



CITY OF FULSHEAR

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THE FOLLOWING ARE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION HELD ON **FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.** AT THE FULSHEAR CITY HALL, 30603 FM 1093 WEST, FULSHEAR, TEXAS 77441 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:58 a.m. by Chairperson Lee Obrien.

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No comments

III. QUORUM/INTRODUCTIONS

Members present- Ramona Ridge, Jennifer Hagemann, Joe Goodwin, Dawn McRea, Katie Sallean

Others Present: Kent Pool, Zach Goodlander, Sharon Valiante, Kayla Villagomez

IV. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Approval of minutes for meeting held on November 15, 2019

A motion was made by Ramona Ridge to approve the amended minutes and seconded by Dawn McRea. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Discussion/action regarding 10-acre tract of property at Pecan Hill/359 and future use:

The City is moving forward the acquisition of the property, update on annexation in February or March.

C. FY20 Project concepts (Master Plan Update/Implementation)

1. Primrose Park Improvements

a) Phase 1 Construction – Proposal received/Council consideration on 10/15

Project at 75% completion

b) Phase 2 Design - Athletic Fields, Bike Track, Restrooms, etc.

Scope Design

2. Frances Smart Park- *The butterfly chairs are slated for installation.*

3. Paseo Park/Trail: *Zach gave progress update.*

4. Master Plan Update - Paseo Park/Trail, Primrose Park Layout, etc.: *Update by Zach*

5. Sun Canopy Quotes: *Two quotes reviewed*

6. Conservatory Parcel

D. An update regarding ongoing discussions with the YMCA

Council approved the MOU with the YMCA.

E. Discussion of future agenda items

Invite Andy Myers to discuss- all access park in March, April, June

V. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dawn McRea and seconded by Ramona Ridge to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:48 am. The motion passed unanimously.

Summary from MuniCode – Roles and Responsibilities

- **Sec. 4.09 - Boards and commissions; qualification.**

Except as otherwise provided by this Charter or other law, each candidate for appointment as a member of a board or commission shall have resided within the corporate limits of the City, or within territory annexed prior to the appointment, for at least six months preceding the appointment.

DIVISION 4. - PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Sec. 2-193. - Purpose.

The purpose of this division is to create a parks and recreation commission for the purpose of advising the city council with respect to planning, use and development of parks and recreational facilities within the jurisdiction of the city. The parks and recreation commission shall be advisory in nature. The parks and recreation commission has no authority, express or implied, to direct city staff nor to expend city funds.

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 1.0, 4-17-2012; Ord. No. 2018-1279 , § 2, 6-19-2018)

A parks and recreation commission is hereby established to perform such duties and functions as are required and/or authorized by state law, city ordinance and this division. The parks and recreation commission shall:

- (1) Act as an advisory board to the council with respect to the planning, use and development of parks and recreation facilities and related matters;
- (2) All matters considered as recommendation to the city council shall first pass a majority vote of this board;
- (3) Recommend and oversee the implementation of the parks master plan in conjunction with the city's comprehensive planning process including oversight of the land use and the physical development of the parks system;
- (4) Recommend future further development of parks and recreational facilities and work with city staff to propose the respective budgets for implementation;
- (5) Formulate and recommend to city council plans for maintenance and security of the parks system;
- (6) Monitor the receipt and disbursement of regional park funds in accordance with the requirements of the city, the development agreements and potentially future granting agencies; and
- (7) Perform any other planning and development related functions as requested by the city council.

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 2.0, 4-17-2012)

Summary from MuniCode – Roles and Responsibilities

Sec. 2-195. - Membership, appointment and removal.

(a) The parks and recreation commission shall be composed of seven resident members, two ex officio developer members, and an optional third ex officio member in the form of the city manager or their designee.

(1) Resident members must be qualified members who have resided within the corporate limits of the city, or within territory annexed prior to the appointment, for at least six months preceding the appointment.

(2) An ex officio member is not a member, shall not serve as a chairperson or vice-chairperson of the commission, shall not count towards the total of seven resident members, and shall have no power to cast a vote.

