



# City of Wimberley

221 Stillwater, Wimberley, Texas 78676

**REGULAR PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING**  
**WIMBERLEY CITY HALL – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**221 STILLWATER, WIMBERLEY, TEXAS 78676**  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025 - 4:30 PM**

## **AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**                      December 10, 2025, at 4:30 PM
  
2. **CALL OF ROLL**
  
3. **CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS**  
*This provides an opportunity for the citizens to comment on agenda and non-agenda items in advance of the regular business of the Parks and Recreation Board. Those wishing to speak must sign-in before the meeting begins and observe a three-minute time limit when addressing the Board. Speakers will have one opportunity to speak during the time period. Comments from speakers should not be directed towards any specific member of the Board or City staff. Comments should not be accusatory, derogatory or threatening in nature.*
  
4. **MINUTES**
  - 4.1. Consider approval of minutes from the November 12, 2025 Regular Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting.
  
5. **CITY STAFF REPORT**
  - 5.1. Interim Parks Director report
  
6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
  - 6.1. Receive an update and hold discussion related to the Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan.
  
  - 6.2. Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action regarding the leveled treatment area at Blue Hole.
  
  - 6.3. Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action to appoint a Parks & Recreation Board Member to serve on the scoring committee for the Martha Knies Playground Project and the Aquatic Feasibility Study Project.
  
7. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

7.1. Announcements.

7.2. Future agenda item.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Attendance by Other Elected or Appointed Officials: It is anticipated that members of other governmental bodies, and/or city boards, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the body, board, commission and/or committee. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may be permitted to participate in discussion on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that body, board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify the above Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board at Wimberley City Hall, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, [www.cityofwimberley.com](http://www.cityofwimberley.com), in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, on Tuesday, December 2, 2025 by 6:00 p.m., and remained posted for atleast 3 business days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.



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Tammy Heller, City Secretary

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**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2025 - 4:30 PM**

### **MINUTES**

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

The Parks Board meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. on November 12, 2025.

#### **2. CALL OF ROLL**

Present: Rachel Buchanan, Lee Ann Linam, Lin Weber, Amy Crowell, Anthony Deringer, and Lori Olson. Staff Present: Erica Flocke, Tammy Heller

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

There were no citizen communications.

#### **4. MINUTES**

##### **4.1 Consider approval of minutes from the October 8, 2025 Regular Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

The Board reviewed the minutes from the October 8, 2025 meeting.

*Motion to approve the minutes was made Lin Weber and seconded by Rachel Buchanan. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **5. CITY STAFF REPORT**

##### **5.1 Interim Parks Director report**

Erica Flocke, Interim Parks Director, reported several updates:

- Supplies for the Oak Park stage have been ordered, with work expected to begin soon and be completed quickly in time for holiday events.
- The FY 2025 annual report was presented to the Board. Highlights included:
  - The Bird City Texas certification badge was added to the city's accolades
  - Website analytics showed over 4.1 million views during the fiscal year
  - The city received \$3 million in funding from the Hays County Parks Bond
  - The 10-year Memorial Day flood concert sold over 300 tickets with 19 sponsors

- The city won 5 awards at the Central Region TRAPS event
- LCRA Steps Forward Day volunteers painted handrails at Old Baldy, with another application planned for painting parking stops at the community center
- Friends of Wimberley Parks completed phase 1 of the Marilee Wood Memorial Garden
- A map redesign was completed in collaboration with Texas State graphic design students

Erica Flocke presented detailed financial information for parks and the community center:

- Community center revenue was \$74,000 (close to the goal of \$75,000) with expenditures of \$254,273
- Parks revenue exceeded \$1 million, including a \$271,000 TPWD grant reimbursement
- Parks expenditures were \$954,000, which was over budget due to expenses like the Memorial Day concert and maintenance costs

The Board discussed ways to increase revenue for programs and events. Ideas included implementing suggested donations with QR codes for events like Boo! Hole, and expanding sponsorship opportunities. The Interim Director noted they received \$8,000 in sponsorships last year and are working on restructuring sponsorship tiers and benefits for 2026.

