

PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD

APRIL 9, 2026

The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Board met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 401 E. Virginia Street, McKinney, Texas on Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Board Vice Chair Leslie Warren called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. upon determining a quorum consisting of Board Vice Chair Leslie Warren and the following Board Members were present: Mohammed Elhindi, Todd Burton, Bruce Mead, Osiola Henderson, Lauren Halsey, Brian Welneck

Board Members Absent: James Jenkins, David Clarke

These Staff and City Council Members were present: Parks & Recreation Assistant Director Robert Gaylor, Parks & Recreation Assistant Director Erica Lyght, Parks Planning & Development Manager Jenny Baker, Parks Planning Manager Jill Yount, Parks Construction Project Coordinator Dakota Cryer, Parks Planner II Justin Sterle, Support Services Financial Analyst Kayla Chrisman, Visit McKinney Liaison Taryne Bolton, Council Liaison 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

26-0288 Minutes of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of March 12, 2026

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Mohammed Elhindi, seconded by Board member Todd Burton, to Approve and Refer 26-0288 Minutes of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Board Meeting of March 12, 2026

REPORTS

26-0289 Director's Report

Parks & Recreation Assistant Director Robert Gaylor provided updates on past events. Past events included the Half Marathon, International

Girls Cup, Easter Egg Splash, Autism Acceptance Day and Party on the Patio. Employee milestones recognitions included 6 graduations, 2 engagements, 1 wedding and 1 retirement.

DISCUSSION ITEMS - No Action Taken

- 26-0290** Receive an Update on and Discussion of the FY26/FY27 Parks CIP Budget
Parks Development & Planning Manager Jenny Baker provided CIP updates on current and future projects.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

- 26-0291** 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 Grady Littlejohn Improvements (PK2448)

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Osiola Henderson, seconded by Board member Bruce Mead, to Table to Another Meeting 26-0291 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 Grady Littlejohn Improvements (PK2448)

PUBLIC COMMENTS Regarding Matters not on the Agenda: None

BOARD AND MANAGER COMMENTS: Board Member Bruce Mead provided an update on McKinney Parks Foundation and East McKinney Learning Garden updates. Vice Chair Leslie Warren mentioned Gray Branch being treated more as a dog park and asked about the possibilities of some signage. Visit McKinney liaison Taryne Bolton spoke about the Historic Half Marathon, Tony Adamo attending the Sports Event and Tourism Association symposium in Las Vegas to further help with their sports sales focus. The upcoming focus will be on the Byron Nelson Golf Tournament on May 21-23, 2026. Board Member Todd Burton asked about the World Cup and Airbnb's. Taryne did not feel like we would have a large number but will check into it for the next meeting.

Councilman Patrick Cloutier spoke about Arts in Bloom this weekend, the May 8th Ribbon Cutting at 10am at the new Fire Headquarters, May 9th Display Day at TKI Airport and demolition of Old City Hall and Development Services buildings starts next week, Destination Sports Complex survey has started with Parkhill and a mention of discontent with the restrooms access on the square during the MPAC building renovations.

ADJOURN

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Osiola Henderson, seconded by Board member Todd Burton, to Adjourn at 6:18 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 May 14, 2026 and referred to the City Council Regular Meeting of June 16, 2026 for City Council approval.

SIGNED:

DAVID CLARKE, Board Chair
LESLIE WARREN, Board Vice Chair

ATTEST:

KAYLA CHRISMAN, Meeting Clerk

City of McKinney, Texas