(b) The city manager or their designee may serve on the commission as an ex officio member.

(c) The city council may from time to time amend the number and qualifications of the body's membership. Further, a single member of the city council may be appointed to serve as a member of the commission in a manner consistent with this chapter and the Fulshear City Charter.

(d) Resident representatives shall be appointed through resolution in a manner consistent with the Charter, and likewise may be removed prior to the end of their term of service, with or without cause through resolution.

(e) Developer members shall be appointed by caucus of the various developers and presented to the mayor, city council and city manager in writing.

(f) Developers shall surrender their right to participate in the caucus for selection and appointment upon the completed build out of their respective development.

(g) Developer representatives may be removed by mayor, city council, or through caucus with or without cause prior to the end of their term of service.

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 3.0, 4-17-2012; Ord. No. 2015-1188, § 2.0, 6-16-2015; Ord. No. 2018-1279 , § 3, 6-19-2018)

(a) For those resident representatives appointed; the terms of four of the members shall expire on June 1 of each even-numbered year and the terms of the other three resident representative members shall expire on June 1 of each odd-numbered year.

(b) Appointees shall serve for a term of two years.

(c) If a membership vacancy exists, the term of office may be filled by a person appointed, consistent with the city charter, to fill the vacancy for the time remaining for that vacancy.

(d) No member shall be appointed for a term in excess of two years.

(e) Ex officio developer members shall be appointed for term not to exceed two years.

(f) Newly appointed members shall be installed at the first regular or special commission meeting after their appointment.

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 4.0, 4-17-2012; Ord. No. 2018-1279 , § 4, 6-19-2018)

Summary from MuniCode – Roles and Responsibilities

Sec. 2-197. - Organization.

- (a) A chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be elected annually from among the commission's membership at the first meeting in January.
- (b) Such offices may be alternately filled at such other times as these offices may become vacant.
- (c) No member shall serve more than two consecutive 12-month terms as chairperson.
- (d) In the absence of both the chairperson and the vice-chairperson, the commission shall elect an acting chairperson in order to conduct its business.
- (e) City staff shall act as a recording secretary and shall be responsible for the official minutes of all public hearings and meetings of the commission and these shall be presented to the city secretary for official recording.
- (f) The commission shall meet regularly and at the call of the chairperson who shall designate the time and place of its meetings.
- (g) The commission shall adopt its own rules and procedures consistent with applicable rules and regulations by government agencies of competent jurisdiction with this division and keep a record of its proceeding consistent with the provisions of this division and the requirements of state law.

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 5.0, 4-17-2012)

Sec. 2-198. - Duties and powers.

The parks and recreation commission is hereby charged with the duty and invested with the authority to:

- (1) Regularly inspect the city's parks and recreational facilities at reasonable hours where required in the discharge of its responsibilities under the laws of the state and of the city.
- (2) Participate in the formulation and recommend of the comprehensive plan and parks master plan and from time to time recommend such changes in the plan as it finds will facilitate the healthy enjoyment, recreation, safety, and general welfare of the citizens in their use of the parks and recreational facilities.
- (3) Exercise all the powers of a commission as to approval or disapproval of plans, their implementation and related expenditures and bring recommendations to city council.
- (4) Study and recommend on the location, extension and planning of public parks or other public places, and on the vacating or closing of same.
- (5) Initiate, in the name of the city, for consideration at public hearing, all proposals for the opening, vacating or closing of parks or other public places.
- (6) Formulate and recommend to the city council for its adoption, policies and regulations consistent with the comprehensive plan and parks master plan governing the location and/or operation of public facilities and services owned or under the oversight of the commission.
- (7) Keep itself informed with references to the progress of city planning in the state, the United States and other countries and recommend improvements in the adopted plans of the city.

Summary from MuniCode – Roles and Responsibilities

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 6.0, 4-17-2012)

Sec. 2-199. - Meeting and quorum.

(a) A quorum shall consist of a majority of voting members present at called regular or special meetings, duly posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, which is 72 hours before said meeting. The chairperson, or designee, shall provide the city secretary with an agenda for the required 72-hour posting.

