

City of Denton Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Board
Minutes
September 9, 2024

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, September 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Community Room at 321 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

Present: Vice-Chair Frances Punch, Members Robert Aughtry, Grace Martin-Young, Kwami Koto, and Elinor Lichtenberg

Absent: None

1. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- None

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. PRB24-030: Consider approval of the minutes of July 1, 2024.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Member Aughtry moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Martin-Young seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

B. PRB24-029: Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Design Downtown Denton Master Planning project which also includes proposals for revising Quakertown Park

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided the following direction:

- Consider walkability to aquatic facilities.
- Focus on connecting downtown to Southeast Denton.
- Consider importance of Civic Center Pool in size and location.
- Use data and focus on economic impact of plan, show financial impact.

Following discussion, Member Martin-Young moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Lichtenberg seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

C. PRB24-032: Receive a report from staff, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding granting approval, in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, of the non-park use of a part of Sagebrook Park for the purpose of installing and maintaining a sanitary sewer easement and temporary construction for the Dentex Development.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided the following direction:

- Request developers focus on native plants and limiting invasives.

Following discussion, Member Martin-Young moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Aughtry seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

- D. PRB24-052: Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction, and approve or deny the Parks and Recreation Land Plan.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided the following direction:

- Please add evaluation rubric/metrics in any future presentations.

Following discussion, Member Aughtry moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Martin-Young seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

- E. PRB24-021: Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding Keep Denton Beautiful updates.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided no direction.

- F. PRB24-027: Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the new program called Denton Halloween.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided no direction.

- G. PRB24-028: Consider recommending approval of a resolution accepting the donation of a peace pole and its dedication and installation in Quakertown Park in the City of Denton.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided the following direction:

- Consider putting it near City Hall in the future.

Following discussion, Member Martin-Young moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Aughtry seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

- H. PRB24-031: Receive a report from staff, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding providing the exchange of public land within Denia Park for the purposes of constructing a new Denton Independent School District (DISD) facility, Borman Elementary. DISD requests to exchange 4.729 acres of DISD property for 3.739 acres of City Park land to accommodate the construction of a new Borman Elementary.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, staff was provided the following direction:

- Plant more trees.
- Consider mural, fencing, or other artistic feature.

Following discussion, Member Aughtry moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Koto seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

- I. PRB24-033: Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton granting the Denton Main Street Association a noise exception for the Fall Twilight Tunes Series, which will be held on Thursday, October 3, October 10, October 17, October 24, and October 31, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Wolff's Park - 108 Industrial Street; and providing an effective date

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Member Lichtenberg moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Koto seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto

ABSENT (0): None

NAYS (0): None

- J. PRB24-035: Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Development Agreement between the City of Denton and Beall Denton Partners, LP., for the dedication of Park Land for a City Park at the Northpointe Development.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Member Martin-Young moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Aughtry seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto
ABSENT (0): None
NAYS (0): None

- K. PRB24-034: Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton granting a noise exception for the Geezerpalooza event which will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2024, at Industrial Street between Hickory Street and Mulberry Street; and providing an effective date. The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Member Aughtry moved to adopt the item as presented; Member Lichtenberg seconded. Motion carried.

AYES (5): Vice-Chair Punch, Members Aughtry, Martin-Young, Lichtenberg, and Koto
ABSENT (0): None
NAYS (0): None

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

- Add Chair and Vice-Chair vote to November agenda.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm.

FRANCES PUNCH
VICE-CHAIR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

ROBIN HILL
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: _____