

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF PLANO PARKS AND RECREATION PLANNING BOARD WILL MEET FOR A REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, October 13, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M. VIA SKYPE TELEPHONE CONFERENCE.**

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Due to health and safety concerns related to COVID-19 and in compliance with the temporary suspension of Resolution 2019-3-2(R), Section II, the facility will not be open to the public. This meeting will be held via telephone conference. The Parks and Recreation Planning Board will participate remotely via telephone conference. A recording of the meeting will be available for public listening. Comments may be submitted electronically to sandrad@plano.gov by 1:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

### *Mission Statement*

*The mission of the Plano Parks and Recreation Planning Board is to provide visionary planning resulting in an outstanding parks and recreation system that positively impacts the quality of life in the Plano community.*

Public Comment

*The Parks and Recreation Planning Board will hear comments of public interest, but any discussion shall be limited to placing the item on a future agenda, if appropriate, or responding with factual or policy information. Remarks are limited to three minutes per speaker.*

1. Approval of Minutes from September 22, 2020 Parks and Recreation Planning Board Meeting
2. Consideration of a Request to Use a Portion of Hoblitzelle Park for an Utility Easement
3. Report on Oak Point Park & Nature Preserve Hillside Improvements, Phase II
4. Staff and Board Reports
  - a. Park Improvement Projects
  - b. Recreation Division Update
  - c. Parks Division Update
  - d. Special Events Update
5. Items for Future Agendas
6. Adjournment

**City of Plano  
Parks and Recreation Planning Board  
October 13, 2020 Meeting**

**Agenda Item 1**

*Approval of Minutes from September 22, 2020 Parks and  
Recreation Planning Board Meeting*

**Summary of Item**

The minutes from the September 22, 2020 meeting are included in your packet for your review and approval.

**Action Requested**

Approval

**Staff Resource**

Ron Smith

**Time Allotted**

5 minutes (6:30 – 6:35 p.m.)

**Parks and Recreation Planning Board  
Regular Session  
September 22, 2020**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Doug Shockey, Chair  
Scott Goebel  
Steve Lavine  
Neal Liang  
Gail Marks  
Rebecca Mattern – joined 6:35 p.m.  
Hayden Padgett  
Cyndi Rushin

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Donna Clark

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ron Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Renee Jordan, Park Planning Manager  
Susie Hergenrader, Recreation Services Manager  
David Angeles, Park Services Manager  
Michelle Hawkins, Arts, Culture and Heritage Manager  
K'Ann Parham, Business Manager  
Liz Del Turco, Senior Park Planner  
Ileana Fernandez, Assistant City Attorney III  
Officer Lauren Garcia, Plano Police Department

Chair Doug Shockey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 22, 2020, via videoconference. A quorum was present.

Chairperson Shockey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No one spoke during the Comments of Public Interest agenda item.

A motion to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2020 meeting was made by Steve Lavine, seconded by Gail Marks, and approved 7-0.

Christina Day, Director of Planning, reported on the status of the Parks, Recreation, Trails & Open Space Master Plan, Park Master Plan Map, and Bicycle Transportation Map since the repeal of the Plano Tomorrow Plan. Staff reported

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that although the Plano Tomorrow Plan was repealed, the park master plan and maps were approved as a stand-alone adoption.

