

1/13/2026

Agenda Item No. A)

PRESENTER:

Ken Wilson, Director

SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider approval of the November 18, 2025 Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

DISCUSSION:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

**DRAFT - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Jason Vreeland called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Board members present: Jason Vreeland, Katie Rae Preston, Joyce Compton, Eric Reed, Courtney Lyons-Garcia, Destin Singleton, Laurie Wehring

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Discuss and consider approval of the September 9, 2025 Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Katie Rae Preston made a motion to approved the minutes, Laurie Wehring seconded.

4. RECOGNITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) November Recognitions and Announcements

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Samantha Morrison has moved from the Recreation Supervisor at Landa Recreation Center over to Fischer Park as the new Recreation Supervisor, and Davis Brown has accepted the position as the Assistant Recreation Supervisor, after an internship with the department.

Erin Bryant has been promoted to the Recreation Supervisor at Landa Recreation Center, having served 2 years as the Assistant.

Upcoming Events:

- Downtown Lighting - November 21
- Wassailfest - December 4
- Grinch Movie in the Park - December 6.

5. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS

This time is for citizens to address the Park and Recreation Advisory Board on issues and items of concerns not on this agenda. There will be no Board action at this time.

No citizens spoke at this time.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A) Northwest Park Master Plan Update

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Brenadette Faust gave an update on the Northwest Park Master Plan. The plan is currently in the Master Planning stage. The community survey on the concepts closed on Nov 15th, high level data was presented from the responses. Next steps are to take all feedback on park elements and make the decision on what elements will be included in the master plan. The master planning stage will continue through summer 2026 and looking to have a completion in winter 2026.

B) River Season Wrap Up

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Amy Niles presented the 2025 River Season Review to the Board. The river visitation is still being impacted by drought conditions and major high water events. Last Tubers Exit construction is complete and new parking spaces and fees were added to Cypress Bend Park. The free lifejacket program to be expanded to Cypress Bend Park in Summer 2026. Cypress Bend Park has become more family oriented and had available parking for residents.

Resident River Passes

3,481 Resident River Passes (2ToTube) were issued to residents at Park Admin and Das Rec.

8,836 Resident River Parking Permits were issued by Interstate Parking. Out of those issued, only 1,955 were used at a river parking lot for a total of 3,837 visits.

Parking revenue is number one source for River Fund. Cypress Bend revenue \$138,020.00. River Management Fees were less than half of years prior from decrease in visitation. Underwater litter collection was lower due to lower visitation. Faust St Bridge changes led to a sharp decrease in litter and calls for service.

Upcoming projects: river sign plans, water safety outreach, free lifejacket program for Cypress Bend Park, sidewalk programs to

increase mobility and safety

There are no recommended changes for the 2026 season.

C) Landa Park Golf Course Annual Summary

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Quint Alexander, Golf Course Manager, provided an summary of FY25 at the Landa Park Golf Course.

Record number of rounds and merchandise sales.

GolfNow ratings continue to be high based on course conditions, value, pace of play, staff.

Course improvements include: greens covers, 64 new golf carts, new nets on hitting cages, split rail fencing and rock work. Back deck renovation opened in October and has been a great success and the players have been enjoying it.

D) System-Wide Master Plan Update

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Jeff Bransford provided an update to the Board on the Level of Service Analysis in the System-Wide Master Plan process. Level of Service Analysis examines the current inventory and helps to predict what will be needed in the future. Level of service of Park Land, Trails, and Facilities was reviewed.

7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

A) Approval of placement of Historical Marker in Landa Park

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Cindy Coers, Chair, Comal County Historical Commission, presented on the possible placement of a Texas Historical Marker at the Landa Park Dance Slab. The Heritage Society is the financial sponsor of the marker but would like to have the marker installed in Landa Park for more people to see and learn about the historic Kindermaskenball.

Courtney Lyons Garcia made a motion to approve the placement of the historic marker, Joyce Compton seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

B) Landa Park Aquatic Complex Dates of Operation

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

Stephanie Chelar, Recreation Manager, presented to the Board the proposed operational update for the Landa Park Aquatic Complex. Joyce Compton made a motion to approve the update as written, Destin Singleton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

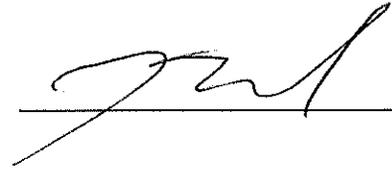
8. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Jason Vreeland introduced the item.

1. Bike Racks as a part of park improvements
2. Mission Hill Update

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

By:


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Attest:


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**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Agenda Item
Report**

550 Landa Street
New Braunfels, TX

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January Recognitions and Announcements

DISCUSSION:

We are excited to welcome two new supervisors to the recreation team. Camila Kelly started in November as the Assistant Recreation Supervisor at the Landa Recreation Center and John Henry Perez started in December as the Athletic Programs Supervisor.

We are also excited to announce Mia Huet as the Assistant Recreation Center Manager at Das Rec. Mia previously held the Assistant Guest Services Supervisor position and has been a part of the Das Rec team for 5 years.

Upcoming Events:

Daddy Daughter Dance - February 7th

Get your tickets before they sell out! Interested in volunteering? Email Alyssa Sterling
asterling@newbraunfels.gov <<mailto:asterling@newbraunfels.gov>>

Park Foundation 5th Annual Golf FORE Parks Golf Tournament - April 10th

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A