

**Bastrop Parks and  
Public Tree Advisory Board Meeting**  
Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers  
1311 Chestnut Street  
Bastrop, TX 78602  
(512) 332-8800



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## **AGENDA – January 6, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **STAFF AND BOARD BRIEFINGS**
  - 2A. Parks and Recreation Report
  - 2B. Bastrop State Park Report
  - 2C. Bastrop YMCA Report
  - 2D. Bird City Coalition Report
  - 2E. Council Liaison Report
3. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

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**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- 4A. Consider action to approve Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board minutes from the December 2, 2021, regular meeting.

**5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

- 5A. Update and discuss Parks Master Plan  
5B. Update and discuss Pickle Ball  
5C. Update and discuss Graffiti Wall

**6. WORKSHOP SESSION**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting is posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of Bastrop City Hall, a place of convenience that is readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City's website, [www.cityofbastrop.org](http://www.cityofbastrop.org). Said Notice was posted on the following date and time: Wednesday, December 29, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. and will remain posted for at least two hours after said meeting is convened.



Victoria Psencik, Deputy City Secretary



# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 2A

**TITLE:**

Parks and Recreation Report

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

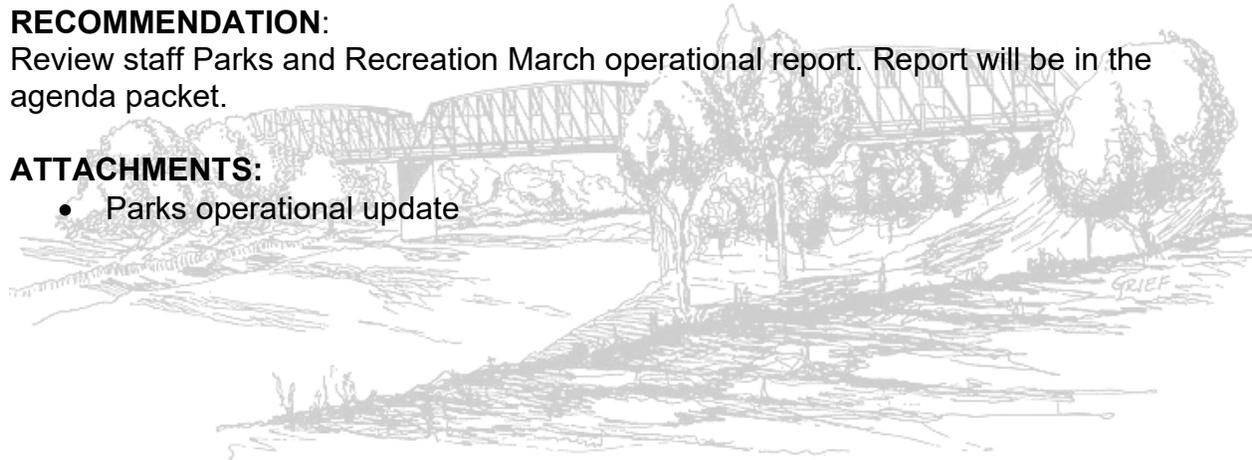
Thomas Martinez, Crew Leader Parks & Recreation  
Curtis Hancock, Director of Public Works

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review staff Parks and Recreation March operational report. Report will be in the agenda packet.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Parks operational update



## Parks

- Regular mowing with all the unseasonably warm weather.
- Staff assisted with traffic control for the “Run This Town 5k”.
- Parks along with Streets & Drainage staff provided traffic control, drivers, and floats for the Lighted Christmas Parade.
- Parks finished working on our mulch trails at Fishermans park into the Riverwalk.
- Parks also removed a tree in the ROW near Kerr park for public safety.
- Staff removed graffiti at Ferry and Hunters Crossing parks.
- Parks also assisted with the installation of the Purple Martin Houses and continued work for the Disc Golf Course at Bob Bryant park.







# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 2B

**TITLE:**

Bastrop State Park Report

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Jamie Creacy, Park Superintendent, Lost Pines State Park Complex  
Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review Bastrop State Park monthly operational report.

**ATTACHMENTS:**





# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 2C

**TITLE:**

Bastrop Recreation Report

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Terry Moore, Bastrop Recreation  
Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDATION:**

NA

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Recreation Report





December 28, 2021

Parks Board Report

Membership is currently at 249. Class participation is doing really well. Some classes are having 15 to 18 in attendance on a regular basis.

January Promotion: Buy three, get one free! New members can purchase 3 months of membership before 1/31/22 and get the 4<sup>th</sup> month free.



New schedule is out and posted on the website. [www.CityofBastrop.org/Recreation](http://www.CityofBastrop.org/Recreation)

The Outdoor Fitness Unit is closed for the winter season in January and February. In March classes will move back outdoors.

