

# **City of New Braunfels, Texas**

*550 LANDA STREET*



## **Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 8, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

**JOINT Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and River Advisory  
Committee Meeting  
City Hall - Council Chambers**

### **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board**

## **AGENDA**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Called to order at 6:01pm by Park Advisory Board Chair, Joe Turner

### **2. ROLL CALL**

The following members were present: Joe Turner, Jason Vreeland, Amber Brown, Katie Rae Preston, Joyce Compton, Courtney Lyons-Garcia, Dick Hillyer, Sarah Shea, David Davenport, Shane Wolf, and Corinne Speare.

### **3. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS**

No citizens spoke at this time.

### **4. STAFF REPORT**

A)

2024 End of River Season Summary Presentation

Joe Turner introduced the item. Amy Niles presented on the state of river operations from this past summer season.

Items to address for 2025: Signage for last Tubers exit closure, safety signage, replace damaged signs, continue education on disposable container ban, update to shuttle permit deadline to May 15th

### **5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

A)

Discuss and Consider Recommendations for 2025 for Paid Parking at Fair Lane by River Acres Park.

Amy Niles introduced the item. Paid parking along Fair Lane for River Acres Park began in 2024 with weekends and holidays only. Compliance was high and revenue exceeded expectations. Staff recommendation is to expand paid parking fees to 7 days a week, May 1-Labor Day.

River Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board unanimously recommend 7-day a week parking for Fair Lane, with free resident parking, and expanding the season to March 1- September 30

B)

Discuss and Consider Recommendations for 2025 for Paid Parking at Cypress Bend Park.

Amy Niles introduced the item. During the summer season, Cypress Bend Park is regularly patrolled by Park Rangers and NBPD and trash at the park is managed through the City's trash contractor, all of which are paid for through the River Fund. However, no revenue is generated from river recreation.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and River Activities Committee recommend \$20 paid parking in Cypress Bend, 7-days a week, with free resident parking with a valid river resident parking pass.

Pavilion rental will continue to have 4 reserved parking spaces, which will be free

RAC and PARB also recommend consideration for a season expansion of March 1- September 30

Recommendation from PARB was 5-1, while RAC was unanimous.

C)

Discuss and Consider Recommendations for Prioritizing Safety in the Faust Street Bridge Area.

Amy Niles introduced the item. The City of New Braunfels has right of way for a total of 50 feet under the Faust Street Bridge. River goes cross through ROW to access private and state owned areas. Litter in the area, police citations, vandalism and graffiti, and emergency response access has led to discussions.

City Staff, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and River Advisory Committee unanimously recommend to fence off the right of way access that is City owned underneath the Faust Street Bridge.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIR

Attest:

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BOARD LIASON