(b) A motion may be made by any member of the commission. A motion to approve any matter before the commission or to recommend approval of any request requiring city council action shall require a majority of favorable votes of the members present.

(c) Provided further that no request or application shall be continued under this rule beyond the next regular meeting; failure of the commission to secure a majority of concurring votes to approve or recommend approval at said meeting shall be recorded in the minutes as a denial of the proposal under this rule. The chairperson of the commission may vote on all matters before the commission.

(Ord. No. 2012-1067, § 7.0, 4-17-2012)

Sec. 2-200. - Disqualification from voting.

(a) A member shall be disqualified from voting whenever a personal or monetary interest in the issue under consideration exists, or that will directly affect the decision of the commission.

(b) A member may disqualify themselves from voting whenever any applicant, or their agent, has sought to influence the vote of the member on their application, other than in the public hearing.

**Memorandum of Understanding between the YMCA of Greater Houston
and the City of Fulshear for a COMMUNITY PROGRAM PARTNERSHIP**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is by and between the Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Houston (YMCA), a Texas non-profit organization and the City of Fulshear (CITY), a Texas municipality, and is entered into this 19th day of November, 2019.

Whereas, the YMCA has as its stated purpose to strengthen the foundations of community through the development of youth, the support of healthy living and the fostering of shared social responsibility for overall community well-being; and

Whereas, one of the primary ways the YMCA accomplishes its stated purpose is by working with communities to develop and operate YMCA facilities at which are offered memberships, programs, and activities for people of all ages; and

Whereas, the YMCA believes that communities are served best when Ys work closely with groups of engaged volunteers who provide advice and counsel in support of YMCA decision making processes; and

Whereas, the CITY has adopted a Parks & Pathways Master Plan identifying parks and recreation initiatives through which the quality of life in Fulshear might be improved; and

Whereas, the CITY of Fulshear has identified long-term facility needs for parks and recreation activities requiring specific financial and operational planning; and

Whereas, the CITY seeks assurance that it shall have a voice in programmatic decision-making processes for future parks and recreation initiatives and facilities; and

Whereas, the CITY wishes to enter into a strategic partnership with the YMCA to pursue and implement these park and recreation opportunities; and

Therefore, the YMCA commits:

That for the duration of the YMCA-City partnership, to maintain a working relationship with the City Staff, City Parks & Recreation Commission, and the City Council towards these efforts.

That there will be a commitment to maintain open communications between the YMCA and the CITY regarding community programs and opportunities with the goal of continuing to foster a culture of collaboration and partnership between the YMCA and the CITY.

That the YMCA shall review the City's Parks & Pathways Master Plan and participate in the update of that Master Plan in order for the YMCA to have necessary knowledge and input into the Master Plan relative to the goals of this partnership.

That at the conclusion of the Parks & Pathways Master Plan review and update, the YMCA, with input from the CITY, shall work to create a long-term programming plan. This plan will guide future operating and capital responsibilities of both the YMCA and the CITY in the form of an agreement for review and approval by the CITY and the YMCA.

That the YMCA shall provide, as needed, a staff member to attend meetings and provide a written program report to City staff, the Fulshear City Council, and the City Parks & Recreation Committee.

That the program report shall include a summary of programs, relevant observations and findings, participant counts and projections, revenue and expense information, as well as future program development plans stemming both from the work and input of the CITY and the YMCA.

YMCA certifies that it does not and will not knowingly employ an undocumented worker in accordance with Chapter 2264 of the Texas Government Code, as amended. If YMCA is convicted of a violation under 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(f), YMCA shall repay the amount of any public subsidy provided under this MOU plus interest, at the rate of the prime rate plus six percent (6%) per annum, not later than the 120th day after the date the City notifies YMCA of the violation.

As required by Chapter 2271, Texas Government Code, YMCA hereby verifies that it, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of the same, does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel while this MOU is in effect. The term "boycott Israel" in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

Pursuant to Chapter 2252, Texas Government Code, YMCA hereby verifies that, at the time of execution of this MOU neither it, nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of the same, is a company listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Sections 2270.0201 or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code.

