

MINUTES  
SPECIAL PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
POTTORF HALL, 1710 AVERY AVE, CICO PARK  
April 2, 2018 - 4:30 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Mr. Ed Klimek, Ms. Linda Teener, Mr. Dave Schafer, Mr. Curt Herrman, Mr. Mark Bachamp, and Mr. Darrell Edie.

Employees present: Mr. Eddie Eastes, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Randi Clifford, Recreation Director; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Sunset Zoo Director; Ms. Melissa Kirkwood, Community Relations Officer; Mr. Wyatt Thompson, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Alfonso Leyva, Park Planner; and Mr. Casey Smithson, Park Superintendent.

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Mr. Klimek called the meeting to order. It was moved by Ms. Linda Teener, seconded by Mr. Dave Schafer, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 5, 2018. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

WARNER PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Alfonso Leyva, Park Planner, provided an update on progress to date on the Warner Park Master Plan. The LAR-320 K-State Design Studio held a preliminary design review on March 7th. City staff provided feedback on the student's current designs. The professors of the studio later reached out for further direction that they could share with the students. The design studio is on track to present their concepts on Saturday, April 14th between 10 A.M. and 12 P.M., in the atrium of the Flint Hills Discovery Center. Progress on the Warner Park Master Plan is scheduled for a City Commission work session to be held on April 24th. City staff plans to take the studio design concepts and any comments from the City Commission, to develop an overall concept draft that will be presented later to the PRAB as well as other advisory boards and at public meetings before presenting to the City Commission again later.

The board provided input about access to the park and asked questions about how neighborhood input would be acquired.

CITY PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Alfonso Leyva, Park Planner, provided an update on the City Park Master Plan. An extensive effort was made in 2015 to complete the City Park Master Plan. During those discussions, expansion of the tennis courts for tournament use and a covered city pool were topics that needed to be addressed prior to the completion of the master plan. The topic in question was whether City Park was the best location for those activities. The Parks & Recreation Facility Feasibility Study later determined that CiCo Park would be better suited to house the expanded tennis courts and covered pool. Today, City staff has reviewed feedback on concepts A and B received from multiple advisory boards, community input, and the City Commission. A concept C draft was presented to the Board, in an effort to create a final concept master plan for City Park. During the week of April 16th, a neighborhood meeting will be held in the park to gather public input before the April 24th work session with the City Commission.

The board discussed parking, access and drop-off near the band shell for accessibility to Arts in the Park events, two-way traffic in City Park, accommodating parades and events, and preserving green space.

Meeting Adjourned.