



BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

January 12, 2015

5:30 p.m. Basement Trost Conference Room
801 Texas Ave., City Bldg. 3, El Paso, Texas

MINUTES

<u>Members Present: 5</u> District 3 – Deanna A. De La Cruz District 4 – Roy Gilyard District 5 – Theresa Welch Fordham District 6 – Francoise A. Feliberti District 8 – Ana P. Roush	<u>Members Absent: 3</u> District 1 – David Turner District 2 – Adam Gurrola District 7 – Sylvia Carreon
<u>City Staff Present</u> <i>Parks and Recreation</i> Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director Paula Powell, Interim Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Joel McKnight, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Steve Lunsford, Park Area Superintendent Maggie Binkley, Administrative Assistant	<u>Vacancies: 1</u> Mayor – Vacant <i>General Services</i> Not present <i>City Attorney</i> Not present
<u>Public Present</u> None	

1. Agenda Item #1. Meeting Called to Order
Theresa Welch Fordham, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m., late start due to waiting for members to arrive to achieve a quorum. (*late arrival Ana Roush 5:38 p.m.*)
2. Agenda Item #2. Approval of Minutes: November 10, 2014
Motion by Roy Gilyard to approve minutes as written. Second by Francoise Feliberti. Motion carried (unanimous).
3. Agenda Item #3. Call to the Public (for items not on the agenda)
None

4. Agenda Item #4. Distribution: Parks and Recreation Calendar and Newsletter

Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director, highlighted the Calendar of Events and the Newsletter:

- Celebration of Lights at Cleveland Square
- Aquatics Job Fair
- Youth Scholarship Program on the rise
- New Parks under construction

Discussion ensued on the UTEP Golden Age Fitness Program and lack of promoting eastside activities and programs at Park facilities.

5. Agenda Item #5. Update and Discussion: Park Maintenance Activities – Steve Lunsford, Park Superintendent.

Steve Lunsford Park and Recreation Park Superintendent reviewed the following activities:

- Continued pruning and removal of dead trees
- Replacing screening material lost by heavy rains
- Cleaning play areas
- Examining Fibar – Engineered Wood Fibers in playground areas.

Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that the Parks Department is currently surveying all City park conditions. Report to be completed in approximately 30 – 45 days.

6. Agenda Item #6. Kern View Estates Update – Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director

Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director, gave the Board an update on the Kern View Estate development. Agenda Item on City Council was postponed and developer is in the process of procuring an appraisal.

7. Agenda Item #7. Reports on Recent Activity

- a. Recent City Council Agenda Items List
- b. Upcoming Committee Meetings List
- c. Land Acquisition List
- d. Parks and Recreation Construction Projects Lists

Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director, stated the reports on recent activity referenced above are included in the packet and are also public record on the City's website.

Mr. Novak gave an update on Westside, Chelsea, and Pavo Real Pools. Discussion followed on the Lomaland Recreation Center, the Sports Complex, and San Jacinto Park completion February 2015.

8. Agenda Item #11. Discussion and Action: Subcommittee Assignments (as needed)

No action taken.

9. Agenda Item #12. Identify Items for Future Agendas

- UTEP Golden Age Fitness Program
- Recreation Programs – Promoting activities
- Pico Norte PSB Update
- Negotiations with City and County for park land (pros & cons)

10. Adjournment - 6:43 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Maggie Binkley, Administrative Assistant