



**CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS
RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**



**CITY HALL- TEJAS ROOM
550 LANDA STREET
NEW BRAUNFELS, TX**

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022 at 4:00 PM

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of River Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes [22-509](#)
for April 21, 2022, and Joint Meeting with the Parks and
Recreation Advisory Board Meeting for May 10, 2022.

3. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS

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

4. BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

6. STAFF REPORT

May River Operations Update [22-686](#)

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

7. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the New Braunfels City Hall.

Board Liaison

NOTE: Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or large print, are requested to contact the City Secretary's Office at 221-4010 at least two (2) work days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.



River Advisory Committee Agenda Item Report

550 Landa Street
New Braunfels, TX

6/16/2022

Agenda Item No.

PRESENTER:

Amy Niles, River Operations Manager

SUBJECT:

Approval of River Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes for April 21, 2022, and Joint Meeting with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting for May 10, 2022.



**CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS
RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 21, 2022
MINUTES**

Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

River Advisory Committee Members present: David Davenport, Keith Fontenot, Shane Wolf, Scott Roots, and Darren Hill.

City staff members present: River Operations Manager, Amy Niles; River Operations Specialist, Lee Garteiser; Assistant City Manager, Jared Werner; Chief of Police, Keith Lane; Patrol Lieutenant, Steve Hanna; Patrol Lieutenant, Joe Robles; Director of Communications, Jenna Vinson; Parks and Recreation Director, Stacey Dicke; Park Ranger Superintendent, Marika Misangyi; Park Ranger Assistant Superintendent, Meaghan McDonald; Watershed Program Manager, Mark Enders.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman David Davenport called the meeting to order at 4:00P.M.

2. CONSIDER AND APPROVE MINUTES FROM February 17, 2022 RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting minutes from the February 17, 2022 River Advisory Committee Meeting were motioned for approval by Mr. Fontenot and seconded by Mr. Wolf. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

There was no citizens' communication

4. BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Heather Harrison provided an update on potential projects to be on the next BOND. She highlighted potential support for Comal River projects to be included. The BOND Advisory Committee will not be meeting this summer, so Heather will return to give RAC another update after the BOND Advisory Committee resumes meeting.

5. STAFF REPORT

- A) Presentation on One Water in New Braunfels - Watershed Program Manager Mark Enders, NBU Director of Customer Solutions Sarah Richards, NBU Chief Administrative Officer David Hubbard provided informative presentation on efforts to keep New Braunfels water resources clean and sustainable.
- B) Presentation on River Safety Video – Director of Communications Jenna Vinson presented video developed by the City to be informative and provide useful tips to enhance safety and enjoyment on the river. Indicated plans for distribution in theaters and with the cooperation of outfitters.
- C) Update on the Comal River Improvement Project – River Operations Manager Amy Niles informed the committee that Freese and Nicholls will be moving forward with preliminary design for Weir Dam #2, and with ADA assessment and requirements with proposed phases 1 and 2 for the Last Public Exit. A more detailed presentation and call for recommendations will come at the Joint Park and Recreation Advisory Board and River Advisory Committee meeting in May.



D) Update on Water Recreation Shuttle Permitting for 2022 – River Operations Manager Amy Niles informed the committee that we were over half-way complete, getting very close with information we had on-hand. All-in-all the process has been well-received, with realization now that we have been able to capture a lot of the information, it will be easier in the future as only edits will need to be made to existing information and process in-place for new shuttles.

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- Joint meeting with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to discuss Comal River Improvements Project and River Season Preparations

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Approved on May 10, 2022 by:

David Davenport, Chair



**CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS
JOINT RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING
MAY 10, 2022
MINUTES**

Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

River Advisory Committee Members present: David Davenport, Darren Hill, Shane Wolf, Scott Roots, and Chris Werk.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members present: Joe Turner, Bryan Feltner, Amber Brown, Jason Vreeland, Thomas Blagg, Kristen Carden, and Katie Rae Preston.

City staff members present: River Operations Manager, Amy Niles; River Operations Specialist, Lee Garteiser; Chief of Police, Keith Lane; Patrol Lieutenant, Steve Hanna; Parks and Recreation Director, Stacey Dicke; Parks and Recreation Assistant Director, Ken Wilson; Park Development Manager, Ylda Capriccioso; Parks Analyst, Shannon Jackson; Transportation and Capital Improvements Director, Garry L. Ford.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairmen David Davenport called the River Advisory Committee meeting to order and Chairman Joe Turner called the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting to order at 6:00P.M. Both designated that this meeting is a joint meeting.

2. ROLL CALL

3. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

There was no citizens' communication

4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- A) Transportation and Capital Improvement Director Garry Ford gave a presentation on the Comal River Improvements Projects – Discussion surrounded TC-5 and TC-2 coupled with a solution for Weir Dam #2 that includes a center chute. Last Public Exit improvements were also discussed for increased landing space, ramp, and retaining wall improvements with LT-2 as most potential solution, possibly LT-3 or LT-4 if additional land was available.

5. STAFF REPORT

- A) River Operations Manager Amy Niles provided an update on internal and external improvements made in preparation of the 2022 River Season. Parks and Recreation Director Stacie Dickie provided an update on hiring efforts, and the need for additional staff in several Parks and Recreations divisions.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Approved on June 16, 2022 by:



David Davenport, Chair

6/16/2022

Agenda Item No.

PRESENTER:

Amy Niles, River Operations Manager

SUBJECT:

May River Operations Update

DISCUSSION:

Amy Niles will present revenues and statistics recorded for May 2022 for the River Advisory Committee to discuss.

The “RAC Dashboard” can be found at this link:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/publish?EQBCT=8045ccaaaf324d5c9e6a86b7b8de6c0f>

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A