKinney, Texas, for Landscape Architectural and Engineering Services Related to the Design of the Wilson Creek Greens Trail Phase 2.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Regarding Matters not on the Agenda: None

BOARD AND MANAGER COMMENTS: Board Member Leslie Warren commented on making Gray Branch more of a natural setting like Central Park in New York City. Board Member LuAnne Malnory suggested reaching out to UTA students to submit designs for the project. Chair Bruce Mead mentioned the plans for planting additional wildflower seeds. Board Member Sam Franklin agreed with keeping Gray Branch as a more natural park setting.

Joy Booth, MCDC Liaison introduced herself and provided an update on MCDC business. Emily McClure, Visit McKinney Liaison introduced herself and provided Visit McKinney Updates. Councilman Cloutier provided an update on the Topping out ceremony at the City Hall construction site and information on the November 28<sup>th</sup> work session on redevelopment for Downtown City offices.

#### ADJOURN

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member David Clarke, seconded by Board member Leslie Warren, to Approved ADJOURN at 5:53 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 January 11, 2024, and referred to the City Council Regular Meeting of February 6, 2024, for City Council approval.

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BRUCE MEAD, Board Chair  
WINDY GALLAGHER, Board Vice Chair

ATTEST:

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KARA DICKSON, Meeting Clerk

City of McKinney, Texas