And as such, CITY commits:

To providing continual support to the YMCA and this partnership in the form of active participation in the educational efforts, planning initiatives, and the promotion of current and future recreational opportunities and related activities available to the Fulshear community.

To partner with the YMCA to identify and recruit advisory board and committee members from the Fulshear community.

Both parties will agree upon written alterations to this Memorandum of Understanding.

APPROVED:

YMCA of Greater Houston

Signed: _____
Name: Stephen Mves
Title: CEO & President

Date: 12/11/19

City of Fulshear

Signed: _____
Name: Aaron Groff
Title: Mayor

Date: 11-19-19





CITY OF FULSHEAR

APPLICATION FOR BOARDS & COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENT

The City Council will use this application for their selection of individuals for appointments to specific Boards and Commissions that were established to assist and advise the City Council on specific issues.

- All information provided in this application is public information pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act
- All individuals appointed to serve on a Board or Commission will be required to complete training relative to the Texas Open Meetings Act and the Texas Public Information Act

Name: _____

Phone Numbers: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Residential Address: _____

Email: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Telephone: _____

Do you live inside the city limits of Fulshear: Yes _____ No _____

If yes, how many years _____

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE FOLLOWING BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS:

(Please indicate Yes or No and rank preference by number with 1 being the group in which you are most interested)

- Economic Development Corporation “A” Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
- Economic Development Corporation “B” Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
- Planning and Zoning Commission Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
(Members also serve on the Capital Improvement Advisory Committee)
- Capital Improvement Advisory Committee Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
(ETJ/Out of City Limits Representative)
- Capital Improvement Advisory Committee Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
(Real Estate, Building, or Development Industry Representative – IF NEEDED)
- Historic Preservation & Museum Committee Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____
- Zoning Board of Adjustment Yes: _____ No: _____ Rank: _____

Occupation/Area(s) of Expertise: _____

Work experience applicable to the City Board or Commission for which you are applying:

Have you attended a City Council meeting? Yes: _____ No: _____

Have you attended a Board or Commission meeting for which you have applied?

Yes: _____ No: _____

Do you have knowledge/training regarding the applied Board or Commission?

Yes: _____ No: _____

List any specific knowledge/training/experience that qualifies you to serve in the position(s) indicated:

Do you have knowledge/expertise in any of the following areas?

Please check all that apply:

- Real Estate/ Development Yes: _____ No: _____
- Manufacturing/ Industrial Operations Yes: _____ No: _____
- Business Development Yes: _____ No: _____
- Law/Contractual Administration Yes: _____ No: _____
- Building/ Construction Yes: _____ No: _____
- Banking/ Finance Yes: _____ No: _____
- Real Estate/ Development Yes: _____ No: _____
- Promotion/ Marketing Yes: _____ No: _____
- Business Management Yes: _____ No: _____

Do you currently serve on any other City Board or Commission at this time?

Yes _____ No _____

If so, which Board or Commission? _____

Do you have any business or personal relationship with the City of Fulshear that would affect your ability to have impartial judgement in City matters? Attach

separate page, if necessary

Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please explain (Use separate page, if necessary):

What type of service do you feel the Board or Commission to which you have applied has brought to the community? Attach separate page, if necessary

Do you know the purpose of the Board or Commission for which you have applied? Please provide a brief statement:

What do you hope to contribute to the community by serving on the Board or Commission to which you applied? Attach a separate page, if necessary.

List any civic, community, or volunteer activities with which you have been involved that you feel should be considered:

I understand that if any member of the public makes a request for information included in this application for appointment, it must be disclosed under the Public Information Act. I also understand that it may not be legally possible to maintain the confidentiality of such information, and I hereby release the City of Fulshear, and its agents, employees and officers, from any and all liability whatsoever if the information must be released pursuant to the Public Information act.

