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MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087
Tuesday, February 2, 2016
6:00 PM

7 **Call To Order**

8 The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00pm by Chairman Brad
9 Bassett with the following Board Members present: Kevin Moffat, Ray Harton, Larry
10 Denny and Charles Johnson. Bob Lewis and Wayne Larson were absent. Also present
11 were Parks and Recreation Manager Andy Hesser and Administrative Secretary, Wendy
12 Young.

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14 **Consider approval of the minutes from the January 5, 2016 Park Board meeting**
15 **and take any action necessary**

16 The minutes from the January 5, 2016 Park Board meeting were provided to the Board
17 for their review and approval. Board Member Charles Johnson made a motion to
18 approve the minutes. Moffatt seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 5-0.

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20 **Open Forum**

21 Chairman Bassett explained how Open Forum is conducted and asked if anyone in the
22 audience would like to come forth and speak during this time. There being no one
23 wishing to speak, Chairman Bassett then closed the Open Forum.

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25 **Discuss and consider Eagle Scout final presentation by Thomas Stelmar and take**
26 **any action necessary**

27 Thomas was unable to attend this meeting.

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29 **Discuss and consider Eagle Scout project proposal by Jason Lundy and take any**
30 **action necessary**

31 Jason Lundy is an Eagle Scout candidate who has met with staff to discuss potential
32 projects. The project that Mr. Lundy has settled on in his proposal is to raise funds and
33 construct a butterfly demonstration garden in Myers Park. This project will be perfectly
34 in-line with our strategic initiative to improve habitat for wildlife as well as the Mayor's
35 Monarch Pledge. Jason Lundy presented a powerpoint of the types of flowers and plants
36 he will use and went over the timeline and fundraising. After a brief discussion,
37 Chairman Bassett made a motion to approve this project proposal. Larry Denny
38 seconded the motion which passed 5-0.

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40 **Discuss and consider Stone Creek Phase VII final plat and take any action necessary**

41 Mr. Hesser explained that Stone Creek subdivision is submitting a final plat for Phase 7.
42 It is 79 lots on approximately 37.8 acres. The development has met their park land
43 dedication requirement, therefore only the pro-rata equipment fees are required in
44 accordance with the Mandatory Park Land Dedication Ordinance. The fees will be
45 collected at the time the final plat is filed. The current adopted pro-rata equipment fee for
46 park district #5 is \$598 per lot. Total fees for 79 lots would be \$47,242. Moffatt made a

47 motion to adopt fees and accept the final plat. Harton seconded the motion which passed
48 5-0.

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50 **Discuss and consider Breezy Hill Phase V final plat and take any action necessary**

51 Breezy Hill subdivision is submitting a final plat for Phase 5. It is 79 lots on
52 approximately 25.6 acres. The development has met their park land dedication
53 requirement, therefore only the pro-rata equipment fees are required in accordance with
54 the Mandatory Park Land Dedication Ordinance. The fees will be collected at the time
55 the final plat is filed. The current adopted pro-rata equipment fee for park district #7 is
56 \$215 per lot. Total fees for 79 lots would be \$16,985. Moffatt made a motion to accept
57 the final plat and adopt fees. Harton seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 5-0.

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59 **Discuss and consider Annual Update of Mandatory Neighborhood Park Land**
60 **Dedication Ordinance and take any action necessary**

61 Each year, the Park Board is to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the
62 fee structure to be used when calculating the Mandatory Park Land Dedication
63 Ordinance. The two separate fees to be calculated are the Pro-Rata Share Equipment fee
64 and the Cash in Lieu of Land fee. The Pro-Rata Equipment fees are calculated on the
65 cost to equip an 11-acre neighborhood park. Currently, the adopted figure we use is
66 \$525,000 and that is based on our assumed cost of approximately \$1,050,000 to complete
67 an 11-acre neighborhood park design. The fee is based on the fact that the residents who
68 will have the greatest benefit of the park location should pay half of the construction
69 costs and the remaining City residents shall pay the remaining \$525,000. The Cash in
70 Lieu of Land fees are figured based on the average value of neighborhood park land
71 within a residential development. The figure is derived from a gross market study of the
72 simple market value of the average price per-acre of land from the entire City and is not
73 based on a particular location. Land suitable for park land development is defined as:
74 NOT located in the 100 year floodplain; does not include any area of unusual topography
75 or slope which renders the area unusable for organized recreation activities; and must
76 have ready access to a public street and utilities. Bryan E. Humphries and Associates
77 have been asked to complete the appraisal this year. The current adopted price per-acre
78 for 2015 is \$34,000. Based on the market study, Mr. Humphries' opinion is that the
79 approximate value for the average price-per acre of land in the City of Rockwall is
80 \$37,000. Chairman Bassett made a motion to maintain the \$1,050,000 to complete the 11
81 acre park and accept the price per-acre fee as \$37,000 for 2016. Larry Denny seconded
82 the motion which passed by a unanimous vote.

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84 **Staff Updates**

85 Daddy Daughter Dance was a success and we sold all tickets. ROCK Camp will be the
86 week of Rockwall's Spring Break, March 7-11. The Fun Guide has been released and so
87 has the new website launch with our Go Outside and Play Campaign include and online
88 registration.

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93 **Adjournment**

94 There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was
95 adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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97 PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE PARK BOARD OF THE CITY OF
98 ROCKWALL, TEXAS, this 14th day of March 2016.

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101 Brad Bassett
102 Chairman, Park Board

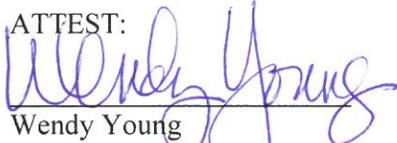
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107 Administrative Secretary