David Angeles, Park Services Manager, stated he had updated the board during the July meeting regarding concerns raised by residents near the sand volleyball court at Overland Trail Park. The resident that had initiated the petition to have the court removed addressed the board during the August meeting during which the board asked that the item be placed on the September agenda. In March 2020 the COVID19 pandemic created a surge in overall usage of the entire Plano park system, including the sand volleyball court at Overland Park Trail. On May 11, 2020 staff were asked by a resident to (1) clarify responsibility of the Overland Trail Park sand volleyball court, (2) review maintenance practices, and (3) address impacts of increased volleyball activity which had begun in April 2020. A maintenance review of the sand volleyball court was initiated and review of the full linear park led to an improved maintenance approach to the green space and court. Concerns about volleyball activity were extensively investigated by Parks staff and Plano PD. Following more than one hundred (100) combined visits over sixteen (16) weeks, Plano staff were unable to substantiate reoccurring activity that violated park rules, City of Plano ordinances, nor verify nuisance concerns. Parks staff observed that the sand volleyball court had seen increased activity between April and July, with activity levels trending downward starting mid-July. Nine residents attended the meeting. One resident voiced an opinion to remove the sand volleyball court; two voiced an opinion in favor of keeping the court. The department received written responses from City of Plano residents; 51 were in favor of keeping the court and four for its removal. The board discussed their observations at length and staff answered their questions. Parks and Recreation Planning Board discussion also included options that can be explored and considered in the long term planning of open space amenities around the Dallas North Estates community and City of Plano. Hayden Padgett made a motion to retain the sand volleyball court at Overland Trail Park with Parks staff increasing maintenance oversight of the court. Steve Lavine seconded the motion. The Board voted 7-1 in favor of the motion.

Renee Jordan, Park Planning Manager, reviewed the bond referendum timeline and asked board members to provide input on proposed project priority order. Board members discussed the desire for the Bruce Glasscock Park to be developed and concerns about the costs of projects. Part of the priority process was determining the associated operating costs as well as any tax implications. Staff thanked the board for the great discussion of the priority list. A motion to endorse the priority list as staff presented was made by Steve Lavine, seconded by Gail Marks and approved 8-0. Gail requested a list of public meetings to discuss the bond referendum be shared with the board.

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Renee Jordan reported on the outreach efforts regarding the planned renovation projects at Glen Meadows Park and Caddo Park. Evans Park renovation project is in the bid process. Cottonwood Creek Greenbelt South going to Council for approval in October. A six month erosion control project is beginning at Arbor Hills Nature Preserve.

Susie Hergenrader, Recreation Services Manager, reported facilities are slowly reopening and additional classes will begin on October 5. Staff is looking at reopening centers at 5:00 in the morning. Susie also reported that the Sam John Recreation Center probably won't reopen any time soon.

David Angeles, Park Services Manager, reported that the Friendly Park Monitor program is scaling back and ending October 4. It has proved to be very useful and successful. Last week's Labor Day soccer tournament was successful.

Michelle Hawkins, Arts, Culture and Heritage Manager, announced staff creatively organized two events for October. A drive-in movie showing Beetlejuice will be held at the Courtyard Theater parking lot. The annual Apparition Expedition will be a virtual event and include nine stories. Gail Marks shared they were creative solutions.

The October 13 meeting was identified as a future agenda item to continue discussions related to the 2021 bond referendum projects.

Nothing further was discussed. Chairperson Shockey adjourned the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

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Doug Shockey, Chair

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Date

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**Agenda Item 2**

***Consideration of a Request to Use a Portion of  
Hoblitzelle Park for an Utility Easement***

**Summary of Item**

Included in your packet is a memorandum from Ron Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation, describing a request from the City of Plano to make improvements on parkland, known as Hoblitzelle Park, to provide water service in the Cross Creek East Water Rehabilitation project.

In accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, two findings must be made: (1) that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of the park and (2) proper planning has been done to minimize harm to the land as a parks and recreation area.

Staff recommends advancing to Council for approval since there is no feasible alternative and improvements must be made in on parkland. Water service provides a public benefit.

Following your action, the City Council will consider this item at a future meeting.

**Action Requested**

Recommendation

**Staff Resource**

Renee Jordan

Matt Yager

Scott Holden

**Time Allotted**

30 minutes (6:35 – 7:05 p.m.)