I swear that all of the statement in my application and attached addendum, if any, are true and correct. I hereby affirm that I am aware of the requirement of the position and certify that I meet those requirements.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

All applications must be signed and submitted to the City Secretary. If there are no vacancies at the time of submittal, all applications are kept two (2) years from receipt of the application and will be destroyed as mandated. Please call (281-346-1796) or email (kkopecky@fulsheartexas.gov) any questions to the City Secretary's office.

Submit applications by mail to:

City of Fulshear
Attn: City Secretary
P. O. Box 279
30603 FM 1093
Fulshear, Texas 77441

Or e-mail completed application to: kkopecky@fulsheartexas.gov

Meeting Date: 2nd – Friday @ 9:00am

Parks and Recreation Commission

Name	Position	Email	Phone	Term End
Ramona Ridge	Member <i>Co-Chairperson</i>	ramonaridge@swbell.net	713-703-4129	June 2020
Jennifer Hagemann		Jench929@gmail.com	214-533-0899	June 2020
Lee O'Brien	<i>Chairperson</i>	Leeobrien1974@outlook.com	281-546-0129	June 2020
Dawn McRea		dawnmcrea@yahoo.com	713-825-8245	June 2020
Joe Goodwin		Jjoeg99@gmail.com	979-255-0677	June 2021
Vacant				June 2021
Katie Sallean		dk@sallean.com	713-502-5701	June 2021
Rob Bamford	Developer Member	robb@johnsondev.com	713-960-9977	June 2019
Bill Sweitzer	Developer Member	info@sweitzerassoc.com	281-496-3111	June 2019

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1324

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FULSHEAR, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 32 OF THE FULSHEAR CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE IV, REGARDING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CITY PARKS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City of Fulshear, Texas (“City”), owns and operates one or more public parks within its city limits, extraterritorial jurisdiction, or both; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fulshear, Texas (the “City Council”) finds that reasonable rules and regulations for the use of City parks promotes the health, safety, and general welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt certain rules and regulations for all City parks which provide reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULSHEAR, TEXAS:

Section 1. Chapter 32 of the Fulshear Code is hereby amended by adding a new Article IV thereto to read as follows:

“ARTICLE IV. – CITY PARKS

Sec. 32-161. – Park rules.

- (a) The following rules apply to all public parks owned and operated by the City:
 - (1) *Hours of operation.* No person shall occupy the premises of a park between sunset and sunrise. This subpart does not apply to a City employee, official, or agent who occupies the premises of a park within the scope of the employee’s, official’s, or agent’s official duty.
 - (2) *Motorized vehicles prohibited.* Motorized vehicles, including vehicles that are powered in whole or in part by an electric motor, are prohibited on the premises of a park. This subpart does not apply to:
 - (A) the operation, stopping, standing, or parking of a motorized vehicle in a designated parking area unless otherwise prohibited; or
 - (B) the use of a motorized vehicle by an individual with a disability if the use is necessary to accommodate the disability.

- (3) *Prohibited animals.* Animals are prohibited on the premises of a park. This subpart does not apply to:
- (A) wildlife;
 - (B) a dog that is under the control of its handler by use of a harness, leash, or other tether; or
 - (C) a service animal that is used by an individual with a disability and that is under the control of its handler by use of a harness, leash, or other tether, unless either the handler is unable because of a disability to use a harness, leash, or other tether, or the use of a harness, leash, or other tether would interfere with the service animal's safe, effective performance of work or tasks, in which case the service animal must be otherwise under the handler's control (e.g., voice control, signals, or other effective means).
- (4) *Animal waste.* The handler of an animal described by subpart (3)(B) or (C) shall immediately dispose of the animal's waste in an appropriate solid waste receptacle.
- (5) *Alcohol prohibited.* Alcohol is prohibited on the premises of a park.
- (6) *Glass containers prohibited.* Glass containers are prohibited on the premises of a park.
- (b) Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined as provided in section 1-17."

Section 2. **Severability.** In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Fulshear, Texas declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, or whether there be one or more parts.

Section 3. **Repeal.** All other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 4. **Effective date.** This Ordinance shall be effective and in full force when published as required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this, the _____ day of _____, 2020.