The Board also discussed the community center budget and concerns about its financial sustainability, especially considering potential revenue loss if swimming is closed, as Jacob's Well has been for many years.

## **6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

### **6.1 Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action related to the Blue Hole Nature Center.**

Erica Flocke, Interim Director, presented survey results about the Blue Hole Nature Center project. Key findings included:

- 22% of survey respondents primarily use the trails at Blue Hole, with only 15% using it for swimming
- Most popular programming requests included living native habitat exhibits, educational exhibits, and programs for younger children
- Watershed protection was the highest ranked priority

Based on the survey feedback, the project has been scaled back from the original design. The new plan includes:

- A 2,080 square foot classroom building with interpretive elements both inside and outside
- A separate restroom building
- Wetland/green storm water infrastructure
- An outdoor courtyard with interpretive signage
- The greenhouse was removed from the plans due to budget constraints

The total budget for the project is \$4 million for construction plus \$1 million for architectural design. The city has secured \$3 million from grants and is looking to raise an additional \$1 million. A Texas Parks and Wildlife grant application for \$750,000 was submitted with results expected in early 2026, and they hope to get \$250,000 from Friends of Wimberley Parks.

The Board discussed the LEED certification requirement included in the original RFP. Removing it would save \$87,600 in documentation costs, while still building to the same environmental standards.

*Motion to remove the LEED certification requirement from the nature center project was made by Rachel Buchanan and seconded by Lin Weber. The motion passed unanimously.*

## **6.2 Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action regarding the spray field at Blue Hole**

Erica Flocke, Interim Director, presented information about the 3-acre spray field at Blue Hole, which is fenced and has abandoned underground PVC pipes from 1987. Staff's recommendation was to remove the fence, mow it, till it, and seed it to create a wildflower meadow or native habitat area.

The Board discussed the opportunity to create a native prairie habitat that could be incorporated as an exhibit for the nature center. Members suggested connecting existing trails through the area and adding interpretive signage.

*Motion that the fence around the spray field be removed with the goal of restoring a native habitat such as prairie, with trail connectivity to existing trails in the area, and incorporation as one of the living habitat exhibits in conjunction with the nature center was made by Lee Ann Linam and seconded by Rachel Buchanan. The motion passed unanimously.*

## **6.3 Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action regarding the leveled treatment area at Blue Hole.**

Erica Flocke, Interim Director, presented information about a one-acre leveled treatment area at Blue Hole, which currently has erosion fencing. Staff sought input from the Board about restoration approaches due to concerns about soil compaction and erosion.

Board members discussed various options including:

- Applying native hay mulch over time to build up soil and introduce native seeds
- Addressing the steep edges with cedar logs and purposeful plantings for erosion control
- Using the area as a teaching opportunity about primary succession
- Monitoring natural vegetation that has started to establish

The Board decided to revisit this issue after gathering more information. Members agreed to visit the site individually and consult experts about soil conditions and restoration approaches.

## **6.4 Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action related to Blue Hole trail wayfinding signage**

Erica Flocke, Interim Director, presented an example of wayfinding signs for the Blue Hole trails. The signs would be routed and painted wooden posts with colors and shapes to indicate different trails. The shapes were added for accessibility for those with color blindness.

The design includes 44 signs with a trails map that shows both colors and shapes for each trail. The Board discussed naming the trails but decided to maintain the current approach that allows for fundraising opportunities where families can name trails for a donation through the Friends of Wimberley Parks.

The installation will be an in-house winter project using materials that were previously purchased. The Board supported the plan and recommended coordinating with maintenance staff to address installation challenges in rocky terrain.

**7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

**7.1 Announcements**

Erica Flocke mentioned that someone from the Parks Board would be asked to participate in the scoring process for the Martha Knies RFP at a future meeting, and that Keep Wimberley Beautiful had been invited to participate as well.

