

**CITY OF GRAPEVINE
COUNTY OF TARRANT
STATE OF TEXAS**

The City of Grapevine Parks & Recreation Senior Citizens Advisory Board met April 1, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in The REC of Grapevine, 1175 Municipal Way, Grapevine, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

MEMBERS

LuAnn Gatts
Carey Miller
Pam Price
Vicki Dale
Lynda Adams

LIAISONS

Gena Bohl
Duff O'Dell
Isabelle Boyd

ABSENT

Ric Clark
Jan Ramsey
Teri Rhodes- Cantu

Constituting a quorum with the following members of City staff:

Chris Smith, Director
Trent Kelley, Deputy Director
Jennifer Kashner, Recreation Manager
Megan Varner, Active Adults Supervisor
Natasha Gale, Administrative Manager
Megan Holladay, Administrative Coordinator

Pam Price called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Trent Kelley provided the invocation.

Citizen Comments:

Mary Jane Hammonds shared that while she was walking on Wall/Main adjacent from the Cigar Shop, there was a grate on the sidewalk that was raised. She called 911 who redirected her to someone with the city and within 20-30 minutes someone with the city was there to repair the grate. She was sharing the positive feedback of the quick response from the city.

Maureen Dougherty asked why there are no sidewalks or ADA improvements along Wall Street from Dooley Street and Main Street. Trent Kelley responded that it will be looked at and evaluated and the concern would be passed on to the city's Public Works and Engineering Department.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the January 7, 2025 minutes.

Motion: Carey Miller
Second: Vicki Dale

Ayes: Gates, Price, Adams, Boyd, Miller, Bohl, Dale
Nays: None
Approved: 7-0
Absent: Clark, Ramsey

Presentations and Updates:

Chris Smith introduced Natasha Gale as the new Administrative Manager and Megan Holladay as the Administrative Coordinator on the Parks and Recreation team.

Megan Varner gave the updates on the Active Adults. Last month they had numerous activities such as Tax Aide, Lunch Bunch, and there will be a Casino Day on Saturday April 4. There are field trips scheduled for the traveling Titanic exhibit, the Fort Worth Zoo, and on Friday, June 5 there will be a Senior Carnival.

Jennifer Kashner gave the update on The REC. Spring Break camp was a success and REC Staff is gearing up for Summer Camps.

Chris Smith introduced our Marketing Manager, Claire Gilbert.

Chris Smith provided an update on The REC Phase II Performance Utilization Analysis. During the presentation, Pam Price made the suggestion for an automatic door going into the family changing area. Following Chris' presentation, a citizen commented and agreed that based on everything said, and how busy The REC is, that the need for an expansion is necessary.

Pam Price suggested additional signs as to when the pool is available. Jennifer Kashner said she would follow up to see if additional signage is needed.

Lynda Adams said that she has heard nothing but good things about all that The REC offers to its members.

Pam Price asked about how many residents versus non-residents are members at The REC and Trent Kelley shared that 93% of members are Grapevine residents.

Miscellaneous:

GRACE Liaison – Gena Bohl provided an update on the Friends and Family program. She is currently at two different non-profits therefore her hours can be a challenge however she feels that setting more regular hours has seemed to help. During the month of March – 63 commodities provided, 11 rides, 5 home visits. She got a new volunteer and a new client this month. The program is currently serving 74 houses and 86 individuals. One client is partnering with Six Stones to have some backyard and outdoor improvements.

Council Member – Duff O'Dell provided an update and invited everyone to attend the City Council meeting tonight at 7:30PM. Election Day is on May 2nd for both City Council and GCISD School Board. Darlene Freed will not be running again. Duff shared about a

new partnership with Sister City, Barossa Valley Australia and there will be an event this month to celebrate. Duff will be traveling there soon to visit. The Sister Cities program is a way for cities throughout the world to be connected. Barosa Valley has a wine culture, with a focus on agriculture and farming. A few weeks ago, council approved the new hotel behind Hotel Vin – Hotel Vin Reserve where Sunbelt Rental is currently located. Sunbelt is moving to Texan Trail. Houses on Jean Rd approved to be built. There has been an increased development of Dallas Rd to encourage people to walk to work and to all the things offered in downtown Grapevine. Saturday – GBS was kicked off at Oak Grove Baseball and Softball Complex. Reminders of how great Grapevine is.

A few citizens asked questions about the new hotel – Hotel Vin Reserve.

Isabelle Boyd - Senior Chorus is practicing and going to two nursing homes each month. They will do their Memorial Day program and then they will resume in September.

Carey Miller – Provided update on Empowering Seniors. He met the new commissioner and received information regarding Senior Empowerment.

The next Senior Advisory Board Meeting will be scheduled for July 1st.

Chris Smith gave a brief update on the Master Plan, and that the vote will be on the agenda tonight for City Council to vote on and he emphasized the importance of the Senior Advisory Board in the next steps of this process.

Trent Kelley gave a few city updates which included beautification on the Hall Johnson planters on the South Side. There have been updates to Texan Trail, Baylor Parkway by Best West, and the large beds on Highway 26 beautification. BRS will be hosting a Lunch and Learn next week to showcase The REC regarding facility design.

Adjourn:

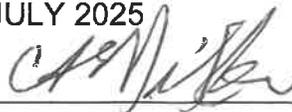
A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Recording Secretary – Natasha Gale, Administrative Manager

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD OF THE CITY OF GRAPEVINE, TEXAS ON THIS 1st DAY OF JULY 2025



Chris Smith
Director of Parks & Recreation



Carey Miller
Board Member