

Minutes
PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Regular Meeting
City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.
City Manager's Conference Room, 202
March 15, 2016
6:00 PM

Members Absent: Collin Hayes, Gene Fitch, Jr., Kevin Williams, Jim Bailey

PARC Staff in attendance: Lori Smeby, Roger Scott, Yvonne Falgout, Sarah Patton

Attending Commission Members:

Jeremy Thomason – Chairman

Susan Fischer - Member

Victor Garza, Member

Jeanne Hooker - Member

Pam Krause - Member

Visitors: No visitors

1. Chairman Jeremy Thomason declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. Chairman Jeremy Thomason acknowledged that there were no visitors in attendance.
3. On a motion from member Pam Krause and seconded by member Jeanne Hooker, the minutes from the February 9, 2016 regular meeting were approved.
4. Chairman's Report
 - Chairman Jeremy Thomason led the commission members through a brief discussion about scheduled park visits.
 - Member Pam Krause asked Director Lori Smeby and Assistant Director Roger Scott about routine cleanup in the parks so that members are aware of what is considered normal at this time of year. Mr. Scott informed the Parks and Recreation Commission of the work that has been completed by parks maintenance staff this year so far. Members briefly discussed observations from Crowley, Custer, McKamy Spring, and Richland Parks. Linear parks will be discussed at April 12 regular meeting.
5. April 15th Priority List
 - Chairman Jeremy Thomason led the Parks and Recreation Commission members in a discussion about the upcoming April 15th Priority List while reviewing the draft that was compiled after the March 15, 2016 regular meeting. Members will continue to review the draft and will be prepared to finalize the letter at the April 12 regular meeting.

6. Parks & Recreation Director's Report

A) Bond Update FY2016

- Director Lori Smeby stated that the Spring Creek Nature Area trail is still in the process of being surveyed. Once this step is complete, designs will be made and the project will move forward.

B) Capital Projects Update FY2016

- Assistant Director Roger Scott updated the Parks and Recreation Commission on the status of the work taking place at Lookout Park. The playground has been completed and has received positive feedback from the community. Member Victor Garza commented on the popularity and positive reception of the playground as well. The overall project should be complete by the fall.

C) Aquatics Update

- As a follow up to the February regular meeting, Director Lori Smeby shared that the Aquatics division has made the decision to allow pool rentals only on Saturday mornings, Saturday evenings, and Sunday mornings. Operation hours will remain the same, and staff will closely monitor the occupancy levels in the evenings to inform decisions in the future.

9. Adjourn

- A quorum was lost and Chairman Jeremy Thomason declared the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by
Sarah Patton, City of Richardson Parks & Recreation Department*

Minutes approved at the April 12, 2016 regular meeting:
