



## MINUTES

### PARKS AND OPEN SPACE BOARD MEETING

July 23, 2024 | 6:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Hall | 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas

#### Call to Order

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was determined to be present.

**Parks Board Members Present:**

Chairman Bill Esposito  
Vice-Chairman John Elliott  
Member Joan Phillips  
Member Christel Parish  
Alternate Member Bryan Bellows

**Staff Present:**

Communications Specialist Joshua Menhennett  
City Manager John Whitsell  
CIP Manager Patrick Hubbard

**City Council Liaison Present:**

Councilmember Neil Peterson

**Parks Board Members Absent:**

Member Laura Giles  
Alternate Member Lynne Dodson

#### Regular Agenda

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**1. Discuss the creation of an action plan using the results of the City of Lucas Parks Survey.**

The Parks and Open Space Board focused on two key items from the recent Parks Survey. Item seven addressed the question, "What activities do you or your household participate in?" with 332 respondents indicating walking or running as a primary activity. Item ten asked, "Would you or your household use a trail system in Lucas?" to which 372 respondents answered yes, while 58 responded no. The Board also noted a strong community interest in Pickleball. In response, staff will present options to the Board for linear parks, connectivity improvements, and cost estimates for a Pickleball court in future discussions.

No vote required.

**2. Consider approval of the special events planning calendar for fiscal year 2024/25.**

Communications Specialist Joshua Menhennett requested feedback from the Board. The Board was in agreement with the planning calendar for fiscal year 2024/25.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Alternate Member Bellows, seconded by Vice-Chairman Elliott to approve the special events planning calendar for fiscal year 2024/25 as presented. The motion passed unanimously with a 5 to 0 vote.

**A. Consider approval of the minutes of the May 28, 2024, Parks and Open Space Board Meeting.**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Alternate Member Bellows, seconded by Vice-Chairman Elliott to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2024, Parks and Open Space Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a 5 to 0 vote.

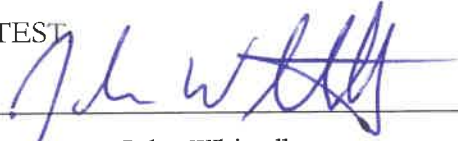
**Adjournment.**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Member Phillips, seconded by Alternate Member Bellows, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 5 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

  
Chairman Bill Esposito

ATTEST

  
City Manager John Whitsell

