

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

LINEAR CREEKWAY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD (LCPAB)

Minutes
October 25, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Sue Calberg, District Two

Ms. Leslie Provence, District Three

Mr. Randy Preissig, District Four

Mr. Chris Yanez, District Five

Mr. Myrl Britten, District Six

Mr. Don Rios, District Seven

Mr. John Kent, District Nine

Ms. Sherri Dugas, District Ten

Ms. Elaine Kearney, Mayoral

STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Bill Pennell Parks and Recreation

Ms. Cynthia Uribe, Parks and Recreation

Laura Parker, Parks and Recreation

Chris Arrigo, Parks and Recreation

GUESTS PRESENT

Bert Pickell

Joey Pawlik

Agdel Rivera

Oscar Cervantes

Paul Skowronek

Michelle Skowronek

Rick Shaw

Sunnie Diaz

Jeff Jordan

REGULAR BUSINESS

- Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM.
- Motion and approval of the minutes from the September 27, 2022 meeting.

M: Sherri Dugas, District Ten

S: Randy Preissig, District Four

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Kent asked Board Members to introduce themselves and tell a little bit of themselves since there are new board members, to everyone will become familiar with their names and the district they represent.

- Sue Calberg, District Two
 - Ms. Calberg stated that she has been to the trail on S.E. Military Dr. that is under construction numerous times and has seen users with their bikes and dogs out in this area. Ms. Calberg stated that that she sent Brandon a picture of a potential drainage issue west of the trail where it appears that water is flowing toward the trail, but there is no engineered drainage feature to accommodate the flow. Ms. Calberg also sent Brandon a picture of cosmetics cracks in the cement where somebody identified them and spray painted them (Mr. Brandon Ross subsequently communicated these items to the engineer and contractor to investigate and address).

- Ms. Calberg stated that the new connector trail being developed between Salado and the Childsafe Campus will provide children access to the trail system. Because the trail connects to Martin Luther King Park, the park features will be available to children and can be used as part of their therapy.
 - Ms. Calberg also suggested that as standard operating procedure, we should honor people who have given their lives for others, such as Officer's Patricia Calderon who died near Salado Creek and Doug Rivers who died in Jack White Park.
- Leslie Provence, District Three
 - Ms. Provence stated that she is appreciative of Ms. Calberg including District Three trails in her interests and reporting and would like for Ms. Calberg to give her a tour of the trails in her district.
- Randy Preissig, District Four
 - Dr. Preissig stated that exciting things are now happening in District Four, such the recent easement donation from New Life Christian Church to the City for the new segment of Leon Creek Greenway from Levi Strauss Park to the Lackland Corridor Monument. He mentioned that the 911 Monument which has plenty of parking. Dr. Preissig stated that The New Life Christian Church donated land a long time ago in the easement for the trail.
 - Dr. Preissig also briefly discussed the Great Springs Project, which is planning a trail from Austin to San Antonio. He stated that there is growing support from both citizens and politicians.
- Chris Yanez, District Five
 - Mr. Yanez also congratulated the Parks and Recreation Department for getting the accreditation he knows it's difficult and certainly a milestone.
 - Mr. Yanez stated that there are two concrete panels south of the Klein Street trailhead where there is a 2-to-3-inch separation this is a potential trip hazard. *(Brandon Ross subsequently reported this issue to Parks Operations to address).*
 - **Mr. Yanez also asked from SARA for some updates.** Mr. Yanez stated that he noticed on the Mission Reach staff from SARA cleaning, power washing, putting mulch and wanted to express his appreciation and thinks that this is a good partnership that SARA has with the City of San Antonio.
- Myrl Britten, District Six
 - Mr. Britten reported that there is some graffiti under the bridge on Tezel; pictures were sent to Mr. Ross and the next day graffiti was gone.
 - Mr. Britten stated he had a concern that he had already told Mr. Ross about a development that is occurring on Babcock outside of 1604 where there is a plan to put 2,999 homes. Mr. Britten stated that there was a recommendation to use septic tanks as opposed to drainage pillars asking for approval to put in a 3-acre plan to dump a million gallons of treated sewage water into the Helotes Creek per day and feels that it will affect the trails Mr. Britten stated that he feels that this something we need to keep an eye on. Dr. Preissig suggested that we should confirm that SARA and SAWS are aware of this. Mr. Britten also stated that he would like to make a correction to the September meetings by replacing adult tricycle to recumbent tricycle *(subsequently corrected in the minutes on file).*
- Don Rios, District Seven
 - Mr. Rios stated that he was proud and humbled that Councilwoman Sandoval chose him to represent district seven.
 - Mr. Rios stated that he lives by Ingram and Culebra area and that he has been very a vocal advocate to have Garza Park connected to the Howard Peak Greenway Trail System. He was exciting that the City and the County last year applied for a RAISE Grant and then was disappointed that The Department of Transportation didn't grant this. But from his understanding he heard that there are plans to connect it and is also looking forward to advocating for creek restoration.
- Sherri Dugas, District Ten

