



Public Arts Advisory Board

Minutes

Regular Meeting

May 19, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

300 Country Club Road, Bldg. 100
Wylie, TX 75098

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Minerva Bediako at 6:15 pm. Members present included: John Treadwell, Esther Bellah, Christina Null, and Steve Shank. Board members Michael Schwerin and Lily Courtney were absent.

PAAB Coordinator Carole Ehrlich was also in attendance.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Residents may address the Board regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Residents must fill out a non-agenda form prior to the meeting in order to speak. The Board requests that comments be limited to three (3) minutes. In addition, the Board is not allowed to converse, deliberate, or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation.

No citizens were present to address the board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Presentation and discussion regarding a proposed splash park in the East Meadow and Dog Park (Brent Stowers, Parks Manager)

Brent Stowers, Parks Manager presented a short PowerPoint showing two proposed splash parks and a dog park planned for by City Council and the Parks Department. He explained that one splash park would be located in the East Meadow near Brown Street where Prairie Crossing is located. The dog park would be located east of the Library in the meadow area. The other splash park would be located in Community Park near the Senior Center.

He noted the two projects located at the Municipal Complex would have the Blackland Prairie theme and some of the amenities would carry the theme as well. He explained that there was \$1.2 million set aside for the three projects however until the designs were complete there was not a definitive cost.

Board members asked how close the splash park would be to the Prairie Crossing art project and Stowers replied it would be some distance away across the walking trails. PAAB members were excited for the new projects and asked if art would be part of the projects. PAC Ehrlich replied that art would be placed at each location and more than likely would need additional funding by the art fund to provide the art; based on the CIP cost of the projects.

Stowers mentioned he would bring the designs and costs for each project back to the board once they were finalized and approved by the Parks Board and Council.

1. Discussion regarding the 2022 Bluegrass on Ballard Event

Board Discussion

PAC Ehrlich reported she had received 89 vendor applications and 16 food vendor applications for the event. She reminded members it would take place on June 25, 2022. Ehrlich asked for volunteers to assist in assigning booth numbers to the final vendor list. Board members Bellah, Shank, and Null volunteered to assist with Board member Treadwell as an alternate.

2. Discussion and update regarding the Fire Station #4 Public Art Project

Board/Staff Discussion

PAC Ehrlich reported the event for the art dedication and Fire Station #4 was very nice and thanked the board members who were able to attend. She stated that she believed everyone had taken the opportunity to look over the art and insure that all of the project milestones had been completed. She reported there would be a business item for consideration of the final approval and payment to the artist.

3. Discussion regarding the Wylie Municipal Complex Walking Trails Art Project

Board Discussion

PAC Ehrlich reported she had completed the Call for Artists for the entry piece to the walking trails. She explained that she had taken a presentation to the City Council to let them know the theme and get feedback. The Council was 100% in favor of the Blackland Prairie theme. The call has been posted both on Café and on Americans for the Arts websites. It was also sent to the City of Dallas Cultural Arts department for disbursement to regional artists on their artist lists. Deadline for submissions would be the 13th of June.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Consider and act upon the minutes from April 21, 2022.** *(C Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Coordinator)*

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Treadwell, seconded by board member Null to approve the Public Arts Advisory Board minutes from April 21, 2022 as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with board members Courtney and Schwerin absent.

2. **Consider and act upon, final approval of NEVER FORGET at Fire Station 4, including the final payment for the budgeted project.** *(C. Ehrlich, Public Arts Advisory Board Coordinator)*

Board Discussion

PAC Ehrlich reported the board has had time to review the final project and made a determination as to completion. She asked that the board consider approval of the project and final payment. She noted that she would also reach out to the Fire Chief for final approval to insure they are satisfied with the final design.

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Treadwell, seconded by board member Shank to approve the final design of NEVER FORGET and remaining budget to be paid to the artist. A vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with board members Courtney and Schwerin absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Action

A motion was made by board member Shank, seconded by board member Treadwell to adjourn the meeting: at 7:26 p.m. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5-0 with board members Courtney and Schwerin absent.

Minerva Bediako, Chair

ATTEST:

Carole Ehrlich, Secretary