STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER & RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

MINUTES

On June 10th, 2026 the Parks and Recreation Board met at 01:30 p.m. at the Parks and Recreation Board Room located at 509 S. Johnson Street Amarillo, TX, 79107 for a Regular Meeting.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Mr. Howard Smith	YES	28	26
Mr. Ronnie Walker	YES	28	23
Mr. Robert Altman	YES	74	69
Mr. Tim Reid	YES	7	6
Mr. Rodney Hill	YES	28	25
Mr. Thomas Riney	YES	28	26
Mr. Ronny Head	YES	28	27
Mr. Shelby Massey	YES	45	41
Mrs. Skylar Gallop	YES	34	23
Mr. Alan Cox	YES	17	14
Vacant			

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

MICHAEL KASHUBA	DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
JAMES STOW	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
BECKI DRYER	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
ASHLEY GUERRERO	RECORDING SECRETARY
DUSTIN JOHNSON	DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY

ITEM 1 Call to Order
Chairman, Mr. Bob Altman established a quorum and called the regular scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to order at 1:30p.m.

ITEM 2 Public Comments
Mr. Tim Benson addressed the Board and asked questions regarding Board engagement and communication with citizens.

ITEM 3 Discuss and Consider Minutes
A motion was made by Mr. Howard Smith said motion was seconded by Mr. Shelby Massey, voting aye were 10 members, voting no were none, carried to approved meeting minutes from May 13th, 2026.

ITEM 4 Present, and Discuss Conflict of Interest.
Mrs. Coggins distributed Conflict of Interest acknowledgment forms to board members and reviewed the applicable requirements under the Texas Local Government Code. Board members requested time to review the applicable statutes before signing.

ITEM 5 Present, and Discuss the Aquatic Feasibility Study Update.
The Board discussed the proposed scope of the aquatic market viability study, including a third-party evaluation of the City's aquatic facilities. Staff explained that the study would assess repair and replacement options and provide cost estimates to assist future decision-making. Board members reviewed the proposed scope and consultant engagement process. No action was required at this time. The item will be placed on a future agenda for formal recommendation following additional review of materials and incorporation of feedback into the proposal.

ITEM 6 Present, and Discuss the State of the Parks
Staff discussed the Parks Department's five-year progress update, including capital improvements completed since 2019 and ongoing infrastructure and maintenance challenges throughout the park system. Staff also referenced the recent presentation provided to City Council, noting that the presentation was available online and offering to answer any questions from Board members regarding its content. Updates were provided regarding irrigation repairs and reseeding efforts at John Ward Park, as well as the challenges associated with maintaining aging irrigation infrastructure. Board

members acknowledged the progress made across City parks and recognized the continued need for maintenance and future improvements.

ITEM 7 Present, and Discuss Policies for Re-naming a Park.

Mr. Kashuba presented the City's renaming municipal code along with a draft application, checklist, and criteria developed following the prior request to rename John Ward Park. The Board discussed the proposed process for evaluating future park renaming requests, including the importance of verifying applicant claims, potentially requiring supporting documentation such as military records where applicable, and having applicants present their requests to the Board.

Discussion also included consideration of adding a nominal application fee or deposit to offset administrative and research costs, with the understanding that fees could be waived or refunded upon Council approval. Staff noted that any fee changes would require Council approval through the City's fee ordinance. The Board further discussed whether certain parks with historical or geographic significance should generally be excluded from renaming consideration, and noted that denied applications would include an appeal option to Council.

The Board expressed general agreement with the proposed application and process framework, with minor refinements to be considered regarding verification requirements and fee structure.

ITEM 8 Present, and Discuss "Your Parks, Your Voice".

The Board discussed continuing quarterly community engagement meetings and agreed to hold future sessions at rotating City facilities to reach a broader range of residents. Members supported an informal, town hall-style format and emphasized the need for clear public decorum guidelines. Staff will develop proposed rules of conduct and assist in scheduling the next meeting for early fall at Warford.

ITEM 9 Discuss Items for Future Agendas

- Action on aquatic feasibility study
- Community involvement with parks
- Public safety update
- John Ward status update

ITEM 10 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:48p.m. This meeting was recorded, and all comments are on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

ATTEST:

Ms. Ashley Guerrero, Board Secretary

Mr. Bob Altman, Board Chair

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Mr. Shelby Massey, Board Vice Chair