The 2026 program and event guide were distributed, noting they had moved from a magazine format to a tri-fold sized format to save money.

City Administrator Tim Patek commended the Interim Parks Director for doing a great job looking for ways to decrease expenses and increase revenue.

**7.2 Future agenda items**

The next Parks Board meeting was confirmed for December 10, 2025.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion to adjourn was made by Lin Weber, seconded by Lori Olson, and approved unanimously.  
The meeting adjourned at 5:51 PM.*

**RECORDED BY:**

**APPROVED BY:**

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**PARB Secretary**

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**PARB Chairperson**





<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	1. Interim Parks Director report
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Erica Flocke
<b>DATE SUBMITTED:</b>	11/04/2025
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	December 10, 2025

## AGENDA FORM

### ITEM DESCRIPTION/SUMMARY

- Oak Park stage construction complete
- MK Playground RFP closes 01/08
- Aquatic Feasibility RFP closes 01/08
- Blue Hole spray field fence being taken down, seed ordered
- No contacts for native hay for Blue Hole leveled treatment area
- Trail signage
- Polar Bear Plunge 01/03
- Open position Community Center Technician
- Park sponsorships open
- Nature center project moving into schematic design phase

### REQUESTED ACTION

### FINANCIAL

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

### ATTACHMENT/S

None



<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	1. Receive an update and hold discussion related to the Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan.
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Erica Flocke
<b>DATE SUBMITTED:</b>	10/14/2025
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	December 10, 2025

## AGENDA FORM

### ITEM DESCRIPTION/SUMMARY

This is a standing item and an opportunity to review the Master Plan that was adopted in 2024 and provide any feedback.

### REQUESTED ACTION

### FINANCIAL

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

### ATTACHMENT/S

1. Master Plan Quick Ref

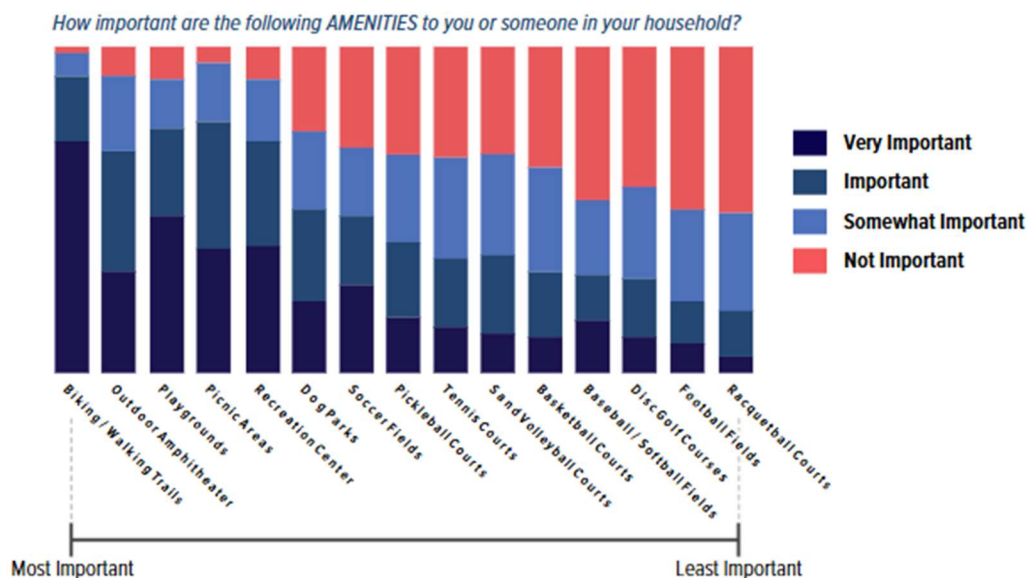
**Mission:** To enhance the quality of life of current and future citizens of Wimberley by protecting natural resources, providing safe recreation spaces, and encouraging environmental stewardship and education through parks, trails, and open spaces while fostering a creative community through programs and events. (p.16)

