



**City of League City Parks Board  
March 4, 2021 - 10:00 am  
Zoom Meeting  
League City, Texas**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to order and roll call of members**

- Chair Gareth Nenninger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- Present: Gareth Nenninger, Fred Growcock
- Others present: Director of Parks and Cultural Services Chien Wei, Councilman Larry Millican, City Councilman John Bowen, Assistant City Attorney Paige Bailey, Parks Planner/Project Manager Bob Duke, Project Manager Danny Carder, IT Specialist I Leighanna Carroll, Senior Administrative Assistant Helene Freia

**2. Citizens request for hearing before the Parks Board**

- None present

**3. Consider and take action on approval of minutes:**

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- Motion to approve minutes was made by Fred Growcock and seconded by Gareth Nenninger. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. Staff update on the Lynn Gripon Park Mountain Bike Course**

- Danny Carder stated that issues have been encountered in keeping with the design to cross the creek and that two options are being considered. The original project cost for planning and design was \$47,310.00 with \$85,000 budgeted for construction.
- Option A – Installation of 3 box culverts to create a culvert crossing. The culverts will be considered a regulatory activity, requiring permitting through the Army Corps of Engineers. Extra design time for this option will be 1-2 months with additional cost of \$419,000 and \$55,000 professional fee, bringing the estimated total cost of the project up to approximately \$475,000.
- Option B – Addition of a pedestrian bridge measuring 65' in length by 8' wide. This option will be considered in the FEMA floodway and will require extra permits. Bridge design is anticipated to take 1-2 months and 12-15 months for permit approval from FEMA. Cost is estimated at \$130,000 for the bridge and \$45,000 for professional services, bringing the total estimated project cost up to \$175,000.

## **5. Staff update on the 5K Loop/Obstacle Course/Dog Park**

- Bob informed board members that the project is anticipated to go out to bid in a month. He also stated that there is an issue with the north end of the trail along the power easement due to drainage ditch concerns. There is an upcoming housing development project along the area north of the trail project involving the drainage ditch on that particular section of trail.
- Some cost cuts have been made to stay within budget, including converting from drinking fountains to bottle fillers with French drains to reduce wastewater. Trail lighting will be bid as an add alternate.
- Drawings for the obstacle course and dog park were reviewed by staff and board members. Two watering options, watering stations vs. water spigots with shut-off valve, for the dog park were presented, with watering stations as an add alternate in order to stay within budget.
- Budget for the 5K trail is \$1,200,000 and for the obstacle course is \$397,000, both funded by 4B Corporation funds for a total of \$1,597,000. Budget for the dog park is funded by Park Dedication funds with the original budget at \$200,000.

## **6. Staff update on the Bayridge Park Redevelopment project**

- Bob presented Clark Condon's 30% completed construction design documents. 60% drawings are expected to be submitted within the next two weeks.
- Renovations include removing the chain link fence beyond the dugouts to create more green space, two fenced-in playgrounds, 4 handicap ramp entrances to sidewalks, and a six-foot wide concrete trail running along the entire park perimeter.
- A budget of \$250,000 is currently in place for the project. Current estimated construction is at \$354,319.13.
- Bayridge Park renovation is in the Parks Open Space and Master Plan. The park has not had any improvements in almost 30 years. Staff recommendation is to seek approval to increase the budget from \$250,000 to \$400,000.

## **7. Consider and take action on the Bayridge Park Redevelopment project**

- Motion was made by Fred Growcock to approve the \$150,000 additional funds from Park Dedication fund for add alternates for the Bayridge Park Redevelopment project, not to exceed \$400,000 total budget, and was seconded by Garet Nenninger. Motion passed unanimously.

## **8. Staff update on pending projects**

- Chien stated that the Parks Board annual presentation to City Council is scheduled for July 27, 2021.
- City Council and administrative staff had a strategic planning work session on February 6<sup>th</sup>. City Council identified four top initiatives. One of the top four initiatives was to plan and create new recreational opportunities, private venues, parks, and libraries.

## **9. Members comments**

- Fred asked about the status Parks Board member appointments. Chien stated that the Mayor has not brought forward any appointments to City Council for approval. Larry informed board members that he did have a discussion with the Mayor and made known the Board's request for support.
- Gareth expressed his appreciation for Councilman Millican's attendance and support at the Parks Board meetings.

## **10. Adjournment**

- Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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Garet L. Nenninger, Chair