



City of Corpus Christi

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Corpus Christi, Texas
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Meeting Agenda - Final

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

5:30 PM

City Hall, Basement Training Room

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee shall advise the City Council as to all public parks and the buildings therein, public outdoor recreation areas and centers, and any other grounds placed under its purview by the City Manager.

A. Call To Order/Roll Call

B. Public Comment

Members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to speak at the Committee meeting. A recording is made at these meetings. Please give your name and address, and state your point as briefly as possible. The Open Meetings Act prohibits the board members from responding to or discussing your comments at length. The law only authorizes them to do the following:

- 1) Make a statement of factual information;*
- 2) Recite an existing policy in response to the inquiry; or*
- 3) Advise the citizen that this subject will be placed on an agenda at a later date.*

C. Approval of Absences: Mike Lehnert

D. Approval of Minutes

1. [23-2042](#) Regular Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2023

Attachments: [Draft MeetingMinutes13-Dec-2023](#)

E. Director's Report

2. [23-1383](#) Parks & Recreation Department Updates - January 2024

Attachments: [Directors Report - January 2024](#)

F. Unfinished Business for Discussion or Possible Action

3. [23-1974](#) 2023 PRAC Annual Report

Attachments: [5772504263416674852-Board-and-Commission-Annual-Report](#)

G. New Business for Discussion or Possible Action

4. [24-0027](#) 2024 PRAC Meeting Calendar

Attachments: [2024 PRAC Meeting Calendar](#)

H. Subcommittee & Committee Liaison Reports

- *Island Strategic Action Committee*
- *Water Shore & Beach Advisory Committee*
- *Pedestrian & Bicycle Connectivity Subcommittee*
- *Adopt-A-Park Subcommittee*
- *PRAC Strategic Action Plan Subcommittee*

I. Future Agenda Items

J. Adjournment

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Meeting Minutes

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

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A. Call To Order/Roll Call

Chair Lindsey called the meeting to order and a quorum was established with Mike Lehnert absent.

B. Public Comment: None.

C. Approval of Absences

A motion was made by Twila Stevens to approve the absences listed above and it was seconded by Shawn Flanagan. The motion passed.

D. Approval of Minutes

1. [23-1910](#) Regular Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023

A motion was made by Shawn Flanagan to approve the minutes listed above and it was seconded by Jerry Plemons. The motion passed.

E. Director's Report

2. [23-1383](#) Parks & Recreation Department Updates - January 2024

Robert Dodd, Director of Parks and Recreation, gave the following updates:

- Proposed Bathrooms at Blucher Park
- Dog Park at Parker Park
- Improvements to Wranosky Park
- Holly Road Train to Trestle to Tourism Trail Project
- MOU for CC Mayor's Committee for Veteran's Affair

Mr. Dodd also gave a brief presentation regarding the programs that are offered (Art Classes, Fitness Classes & Holiday/Special Events) at the City's Senior Centers and gave attendance records.

F. Unfinished Business for Discussion or Possible Action

3. [23-1793](#) PRAC Bylaw Amendments Regarding Absences

Item "3" was presented at the November 8, 2023 PRAC meeting to consider an amendment to PRAC Bylaws, Article 4, Section 6. The intent of the amendment is to amendment is to be consistent with Council Policy, Article II Section, 10.2.8. General Provisions for City-Created Boards/Ad Hoc Committees/Task Forces. The Committee held further discussions and it was suggested to amend subsection (b) by replacing the first sentence, "Good cause in the event of an emergency or illness of the Member or family member of the Member." to be read as follows:

"(b) Good cause shall be determined by the Chairperson. The member shall notify the staff liaison and Committee Chair at least 2 hours prior to the start of the meeting, or as soon as practical."

A motion was made by Shawn Flanagan to approve the bylaw amendment as shown above and it was seconded by Adam Rios. The motion passed.

4. [23-1794](#) Proposed Whitecap Seawall (North Padre Island) Photo Op Sign on Park Land

Item "4" was presented at the last PRAC meeting on November 8, 2023 for PRAC's consideration/support. The Committee brought up several more questions they would like addressed before taking action on a motion of support. The proposed location for the sign is on City property but the Committee wanted clarification if the property is indeed park land.

G. New Business for Discussion or Possible Action

5. [23-1974](#) 2023 PRAC Annual Report

The Committee reviewed the draft of the annual report which is submitted by the Chair of the Committee. The deadline for the annual report for Boards, Committees and Commissions is January 31, 2024. The Committee made some recommendations to add to the draft and it will be brought back for final Committee approval at the January 10, 2024 PRAC meeting.

H. Subcommittee & Committee Liaison Reports

Island Strategic Action Committee: Twila Stevens gave updates on dredging, Resolution for increase in rate of pay for lifeguards, Mike Ellis parking lot, bathrooms at Zahn Road and an ADA floating access at Packery Channel. These updates were from the November meeting as this Committee will not meet in December.

Water Shore & Beach Advisory Committee: Howard Schauer gave updates on the new Chairperson, goal setting for 2024 and discussions regarding elements/conditions for which lifeguards will enter the water for rescue.

Adopt-A-Park: Chair Lindsey gave updates on the recent tree planting event, becoming a

"Tree City", inventory list of parks not adopted and the possibility of PRAC adopting a park.

I. Future Agenda Items

- Proposal of first aid kits to be available/placed at City parks.
- Update on Sherrill Park Master Plan
- PARD Organization Chart

J. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Department Updates

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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.



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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.



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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





City Board, Commission & Committee

Annual Report to City Council

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee

1. State the goals and objectives for the 2023 calendar year.

Be an asset to Parks & Recreation in promoting programs & services.
Assist in facilitating the ideas, suggestions, and programs that are brought forth by community input.
Promote the adoptive park program by increasing awareness and participation.

2. Description of the action taken in furtherance of the goals and objectives during the 2023 calendar year.

Initiated Strategic Action Committee Plan
PRAC members are requested to promote & participate in Adopt a Park Program.
Working in conjunction w/ISAC and Water/Beach Committee

3. Did the Board make recommendation to Council? If so, what did they recommend?

Sent a "letter of support" on smoking issue

4. What are the goals and objectives for the 2024 calendar year?

Improve participation in Adopt A Park program.
Enhance Pickleball availability
Continue awareness of "connectivity" movement.
Facilitate Sherrill Park Improvement Project
Promote Aquatic Facility at Bill Witt

5. How many times did the board meet or failed to meet?

12-once per month, all quorums were met

6. How many vacancies did the board have and for how long?

0 as of 11/30/23. One is expected in December, 2023.

Approved by Committee:

Linda L Lindsey

Board Chair Signature

Linda Lindsey

Board Chair Name

linda.lindsey1@yahoo.com

Board Chair Email

Approved

Review Status

Submitted by:

Robert Dodd

Department Head Signature

Robert L. Dodd

Department Head Name

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Approved

Review Status

For Department Head Only:



I have reviewed the report as submitted by the Board Chair. (Please check to confirm.)

Comments (Optional):

2024 Meeting Calendar
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
(Second Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 p.m.)

City Hall - 1201 Leopard Street

January	1/10/2024
February	2/14/2024
March	3/13/2024
April	4/10/2024
May	5/8/2024
June	6/12/2024
July	7/10/2024
August	8/14/2024
September	9/11/2024
October	10/9/2024
November	11/13/2024
December	12/11/2024

Regular meetings shall be held monthly at the Committee's discretion.

Special meetings may be held by call of the Chair, or Vice-chair in the absence from town of the Chair, or by any three (3) members.