**Parks System Priorities (Ranked 1–10): (p.22)**

1. Trails & Trail Connectivity
2. Land Acquisition
3. Site Furniture: Shade, Benches, Picnic Tables
4. Preservation & Conservation of Natural Resources
5. Aquatic Recreation (Water Access)
6. Signage: Interpretive, Informational, Wayfinding
7. Play Equipment
8. Multi-Generational Center: Nature, Senior, Recreational, etc.
9. Multi-Purpose Fields
10. Public Art

**Key Recommendations (2024–2034): (p.22, 130–146)**

- Acquire land for recreation and conservation.
- Conduct Aquatics Feasibility Study.
- Upgrade and renovate aging facilities.
- Develop a neighborhood park.
- Construct new trails and expand connectivity.
- Preserve parklands and conduct species inventory.
- Develop cohesive signage and wayfinding standards.



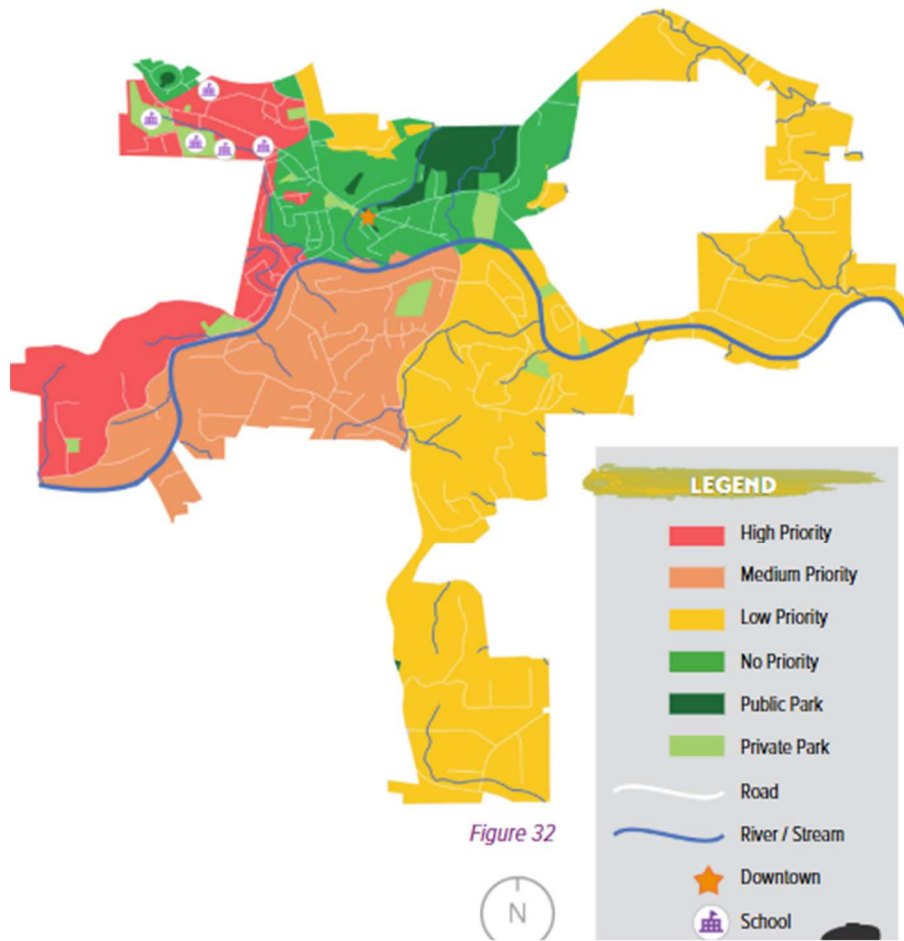


Figure 32

## New Parks

Objectives Achieved	Recommended Action	Term	Estimated Cost
1.2 & 1.5 2.1	Engage with Community Members to educate the importance of parkland acquisition	Short-Term	N/A
1.2 2.1	Acquire Property (west of Ranch Road 12)	Mid-Term	Market Value
1.2 2.1	Acquire Property (along the Blanco River)	Mid-Term	Market Value
1.1, 1.2, 1.4, & 1.6 2.1, 2.2, & 2.4 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, & 3.5 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, & 4.6	<b>Develop a Neighborhood Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install playground / climb equipment</li> <li>Construct trails</li> <li>Install signage (wayfinding and interpretive)</li> <li>Install shade structure</li> <li>Install supporting facilities (benches, drinking fountains, etc.)</li> </ul>	Long-Term	\$1,000,000 - \$1,500,000
1.1 & 1.4 2.3 & 2.5 4.6	Develop a New Park Along the Blanco River	Long-Term	TBD
1.4 3.1, 3.4, 3.7,	Develop new trails and pedestrian/bike bridges to improve connectivity	Long-Term	Market Value

Recommendations are flexible and each action item should be evaluated and modified if necessary, prior to implementation.  
Figure 43

## Park Redevelopments

Objectives Achieved	Recommended Action	Term	Estimated Cost
1.3, 1.5, & 1.8	Develop TPWD Grant for Martha Knies Community Park	Short-Term	\$10,000 - \$15,000
