

Parks & Recreation Department Updates

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee

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PRAC Follow-Up Questions



Trestle Project

Project Description:

This is a multi-departmental project to construct a 15-foot-wide shared-use path and a new pedestrian bridge across Oso Bay. The project will renovate the existing train trestle bridge and connect the Holly Road and Flour Bluff

Federal Funding Amount for Construction Phase: \$13,034,457

Funding Breakdown:

- There is no direct match requirement from the City.



Bird City

Background:

- 2019 – 2020: An application was submitted to be a part of the Bird City Texas program hosted by Texas Parks & Wildlife Department/Audubon Texas.
- The application was not accepted - The Award Committee felt the City did not have enough commitment to fulfill the requirements at the time.
- Per the Texas Wildlife Department website, the program is currently on hiatus & will resume some time this year (no specific date) for new applications.
- Some Committee members may be willing to restart the process, but it will require staff time as well as policy and procedure changes across several City Departments.



PIBA “Photo Op” Sign at Whitecap Seawall

Type of Agreement: Use Agreement

No action is required from PRAC at this time since the land is not technically “park land” but staff wanted to ensure that answers were provided to questions from the previous meeting.

Location: Southeast corner of the parking lot at Windward Drive on the seawall. This piece of City property is not technically park land, but PARD maintains it.

- PIBA will maintain, at its own expense, the Premises & all improvements, including the sign(s), landscaping & lighting.



OTHER PARK UPDATES



Sherrill Veteran's Memorial Park

- Final survey & boundaries for the helicopter pedestal design are expected in the coming weeks.
- Next steps: Meet with Turner-Ramirez for scope of park-wide design & obtain design cost estimate.

Dog Park at Parker Park

Amenities include:

- Concrete Park Benches
- Dog Waste Stations
- Mock Fire Hydrants
- Large Boulders
- Decomposed granite terrain

Additional amenities as needed to be purchased & installed by Park Ops based off funding availability after construction completion.

Bill Witt Aquatic Center

- Parking Lot - 90% poured,
- Main drain, rough-in on the Leisure Pool is complete - Pending 3rd party inspection.
- Leisure pool structural steel & floor installation will be inspected by a 3rd party inspection team
- Electrical/Plumbing Rough-in to the pumphouse has begun.



Good News 😊

Volleyball & Adult Basketball Leagues

