

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
LAGO VISTA, TEXAS
SEPTEMBER 14, 2016**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 14th day of September, A.D., 2016, the Parks And Recreation Advisory Committee held a Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Lago Vista Library Meeting Room, 5803 Thunderbird, Suite 40, in said City, there being present and acting the following:

CALL TO ORDER

Carolina Hale	Committee Member	Sandra Barton	City Secretary
Michael Panter	Committee Member	Suzanne Bland	Council Liaison
Sheryl Speckmann	Committee Chair	Robin Smith	Assistant City Secretary
David White	Committee Member	David Harrell	Development Services Dir.
Travis Wilhow	Committee Member	Laura Fowler	Parks & Rec. Manager
Ross Dewhurst	Committee Member		

Sheryl Speckmann, Committee Chair called the regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced that all Committee Members were present except for Hubbard Helm.

The numbering below tracks that of the agenda, whereas the actual order of consideration may have varied.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under Consent Agenda, are to be considered routine by the Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion on these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

1. Approval of the following minutes: August 15, 2016 regular meeting.
On a motion by Michael Panter, seconded by Ross Dewhurst the Committee voted unanimously to approve the August 15, 2016 minutes as presented. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Introduction of Councilwoman Bland as new Council Liaison.

Committee Chair, Sheryl Speckmann introduced Council Liaison Suzanne Bland to Committee and Staff. The Chair & Committee Members welcomed her. Councilwoman Bland replaced Councilman Sullivan and is very excited to work with the Committee.

3. Discussion of Parks and Wildlife Grant.

David Harrell gave a brief overview and update. The City is trying to secure a \$500,000

Grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Elaine Hughes, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director was present and stated she will be happy to write a letter in support of the grant.

Committee members discussed different organizations to reach out to for support of the grant. Committee Chair, Sheryl Speckmann will be contacting KLVB & Lions Club. David White will reach out to Sun Hardware and POA; Suzanne Bland will contact the Boy Scouts. Michael Panter will be working with the High School principal to write a letter for grant as well. The Committee will be sending all letters to David Harrell. David will send letters to Gandolph.

4. Discussion of first draft of the Master Plan.

David Harrell discussed background, history, demographics and recreation trends for the Master Plan. David handed out an updated site map of Master plan. Committee members and Laura Fowler discussed some new trends and ideas they had in mind. Committee Members discussed the need for developing trails and would like them to connect to the community with Tessera and other areas in the community.

The Committee and Staff discussed the option for City owned land that can be developed into mini parks for nearby residents. Committee would like to have a waterfront Community park with a boat launch and someday a Marina. David did suggest to the Committee to use the Comprehensive Plan and expand from it.

5. Discussion of future Sub-Committee activities.

Sub-committees were established as follows:

Partners & Funding – Speckmann and White

Recreation Planning – Panter and Dewhurst

Parks Planning – Hale and Wilhow

Trails Planning – Hale and Helm

Council Liaison Bland would also like to be involved.

Committee Chair, Sheryl Speckman spoke with Committee members about Sub-Committees. Committee Chair, Sheryl Speckman also suggested that Committee Members visit some trails and parks in surrounding areas. Each Sub-Committee to present a report at each monthly Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee meeting.

6. Discussion of membership on Task Force.

The Committee would like to form a task force that includes persons from Parks Committee, POA, LVISD, Chamber of Commerce, Professional such as Real Estate Agent, Teserra HOA, The Island, and possibly High School student.

The Task Force would need to work toward an agreement with the POA to have a Community Membership to access one or more waterfront parks with boat ramp.

7. Discussion of draft letter to Travis County.

Michael Painter will draft a letter that the Committee would like to send to Gerald Daugherty. Michael Panter will send the draft letter to Melissa and Mayor Mitchell for review. The letter will need to be signed by the Mayor Mitchell.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS


8. Consider schedule and items for future Committee meetings.

The next Committee meeting scheduled for October 12, 2016 should have more information to discuss Task Force and Sub-Committee reports.

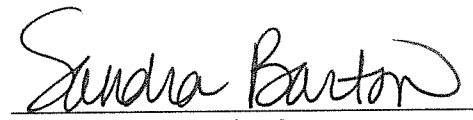
ADJOURNMENT

Sheryl Speckmann adjourned the meeting at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheryl Speckmann, Chair

ATTEST:


Sandra Barton, City Secretary

On a motion by Committee Member Michael Panter seconded by Committee Member Travis Wilhow, the above and foregoing instrument was passed and approved this 12th day of October, 2016.