

PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
May 29, 2024

PRAB Members Present: Jake Chesnutt; Chair, Lance Beasley, Carol Malveaux, Lola Skolnik, Marc Seigel

Staff Present: Greg Varda; Recreation Director, Cathryn Pracht; Recreation-Administrative Coordinator

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Jake Chesnutt, PRAB Chair

April Meeting Minutes were approved.

Draft Buddy Attick Park Master Plan Review:

- Note that the 1992 Buddy Attick Park Master Plan was approved and adopted by City Council.
- List City Council names, PRAB names and Project Team names under “Acknowledgements”.
- Historical content should be reviewed by Megan Young, Museum Director.
- Clearly define all map legends with better contrast.
- Change “sports complex” to Braden complex (page 18).
- Organize in order of meetings (page 30).
- Include grade information (page 40 & 41).
- Change “lakeside” references to “lakeshore” to eliminate potential confusion.
- Review all pictures for accuracy and clarity.
- More information is needed on lake trail materials.
- Wordsmith and correct typos.

Recreation Department Updates:

Greenbelt Station

- Phase 1 (Central Park) has started and should be completed in early June. A concept plan for Phase 2, the lower level by the pergola, will add tables/chairs with shades structures and play equipment, is in development. Phase 3, Neighborhood Design Center will be engaged to assist in creating a concept plan to include a park along Indian Creek and Indian Creek Trail.

Springhill Lake Recreation Center Play Area

- Project will begin after Labor Day so not to disrupt summer camps.

Dance Studio Annex

- Seeking approval from City Council on Monday, June 3 at the City Council meeting.

Recreation Programs

- Staff is focused on Summer Camps. Registration looks strong with only a few slots available.

Facilities:

- Outdoor pool opened Memorial Day Weekend. 420 daily admissions were sold over the three day weekend.
- Di Quinn Reno, Community Center Supervisor retired after 30 of service to the City of Greenbelt.
- Cameras have been installed at all recreation facilities except for Buddy Attick Park.

FY25 Budget:

- Non-classified staff 2% COLA was approved.
- Expanding hours of operation at Springhill Lake Recreation Center to include opening at 10am on weekdays beginning in the Fall.
- The “Learn 2 Earn” financial literacy program, will continue after a successful pilot program. The program targets high school students.

The next meeting June 26, 2024 at 7pm via ZOOM

Adjourned at 9:18pm

Submitted by: Cathryn Pracht, Administrative Coordinator