1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.6, & 1.7 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, & 4.6 5.1, 5.2, & 5.3	<b>Redevelop Martha Knies Community Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replace playgrounds</li> <li>• Update benches and picnic area</li> <li>• Expand restroom facility</li> <li>• Install water filling station</li> <li>• Install signage (wayfinding and interpretive)</li> <li>• Incorporate elements of music play</li> <li>• Install/update public art as appropriate</li> <li>• Install bike rack and repair station</li> </ul>	Short-Term	\$1,000,000 - \$1,500,000
1.3, 1.5, & 1.8	Develop TPWD Grant for Sunrise Park	Mid-Term	In house, % based fee, or \$10,000 - \$15,000
1.3 & 1.6 2.1 & 2.3 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, & 3.5 4.2, 4.5, & 4.6 5.1	<b>Redevelop Sunrise Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve walkways to be ADA accessible</li> <li>• Implement native landscaping</li> <li>• Install/update public art as appropriate</li> <li>• Install signage (interpretive)</li> <li>• Improve and enhance existing pavilions</li> <li>• Consider grilling stations</li> </ul>	Mid-Term	\$100,000 - \$200,000
1.3, 1.5, & 1.8	Redevelop Wimberley Community Center	Mid-Term	TBD

Recommendations are flexible and each action item should be evaluated and modified if necessary, prior to implementation.

Figure 41

## Policies, Plans, and Studies

Objectives Achieved	Recommended Action	Term	Estimated Cost
1.1 5.1	Conduct an Aquatics Feasibility Report	Short-Term	\$30,000 - \$50,000
4.1	Develop Sign Design Standards	Short-Term	\$15,000 - \$20,000
5.1 & 5.4	Develop an Equipment Maintenance Policy	Short-Term	\$15,000 - \$20,000
1.1, 1.5, & 1.6 5.1 & 5.3	Conduct a Promotional Campaign	Short-Term	In-House
4.6 5.1	Adopt an Arbor Day Proclamation	Short-Term	In-House
1.7	Develop a Trails Master Plan	Short-Term	
1.5 & 1.7	Develop a Natural Resource Plan (Wildlife, Riparian, Resource, Fire, etc.)	Mid-Term	In-House
1.7	Adopt a Parks and Recreation Inclusion Policy	Mid-Term	In-House
1.5 & 1.7	Develop a Programming Plan for the Wimberley Community Center	Mid-Term	TBD

Recommendations are flexible and each action item should be evaluated and modified if necessary, prior to implementation.