Aaron Groff, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly Kopecky, City Secretary

Executive Summary

Introduction

The Benefits of Parks and Open Space

Parks and open space are key components contributing to the quality of life for any community. These elements of the public domain provide spaces for recreation and exercise, aesthetic value, as well as ecological services such as mitigating stormwater runoff, cleaning the air we breathe and providing wildlife habitat in the urban environment. Studies have also shown that parks can increase the property values of homes in a community. “The real estate market consistently demonstrates that many people are willing to pay a larger amount for a property located close to parks and open space areas than for a home that does not offer this amenity,” writes John L. Crompton, a professor at Texas A&M University who has published extensive research on parks and recreation

The Need for a Plan

The City of Fulshear, Texas is a growing community in Northwest Fort Bend County, Texas. Once a small, rural farming community, Fulshear has grown significantly in recent years as residential development has progressed westward from the Houston area. The Census recorded 716 residents in Fulshear in the year 2000, and 1,168 residents in 2010.

The 2016 Census estimate for Fulshear’s population is 7,925, although the Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri), a leader in geographic information sciences, provides estimates of Fulshear’s population at 10,290 residents in 2017. The evidence is clear that Fulshear is growing rapidly.

In January of 2018, the City engaged Burditt Land | Place Studio to develop a *Parks and Pathways Master Plan* that would identify needs and opportunities for adding new parks, pathways and other recreation amenities to the community. Development of

the *Parks and Pathways Master Plan* included a variety of studies to identify patterns of growth and development, inventory of existing public and private recreation facilities, public demand for recreation and creative solutions for addressing an increasing demand with an understanding of the fiscal constraints and realities of land use and development in the area.

Demand Assessment

An important component of a parks and recreation planning effort is the determination of goals, needs, and desires of the public regarding parks, trails, facilities, and programs. In order to reach out to residents in the most effective manner, a variety of approaches were utilized, including the following: a public meeting, an online survey, targeted interviews, Parks Commission meetings, and ongoing collaboration with staff and elected officials.

2008 Parks Planning

In 2008, the City of Fulshear conducted several outreach activities to engage citizens in the parks planning process. Even in 2008, with a population of approximately 1,200 residents, Fulshear recognized the need to plan for the coming growth regarding parks, trails and recreation amenities.

On February 18, 2008, the City hosted a Town Hall meeting for parks planning that yielded valuable insight into what types of features and amenities were desired by residents. Notably, the results of the 2008 stakeholder input show similar needs to those of today’s residents.

Key Findings and Recommendations

The studies and stakeholder outreach have yielded a consistent message that Fulshear is in need of more recreation offerings in order to keep up with the demand of a growing community. While most of recreation services are currently being provided by other entities such as private leagues,

neighborhood and property owners associations, and school districts, there is a place for City-provided parks, facilities, and programs to complement those provided by the private sector, creating a more complete lifestyle for residents. Some of the most desired features, programs, and amenities are listed below:

Top 4 Priority Needs

1. Pedestrian Facilities
2. Community Events (and Event Space)
3. Sports Facilities
4. Bicycle Facilities

Priority Projects Identified:

1. Primrose Park- New Community/Regional Park and Sports Complex
2. Paseo Park Concept– A Concept for a Passive, Linear, Park within Future FM 1093 Esplanade
3. Frances Smart Park Renovation- Formal Event Patio and Park Improvements
4. Prototype 5-Acre Park – Design prototype for 5-Acre Community Park with typical amenities
5. Pathway Master Plan- Proposed pedestrian and bicycle pathways throughout Fulshear

“The City will continue to monitor opportunities to weave green spaces and elements into the community’s growing and redeveloping areas to meet the need for more parks, trails and preserved open spaces as desired by residents.”

- Fulshear Comprehensive Plan

- Park Features
- Baseball/Softball 4-Plex
 - Multi-purpose Fields (soccer/football/lacrosse)
 - Basketball Courts (2)
 - Amphitheater
 - Walking Trails
 - Playgrounds (2)
 - Amenity Pond
 - Pavilion



Conceptual Site Plan - Primrose Park

*not to scale

Park Improvements at Irene Stern Center



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