**Minutes**

# PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

**Regular Meeting**
**Held at Civic Center – Conference Room 202**
**February 11, 2014**
**6:00 PM**

*Members absent: Kevin Williams*
*City Council Liaison in attendance: Kendal Hartley*
*PARD Staff in attendance: Shanna Sims-Bradish, Michael Massey, Robbie Hazelbaker, Roger Scott and Kelli Keath*

## Attending Commission Members:

Kenan Brandes – Chairman
Susan Fischer – Member
Pam Krause - Member
Gene Fitch, Jr. – Member
Jeremy Thomason – Vice Chairman
Amit (AV) Vaghela – Member
Jeanne Hooker – Member
Collin Hayes - Member

**Visitors:** None

1. Chairman, Kenan Brandes, declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. On a motion by Susan Fischer, seconded by Jeanne Hooker, the minutes of the January 14, 2014 regular meeting were approved with the exception of three corrections.

3. State of the City Finances as it relates to the City Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015

   - Shanna Sims-Bradish, Assistant City Manager gave a presentation that included an overview of the general fund, projected revenues and key expenditure assumptions for 2014-2015 & beyond.

4. April 15th Priority List Discussion

   - A discussion took place centered on the Commission Members' ideas and suggestions for the upcoming April 15th priority list.

5. Chairman's Report

   a) Reminder of the next upcoming PARC Meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2014

   - Chairman, Kenan Brandes reminded members that the next regularly scheduled meeting will take place on March 18th.

6. Director's Report

   a) Aquatic Operations Follow-Up Discussion

   - Director Michael Massey informed members that City Council has shared their support for the proposed changes to aquatic offerings for the 2014 season. Some of those changes include keeping the same 12 week season for all five pools as in previous years with the option to extend the season into the week prior to school starting if possible, move swim lessons to the existing four pools only, open the Heights Family Aquatic Center two hours earlier as a leisure pool only and to increase both the cost and number of participants for reservations.

b) 2010 Bond Project Update

- Assistant Director Roger Scott gave an overview on the 2010 Bond Program's completed projects, the projects still in design and or under construction and other capital improvement projects funded from grants. He reported that both Central Trail South and Glenville Park are 75% complete and that the playground redevelopment projects are underway.

c) Dog Park Update on Planning

- Assistant Director Roger Scott updated members on the progress of the Dog Park project. A survey of the site has been completed and the consultants submitted the design development drawings. These drawings will be reviewed by planning and operations staff. After which the next step will include construction documents and planning. Estimated completion of this project is fall of 2014.

7. Park & Recreation Commission round table of community interest items

- Member Jeremy Thomason asked for an update on Custer Park. Assistant Director Roger Scott responded to this by stating Custer Park would be receiving a new playground. The site of the new playground will have a more northern location.
- Assistant Director, Robbie Hazelbaker shared that the vacant position for Corporate Recreation Manager has been filled. Kyle McClure will be joining the Parks staff on February 17, 2014. He is very excited about this new recruitment.
- Chairman Kenan Brandes reported that the 1st meeting regarding the Public Arts Initiative went well. He encouraged members to view the Arts Master Plan and provide feedback.

Being no further business, on a motion by Amit (AV) Vaghela, seconded by Pam Krause, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by*
*Kelli Keath, City of Richardson Parks & Recreation Department*

Minutes approved at March 18, 2014, regular meeting:

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