Minutes PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Regular Meeting
Held at Civic Center – Conference Room 202
September 10, 2013
6:00 PM

Members absent: Kenan Brandes, Jeremy Thomason and Amit (AV) Vaghela City Council Liaison in attendance: Kendal Hartley PARD Staff in attendance: Michael Massey, Roger Scott and Kelli Keath

Attending Commission Members:

Bob Dubey – Chairman Jeff Wright – Member Collin Hayes – Member Kevin Williams – Member

Susan Fischer – Member Pam Krause - Member

- 1. Chairman, Bob Dubey, declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.
- 2. Visitors: None
- 3. On a motion by Jeff Wright, seconded by Pam Krause, the minutes of the August 13, 2013 special meeting were approved.
- 4. Chairman's Report:
 - a) Introduction of new Park Commissioner, Kevin Williams
 - Chairman Bob Dubey introduced Kevin Williams as a new member of the Parks & Recreation Commission. Mr. Williams briefed the members on his past experience; after which all of the members welcomed him.
 - b) September 12th Special Meeting Reminder
 - Chairman Bob Dubey reminded members of the upcoming September 12th, special meeting that will take place in the Richardson Room, City Hall at 6:00 p.m. During this meeting the Park & Recreation Commission and the Arts Commission will meet together to discuss the Arts Master Plan. Mr. Dubey encouraged attendance from all members and explained the importance of sharing their ideas and input on the current and future goals of the Arts Commission.
 - c) Rescheduling of October 8th Regular Meeting
 - Chairman Bob Dubey asked members if the next scheduled regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting could be moved from October 8, 2013 to October 15, 2013. All of the members agreed that this calendar adjustment would be acceptable.
- 5. Huffhines Recreation Center, Spring Valley Athletic Association, Indoor Sports Center expansion overview and input.
 - Director Michael Massey and Assistant Director Roger Scott updated the members on the proposed Indoor Sports Center expansion project at the Huffhines Recreation Center.
 - Director Michael Massey gave a synopsis of the upcoming meeting with Spring Valley Athletic Association which will take place in October of this year. At this meeting, there will be a market analysis presented on the feasibility of a new Indoor Sports Center and a report will be given on the capital costs for this project.

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6. The Director's Report:

- a) Twin Rivers Glenville Land Study Update
 - Director Michael Massey and Assistant Director Roger Scott shared with the members the same presentation that was given September 5th at the Twin Rivers/Glenville Land Study public meeting.
 - Assistant Director Roger Scott walked the members through a presentation of the three different concept plans for the new Glenville Park Land; The Native Open Space Concept, The Formal Concept and the Educational Concept.
 - Director Michael Massey highlighted which elements the public favored and the cost estimate for each concept. Director Michael Massey will share the results with City Council in October to receive further direction on the conceptual design for the park.

b) Cottonwood Art Festival & 2013 Wildflower Update

- Director Michael Massey refreshed the members with information on this year's Fall Cottonwood Art Festival. The festival will take place the weekend of October 5th. Mr. Massey reminded the members of the annual dinner that takes place the Friday before the festival.
- Member, Pam Krause inspired the other members to come early and mingle with the artists.
- Director Michael Massey updated members on Wildflower. This event is scheduled to take place the third weekend in May.
- Director Michael Massey educated the board on the City of Plano's contract with Live Nation which includes a similar event to Wildflower which will also take place in May. Their contract specifically states that their event cannot take place the same weekend as The City of Richardson's Wildflower but will most likely occur the same weekend as Cottonwood Art Festival.

c) Corporate Challenge Update

- Director Michael Massey updated the board on Corporate Challenge. Some of the highlights that were shared included the amount of growth the program has experienced in its 16 years. Mr. Massey noted that Corporate Challenge is one of the most well received programs the City offers. He explained how Corporate Challenge benefits Special Olympic of Texas in its many ways.
- Director Michael Massey reported that Opening Ceremony was a success; it commenced on August 16th with 3,500 people attending. Mr. Massey asked the board to take note of the Closing Ceremony which will take place on October 18, 2013 at The Richardson Civic Center and invited them to attend.

d) 2010 Bond Program Update

Assistant Director Roger Scott gave a report on the 2010 Bond Program, Proposition 2
Parks & Recreation. He announced that 92% of the projects in the program are either
under construction or have been completed.

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- 7. Park & Recreation Commission round table of community interest items.
 - Member Pam Krause commented on "The Amazing Road Rally" held by Leadership Richardson. The rally was part of a leadership orientation and its members visited 12 historical stops. The rally took place on September 5, 2013.
 - Member Jeff Wright announced that he continues to hear positive feedback regarding the new Heights Family Aquatic Center. Further, he informed the members that his 3 year old daughter had her birthday party at the Richardson Gymnastics Center. He expressed how pleased the experience was.
 - Member Collin Hayes proclaimed that this past weekend his 6 year old child took off on their bike without training wheels.
 - Member Susan Fisher declared that her grandson, Christopher Fisher, a freshman at Pearce High School made the Varsity Soccer Team.
 - Member Kevin Williams revealed that his neighbor explored McKamy Spring Park and was delighted. It was suggested that a historical monument be added to the park's design. Member Pam Krause volunteered to help with the process of obtaining a monument.

Being no further business, on a motion by Pam Krause, seconded by Collin Hayes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Minutes approved at October 15, 2013, regular meeting:

Bob Dubey, Chairman

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Kelli Keath, City of Richardson Parks & Recreation Department