



City of Coppell, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard
Coppell, Texas
75019-9478

Minutes

Parks and Recreation Board

Monday, August 3, 2020

6:30 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Ed Guignon
Chair

Nick Paschal
Vice Chair

Margaret Bryan
Boardmember

Brian Olsen
Boardmember

Earl Rogers
Boardmember

Maureen Corcoran
Boardmember

Lisa Reynolds
Boardmember

Maheshika Ratnayake
Alternate

Kevin Erickson
Alternate

Divya Ravindra
Student Advisor

Shivi Sharma
Student Advisor

As authorized by Section 418.016(e) of the Texas Government Code, on March 16, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott suspended various provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location.

The following requirements have been suspended by the governor:

1. A quorum of the city council need not be present at one physical location. Id. § 551.127(b).
2. In light of (1), above, the meeting notice need not specify where the quorum of the city council will be physically present and the intent to have a quorum present. Id. § 551.127(e).
3. In light of (1) above, the meeting held by video conference call is not required to be open to the public at a location where council is present. Id. § 551.127(f).
4. The audio and video are not required to meet minimum standards established by Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) rules, the video doesn't have to be sufficient that a member of the public can observe the demeanor of the participants, the members faces don't have to be clearly visible at all times, and the meeting can continue even if a connection is lost, so long as a quorum is still present. Id. § 551.127(a-3); (h); (i); (j).

Notice is hereby given that the Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Coppell, Texas, will meet remotely using videoconferencing technology.

The purpose of this meeting is to consider the following items:

As authorized by Section 551.127, of the Texas Government Code, one or more Commission members or employees may attend this meeting remotely using videoconferencing technology.

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

1. Call To Order

Ed Guignon, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:32PM.

2. Citizens' Forum: Pursuant to the State Open Meetings Law, the Board is restricted in discussing or taking action on items not posted on the Agenda. Action on your statements can only be taken at future meetings.

Ray Soria, 1305 Stonecrest Dr., Coppell, TX, 75019, spoke requesting updates be considered to the Waggin Tails Dog Park.

3. Approval of Minutes: June 1, 2020

A motion was made by Boardmember Earl Rogers, seconded by Boardmember Lisa Reynolds, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

4. Managers Update- Molly Bujanda, Community Programs Manager

Community Programs Manager, Molly Bujanda, supplied a Manager's Update for the Biodiversity Education Center, Coppell's Farmers Market, Coppell Community Gardens, and Keep Coppell Beautiful.

5. Presentation and Discussion related to potential Legacy recognition at Biodiversity Education Center

Molly Bujanda, Community Programs Manager, gave a presentation and discussion relating to potential Legacy/recognition at the Biodiversity Education Center. The board requested that Molly supplies a visual presentation be brought back for further review.

6. Youth Advisor's Report

Youth Advisor, Shivi Sharma, suggested that Volunteer opportunities be shared via Parks Social Media. Youth Advisor, Divya Ravindra, suggested that teen activities be offered at the Farmer's Market, such as ways to live a healthy life style.

7. Liaison's Report:

A) Liaison's Report- Jessica Carpenter, Assistant Director of Recreation

B) Special Project Update- John Elias, Parks Project Manager

A) Jessica Carpenter, Assistant Director of Recreations, supplied an update on the COVID Re-opening Plan.

B) John Elias, Park Project Manager, supplied an update on the following Park Projects: ABW/CHS Connector Trail, Emergency Trail Marker System, MacArthur Blvd. Trail, Grapevine Springs Park Dredging & Wall.

8. Chair Report

Ed Guignon, Chair, spoke stating the board and Parks Department, should be proud that the community can take advantage of the parks and trails during the time of COVID.

Adjournment

With no further discussions, Ed Guignon, Chair, called the meeting to Adjourn at 7:55PM.

Ed Guignon, Chair

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