

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
OCTOBER 7, 2005
12:00 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Mr. Bruce McMillan, Mr. Reed Scott, Mrs. Beverly Page, Mr. Randy Martin, Mr. Roger Brannan, Ms. Jean Darbyshire, and Mrs. Marie Steichen. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Terry DeWeese, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Frank Gibbs, Park Planner; Mr. Eddie Eastes, Park Superintendent; Mr. Ivan Wilkinson, Recreation Superintendent; and Mrs. Debbie Dugan, Administrative Supervisor. Several visitors were in attendance.

Mr. McMillan called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Page, seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 29, 2005. On vote, motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION WITH RDG PLANNING AND DESIGN ON THE FAMILY INDOOR RECREATION/AQUATIC FACILITY

Mr. DeWeese introduced Mr. Dennis Reynolds and Ms. Katie Meyers, RDG Planning and Design Consultants, to the Board.

Mr. Reynolds explained that 13 meetings had been held with City Administration, civic groups/organizations, and the public to gain input on a Family Indoor Recreation/Aquatic Facility. He stated that the meetings went well and valuable information was received from the meetings. He explained that 19 sites have been identified for the location of the Family Indoor Recreation/Aquatic Facility and each site will be reviewed. A presentation will be made to the City Commission and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at a Work Session on November 8, 2005, to identify a short list of possible sites for the Family Indoor Recreation/Aquatic Facility. On December 13, 2005, at a Work Session with the City Commission and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, a single site will be identified for the Family Indoor Recreation/Aquatic Facility.

Mr. McMillan discussed the public meetings.

The Board asked for information on the breakdown of admissions by age groups for all pools as well as the maintenance amount of Northview Pool.

Further discussion was held on the existing pools, suggested locations, programming issues, and City Park Master Plan.

The Board inquired about legal issues with CiCo and Griffith Parks and suggested reviewing a map of the breakdown of land owned by the City, County, and School District.

INFORMATION TO CITY COMMISSION

The City Commission approved the consultant contract with RDG Planning and Design at their meeting on September 6, 2005.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Page inquired about the soccer field development in Fairmont Park. Mr. DeWeese explained that City Administration has met with the Little Apple Soccer Club and has been trying to schedule another meeting to discuss the future of this area. He also explained that the Little Apple Soccer Club has a lease at Fairmont Park.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Joint meeting with Riley County Park Department.

It was moved by Ms. Darbyshire, seconded by Mrs. Steichen to adjourn the meeting. On vote, motion carried 7-0.