

**City of Denton Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Board**  
**Minutes**  
**July 11, 2022**

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After determining that a quorum of the City of Denton, Texas, Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Board was present, the Board convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, July 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Community Room at 321 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

**Present:** Vice-Chair George Ferrie and Members, Kwami Koto, Jerry Dooley, James Emerich, and Frances Punch

**Absent:** Chair Alana Presley Taylor

**1. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

- Kristine Bray, 1204 Cordell St. – Public group swing project

**2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

A. PRB22-049: Consider approval of the minutes of June 6, 2022.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Member Emerich moved to adopt the item with the following addition to Agenda Item 2.A (PRB22-044) as requested by Member Punch on the direction given:

- Regarding the Denton 2040 Plan presented at the June meeting: Work to prevent gentrification of Southeast Denton neighborhoods and possible relocation of residents.

Member Dooley seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Ferrie, Members Punch, Koto, Emerich, and Dooley

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Chair Presley Taylor

B. PRB22-050: Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the Parks and Recreation Department FY 2022-23 proposed operating budget and organizational changes.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided the following direction:

- Consider morning hours or split schedule for the water park.

C. PRB22-052: Consider recommending adoption of the Parks and Recreation Department's (PARD) proposed Schedule of Fees for use of certain park facilities; superseding all prior fees in conflict with such schedule; and providing for severability and an effective date.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Member Punch moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Koto seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Ferrie, Members Punch, Koto, Emerich, and Dooley

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Chair Presley Taylor

- D. PRB22-053: Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Interstate 35 (I-35) design.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion staff was provided the following direction:

- Include clearer depictions of women and people of color in the design plan.

- E. PRB22-055: Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take-action regarding the naming applications for parks, facilities, and trails as submitted by individuals, organizations, and the Parks and Recreation Department.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following the discussion, Member Koto moved to approve all staff submitted naming requests:

- Audra Property to “Audra Oaks Park”
- Country Club Terrace Property to “Country Club Terrace”
- Laney Property to “Laney Lake Park”
- Mayhill Property to “Mayhill Preserve”
- New Tennis Center to “Denton Tennis Center”
- Parkside Property to “Bidly Bye Park”
- Prose Prominence Property to “Cooper Creek Park”
- Sagebrook Property to “Sagebrook Park”
- Villages of Carmel Property to “Villages of Carmel Park”
- Vintage Village Property to “Tamarack Park
- Trail on Carroll Blvd. to “Carroll Trail”
- Trail in Cross Timbers Park (North) to “Cross Timbers Park North Trail”
- Trail in Cross Timbers Park (South) to “Cross Timbers Park South Trail”
- Trail in McKenna Park to “McKenna Park Trail”
- Trail in Rayzor Ranch to “Rayzor Ranch Park Trail”
- Trail on Unicorn Lake Blvd to “Unicorn Lake Trail”
- Trail in Wheeler Ridge Park to “Wheeler Ridge Park Trail

Member Emerich seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice Chair Ferrie, Members Emerich, Dooley, Koto, and Punch.

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Chair Presley Taylor

Member Emerich moved to approve the Jane Malone Soccer Center Application; Member Dooley seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice Chair Ferrie, Members Emerich, Dooley, Koto, and Punch.  
NAYS (0): None  
ABSENT (1): Chair Presley Taylor

Member Koto made a motion to deny the Detective Rodney Mooneyham Application; Member Punch seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice Chair Ferrie, Members Emerich, Dooley, Koto, and Punch.  
NAYS (0): None  
ABSENT (1): Chair Presley Taylor

Member Punch moved to table the Jim Englebrecht Trail Application until more information could be obtained from the Denton County Transportation Authority; Member Dooley seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice Chair Ferrie, Members Emerich, Dooley, Koto, and Punch.  
NAYS (0): None  
ABSENT (1): Chair Presley Taylor

### 3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

- Committee requested Parks and Recreation Director, Gary Packan look into ownership of the empty lot at Kings Row and Nottingham for possible soccer practice fields.
- Parks and Recreation staff will apply for Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) accreditation in January.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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GEORGE FERRIE  
VICE-CHAIR  
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

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ROBIN HILL  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

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