Figure 40

## Park Enhancements

Objectives Achieved	Recommended Action	Term	Estimated Cost
1.3 3.5 4.5	<b>Enhance Blue Hole Regional Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide AED in closer proximity to the soccer fields</li> <li>• Provide water filling station</li> <li>• Install benches and picnic tables</li> <li>• Install/update public art as appropriate</li> </ul>	Short-Term	\$20,000 - \$30,000
1.3, 1.5, & 1.8	<b>Develop TPWD Grant for Cypress Creek Nature Trail &amp; Preserve</b>	Short-Term	In house, % based fee, or \$10,000 - \$15,000
1.3, 1.6, & 1.7 2.2, 2.3, & 2.5 3.2, 3.3, & 3.5 4.2, 4.5, & 4.6 5.1	<b>Enhance Cypress Creek Nature Trail &amp; Preserve</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider boardwalks over lowlying areas</li> <li>• Install signage (entry, wayfinding, and interpretive)</li> <li>• Implement active wildlife management</li> <li>• Install/update public art as appropriate</li> </ul>	Short-Term	\$50,000 - \$100,000
1.1, 1.3, & 1.6 4.5 & 4.6	<b>Enhance Old Baldy Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install or update public art as appropriate</li> <li>• Install signage (interpretive)</li> <li>• Install benches and seating areas</li> <li>• Install viewing station (viewing scope)</li> </ul>	Short-Term	\$15,000 - \$25,000
1.1, 1.3, 1.5, & 1.6 2.2 & 2.3 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, & 3.5 4.2, 4.5, & 4.6 5.1	<b>Enhance Blue Hole Regional Park</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement active habitat management and rewilding</li> <li>• Install signage (wayfinding)</li> <li>• Consider mountain bike trails</li> <li>• Install bike rack and repair stations</li> <li>• Upgrade existing trails</li> <li>• Conduct a species inventory</li> </ul>	Mid-Term	\$75,000 - \$100,000

Objectives Achieved	Recommended Action	Term	Estimated Cost
1.3 & 1.6 4.2, 4.3, & 4.5	<b>Enhance Oak Park &amp; Welcome Center</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide shade canopy</li> <li>• Install signage (interpretive)</li> </ul>	Mid-Term	\$50,000 - \$75,000
1.3 & 1.6	<b>Enhance Oak Park &amp; Welcome Center</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install playground / climb equipment</li> <li>• Install signage (interpretive)</li> </ul>	Long-Term	\$100,000 - \$120,000
1.3, 1.5, & 1.8	<b>Develop TPWD Grant for Patsy Glenn Refuge</b>	Long-Term	In house, % based fee, or \$10,000 - \$15,000
1.3 2.1 & 2.3 2.3 4.3	<b>Enhance Patsy Glenn Refuge</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install/update public art as appropriate</li> <li>• Implement active wildlife management and rewilding</li> <li>• Explore alternative trail materials</li> <li>• Install signage (interpretive)</li> </ul>	Long-Term	\$250,000 - \$350,000

Recommendations are flexible and each action item should be evaluated and modified if necessary, prior to implementation.

Figure 42



<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	2. Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action regarding the leveled treatment area at Blue Hole.
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	
<b>DATE SUBMITTED:</b>	11/13/2025
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	December 10, 2025

## AGENDA FORM

**ITEM DESCRIPTION/SUMMARY**

**REQUESTED ACTION**

**FINANCIAL**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**ATTACHMENT/S**

None



<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	3.  Receive an update, discuss and consider possible action to appoint a Parks & Recreation Board Member to serve on the scoring committee for the Martha Knies Playground Project and the Aquatic Feasibility Study Project.
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	
<b>DATE SUBMITTED:</b>	12/02/2025
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	December 10, 2025

## AGENDA FORM

**ITEM DESCRIPTION/SUMMARY**

**REQUESTED ACTION**

**FINANCIAL**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**ATTACHMENT/S**

None