**DATE:** October 13, 2020

**TO:** Doug Shockey, Chairman of Park Planning Board

**FROM:**  Ron Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation

**RE:** Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code – Hoblitzelle Trail and Cross Creek East Water Rehabilitation Project

The City of Plano needs to make water line improvements on parkland known as Hoblitzelle Trail to improve water safety within the adjacent residential neighborhood. These improvements are to replace old infrastructure, provide improved water flows and reduce water flushing. The proposed infrastructure and easements are to memorialize new infrastructure on parkland and provide temporary construction access during installation.

Chapter 26, Section 26.001 of the Parks And Wildlife Code states that “A department, agency, political subdivision, county, or municipality of this state may not approve any program or project that requires the use or taking of any public land designated and used prior to the arrangement of the program or project as a park, recreation area, scientific area, wildlife refuge, or historic site, unless the department, agency, political subdivision, county, or municipality, acting through its duly authorized governing body or officer, determines that:

- (1) there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use or taking of such land; and
- (2) the program or project includes all reasonable planning to minimize harm to the land, as a park, recreation area, scientific area, wildlife refuge, or historic site, resulting from the use or taking.”

The installation of this infrastructure will not impair the function or aesthetics of the trail or the parkland. The project will occur within open space along existing trail. The current trail is at the end of its useful life and was previously identified for replacement due to its condition. In addition, areas adjacent to the trail had also been identified for drainage and erosion control improvements. The water line rehab project will address all the identified problems. The trail will be replaced as a part of the project, and the project will resolve adjacent drainage and erosion problems.

Engineering staff have consulted with Parks staff to design the project with minimal damage to the parkland. Future action will occur once Council conducts the required public hearing.

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**Agenda Item 3**

***Report on Oak Point Park & Nature Preserve Hillside  
Improvements, Phase II***

**Summary of Item**

Report on Oak Point Park & Nature Preserve Hillside Improvements, Phase II project.

**Action Requested**

None

**Staff Resource**

Renee Jordan

**Time Allotted**

30 minutes (7:05 – 7:35 p.m.)



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**Agenda Item 4**

*Staff and Board Reports*

**Summary of Item**

Staff and Board reports will be provided on the following:

- a. Park Improvement Projects
- b. Recreation Division Update
- c. Parks Division Update
- d. Special Events Update

**Action Requested**

None

**Staff Resource**

- a. Renee Jordan
- b. Susie Hergenrader
- c. David Angeles
- d. Michelle Hawkins

**Time Allotted**

30 minutes (7:35 – 8:05 p.m.)

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**Agenda Item 5**

*Items for Future Agendas*

**Summary of Item**

Identify items for future agenda items.

**Action Requested**

Discussion

**Resource**

Board Members

**Time Allotted**

5 minutes (8:05 – 8:10 p.m.)

# CALENDAR

## PLANO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

### **October**

- Oct 10 Drive-in Movie: Beetlejuice at Courtyard Theater parking lot
- Oct 15-31 Old Shepard Place Park renovation presentation and survey period
- Oct 16-17 Apparition Expedition: Homebound Edition virtual event
- Oct 21 Bond Referendum Citizen Advisory Committee (BRCAC) reviews proposed Parks and Recreation Projects
- Oct 26 Budget department presents Preliminary Recommended Bond Referendum Projects to City Council

### **November/December**

Recommended bond referendum projects to be reviewed by all Board & Commissions including the BRCAC

### **November**

- Nov 5 Senior Advisory Board reviews proposed Parks and Recreation Projects
- Nov 18 BRCAC - Review all proposed facility and Other Proposed Projects
- Nov 23 1st Public Hearing for Citizen Input on 2021 Bond Referendum

### **December**

- Dec 8 Council Project Discussions for Proposed Projects – Parks & Recreation
- Dec 14 Council Project Discussions for Proposed Projects – Facilities and 2nd Public Hearing for Citizen Input on the 2021 Bond Referendum
- Dec 16 BRCAC - Review all proposed Street Projects and Finalize Committee Recommendation for City Council submittal
- Dec 18 Due date for Board & Commission recommendations including the Bond Referendum Citizen Advisory Committee to the City Council