- Ms. Dugas said she recently rode the trails. There was a tree on the trail that Parks and Recreation Staff cleared within forty- five minutes to an hour. Ms. Dugas stated that the employee also called for black paint to treat where the tree bark was missing.
- Ms. Dugas also congratulated the Parks Department for National Accreditation and knows that it took a lot of work for this.

STAFF REPORT

Chris Arrigo, M.E.S., PMP, who is a Project Manager for Parks and Recreation gave a presentation on Howard W. Peak Greenway Trails – Culebra Creek Tributary. Below are some of the highlights that Mr. Arrigo presented:

- Culebra Creek Tributary – Located within District 6. 1.8 mile, 10-foot-wide trail connects to Culebra Creek Greenway also connects to Cathedral Rock Park, Grissom Road, Oscar Perez Park, The Great Northwest HOA and ends at the Tezel Rd.
- Trail connection to Cathedral Rock Park has trail signage and boulder seating, stone boulder retaining wall, ADA Accessible Connection, and crossing under Grissom Rd. (box culvert).
- Connects from Grissom Rd. to Tezel Rd. Ultimately also connects to Leon Creek Greenway Trail, east of Cathedral Rock park.
- Trailhead at Oscar Perez has full-sized kiosk, wayfinding Signage and entry monument.
- Trailhead parking at Tezel has the following amenities – full kiosk, entry monument, shade structures, bike racks, bike repair station, trash-recycle cans, permeable parking, and minor landscaping.
- In the future, PASA Bloom Art and in the fall of 2023 a Community Center should be completed.

Bill Pennell – Mr. Pennell reported on what has been accomplished as of today and what is currently in construction:

- Approximately 94 miles of trail completed, including the recent completion of:
 - Huebner Creek Trailhead Connection – DONE and open to public
 - Leon Creek (Levi Strauss Park to Lackland Monument) – 2.0 miles – DONE and open to public
- Approximately 7.2 miles of trail under construction (6.1 OF WHICH TO BE DONE BY DECEMBER)
 - Salado (Southside Lions to SE Military Dr.) – 3.1 miles – Est. completion October 31, 2022
 - Culebra Tributary (Cathedral Rock Park to Tezel Road) – 1.8 miles – Est. completion November 30, 2022
 - Culebra Creek (Cathedral Rock Park to Grissom Rd) – 1.2 miles – Estimated completion Dec. 2022
 - Salado (Child safe Connection) - .5 miles – Estimated completion Dec 2022
 - Salado (S.E. Military to Monte Viejo) - .6 mile – Estimated completion Feb 2023
- Approximately 11 miles of trail under design:
 - Leon (Rim to Raymond Russell County Park) - 1.6 miles – Estimated completion late 2023
 - Leon (Quintana to I-35) 1.6 miles – Estimated completion 2024
 - Salado (Ft. Sam connection) - 3.7 miles – Estimated completion 2024
 - Martinez (Cincinnati to Alazan Confluence) – 1.4 miles – Estimated completion 2024
 - Beitel (Salado Creek Greenway to Briarglen) - .5 miles – Estimated completion 2024
 - Mud Creek (McAllister Park Trailhead to Thousand Oaks) – *1.8 miles (Design only – construction to be funded by Bexar County & SARA's River's and Creeks program).*
- Other Information announced:
 - Next LCPAB meeting
 - Early December (combine November & December meetings)
 - Brandon will reach out to coordinate date that works best for majority of LCPAB members.
 - Appointment of LCPAB Vice Chair

- Discuss options tonight and Brandon will put on next agenda (early December, date TBD)
- 100-mile celebration
 - Targeting January
 - Will be combined with Ribbon Cutting at Leon (Levi Strauss to Lackland Corridor) and held at the new Camargo Park Trailhead.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:53 p.m.
Motion: Randy Preissig, District Four
Second: Myrl Britten, District Six
Motion Carried.