

August 17, 2017

**ROCKDALE PARK BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**Present:**

**Members:**

L.C. Richards  
Walker Crane  
Tim Ramey

**City Staff:**

Chris Whittaker, City Manager

**Absent:**

Lisa Benford-Roberts  
Jamie Austin

**Call to Order and announce a Quorum is Present**

With a quorum of the Park Board members present, the Special Meeting of the Rockdale Park Board was called to order by Tim Ramey at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 17, 2017, at City Hall, 505 W. Cameron Ave, Rockdale, Texas.

**3A. Review and take any necessary action on updates to the Rockdale Parks Master Plan (Section 10.3.2 Parks and Recreation of the City of Rockdale Comprehensive City Plan)**

The following changes were made to Section 10.3.2 Parks and Recreation:

- Public (City and School) Parks and Facilities
  - Fair Park
    - Remove “and the Jubilee Days.”
    - Remove last sentence and table
  - George Hill Patterson Community Center
    - Remove last sentence and table
  - Bridge Park (*add section*)
    - Add “Bridge Park celebrates the Sheckles and Galbreath bridges and is connected to downtown by a walking path. Includes pavilions, trails and benches.”
  - Softball Field
    - Add “The field has restrooms.”
  - Skate Park (*changed from Skate Plaza*)
    - Change Plaza to Park
    - Remove last sentence
  - Sumuel Park
    - Add BBQ pit to park amenities
    - Add “Splash Pad was funded through a TPW grant.”
    - Remove last sentence
  - Veterans Park
    - Add Frisbee golf course to park amenities
    - Remove last sentence of first paragraph
    - Update Table 1 with the following:
      - Veterans Park – add Bleachers, Volleyball Court, and Frisbee Golf
      - Sumuel Park – add Restrooms
      - Skate Park – add Lighting and Water fountains
      - Bridge Park – add Barbecue grills, Butterfly garden, Horseshoe pits, Lighting, Park benches, Pavilion, Picnic area, Restrooms, Swings, Walking trail, and Water fountains
- Recreational Facility Standards
  - Remove “Source: [www.prm.nau.edu/prm423/recreation\\_standards.htm](http://www.prm.nau.edu/prm423/recreation_standards.htm)”
  - Change “are3” to “area”

- Analysis
  - Remove last sentence of first paragraph
  - Change next-to-last sentence in second paragraph to read, "Rockdale has a walking trail for residents who want to walk at Sumuel and Veterans Parks."
- Prioritization of Needs

| RANK | PROJECT   | LOCATION   | TIMEFRAME          |
|------|---|--|--------------------|
| 1    | Install lighting  | Sumuel Park basketball court                     | Within 1 year      |
| 2    | Install Frisbee Golf course   | Veterans Park                                    |                    |
| 3    | Install Frisbee Golf course   | Skate Park/Patterson Center                      |                    |
| 4    | Construct Walking Trail   | San Antonio & Aransas Pass<br>Rail easement      |                    |
| 5    | Develop a theme for each park   | All parks  | Within 1 year      |
| 6    | Install parking   | Sumuel Park                                      | Within 2 years     |
| 7    | Provide summer recreation programming and offer more tournaments by hiring summer recreation director | All parks  | Within 2-3 years   |
| 8    | Construct Splash Pad  | Veterans Park                                    | Within 5 years     |
| 9    | Expand parking  | Veterans Park                                    | Within 5 years     |
| 10   | Construct passive park  | Post Oak Circle                                  | Within 5 years     |
| 11   | Construct a dog park  | Next to animal control center                    | Within 5 years     |
| 12   | Construct a soccer field  | Work with RISD to construct field at high school | Within 5 years     |
| 13   | Install restrooms   | Skate Park                                       | Within 10 years    |
| 14   | Improve/repair softball field on Beverly Drive through new sod, new fences, new backstop              | Softball field on Beverly Drive                  | Within 10 years    |
| 15   | Construct a young children's park   | Determine park to place equipment                | Within 10 years    |
| 16   | Pave parking  | Moultry Park                                     | Within 10-15 years |
| 17   | Construct an indoor recreation center   | Acquire land or vacant building                  | Within 10-15 years |
| 18   | Install lighting  | Veterans Park                                    |                    |
| 19   | Construct a passive park  | Next to city hall                                |                    |
| 20   | Install lighting  | Moultry Park                                     |                    |
| 21   | Re-plant turf   | All parks  |                    |

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Board member Richards and a second by Board member Crane, the Park Board voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve changes and submit to P&Z Commission for inclusion in Master Plan. Motion carried.

#### 4. Adjournment

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Board member Richards and a second by Board member Crane, the Park Board voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn. Motion carried.

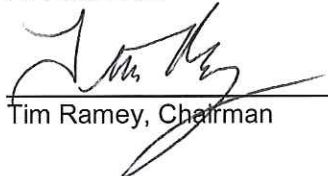
Adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

These minutes approved on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

**ATTEST:**

  
Terry Blanchard, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
Tim Ramey, Chairman