Adding a FREE Family FUN Night event every month. It will be hosted on the last Friday of the month with a different theme. January will be cornhole! Membership is not required.



Women's Self Defense is January 21<sup>st</sup>. This was a hit when we did it in early November. We will be hosting some sort of self defense program once a quarter free to the public.

January is National Blood Donor Month. So we are hosting a Blood Drive Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>. (still time to get registered – if you read this when you get the report 😊) Each month we will highlight a health education cause. Feb is American Heart Month. Our goal is to give the community information that will help them have a better quality of life.

As always your feedback is important. Please let us know if you see an opportunity or need in the community that we can fill.

Respectfully submitted by: Terry Moore



# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 2D

**TITLE:**

Bird City Coalition Report

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Kerry Fossler, Board Member  
Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Bird City Coalition Report





## BASTROP BIRD CITY BASTROP REPORT FOR CITY OF BASTROP PARKS BOARD MEETING January 6, 2022

### RECENT SUCCESSES

- **On existing protected properties, modify and improve existing habitat for birds, wildlife, and native plant communities representative of the local ecosystem (Criterion 2c)**
  - The first Purple Martin House was installed at Bob Bryant Park on December 21, 2021 by Purple Martin Propagators
  - Thanks to Bastrop County Audubon Society for the donation
  - Thanks to City of Bastrop for Resolution No R-2021-60 to install up to 3 Purple Martin Houses in Bob Bryant Park
  - Thanks to Public Works Director Curtis Hancock, Parks Superintendent Jeff White and City Arborist Thomas Martinez for assisting in this project

*Pic from Installation Day ⇒*



### SAD NEWS

- **Our new friend Debbie Marshall suddenly passed away in November. She was a warm-spirited lady who participated in many of our BIG SITS this past year with her brother Donnie Marshall and sister-in-law Catherine Pressler. Our hearts go out to her family and we will miss her tremendously, especially her smile and her laugh!**

*Some great pics of Debbie Marshall ⇒*



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **BIG SITS every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 8:30a-10:00am**
  - Will resume in February 2022
- **LITTLE HIKES every 2nd Friday 8:30a-10:00am**
  - Will resume in February 2022
- **FUTURE MEETINGS IN PERSON at CITY HALL**  
(every 6 weeks – Wednesdays 1:30pm)
  - Mar 1, Apr 13, May 25





# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 2E

**TITLE:**

Council Liaison Report

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Dock Jackson, Council Liaison

Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review Council Liaison March report and/or comments.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- NA





# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 4A

**TITLE:**

Consider action to approve Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board minutes from the December 2, 2021 regular meeting.

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Sandy Holder, Public Works Technician  
Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**POLICY EXPLANATION:**

Section 551.021 of the Government Code provides as follows:

(a) A governmental body shall prepare and keep minutes or make a tape recording of each open meeting of the body.

(b) The minutes must:

1. State the subject of each deliberation; and
2. Indicate the vote, order, decision, or other action taken.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve, amend, or correct the minutes of the December 2, 2021 Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- December 2nd DRAFT Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board meeting minutes

## MINUTES OF CITY OF BASTROP PARKS AND PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY BOARD

December 2, 2021

The Bastrop Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 2nd, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Members present were Barbara Wolanski, Jamie Creacy, Kerry Fossler and Steven Fobert. Board member Sarah Rooney called in for the meeting. Absent were Board Members Margaret Robinson, Betty Rucker and Liaison Councilman Dock Jackson. Staff present were Public Works Director Curtis Hancock, City Arborist Thomas Martinez, Bastrop Recreation Terry Moore, Parks Superintendent Jeff White and City Manager Paul Hofmann.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

At 6:00 p.m. Chair Barbara Wolanski called the meeting to order.

**2. STAFF, BOARD, AND COMMITTEE MONTHLY OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

**2A. Parks and Recreation Report**

Report was given by staff Thomas Martinez.

**2B. Bastrop State Park Report**

Report was given by Board Member Jamie Creacy.

**2C. Recreation Report**

Report was given by staff Terry Moore.

**2D. Bird City Coalition Report**

Report was given by Board Member Kerry Fossler.

**2E. Council Liaison Report**

No report was given.

**3. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**4A. Consider action to approve Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board minutes from the November 4, 2021 regular meeting.**

Motion was made by Board Member Jamie Creacy and seconded by Board Member Steven Fobert. Vote was unanimous.

**5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

**5A. Update and discuss Julius Thomas Memorial**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock gave an update.

**5B. Update and discuss Pickle Ball**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock gave an update.

**5C. Update and discuss Graffiti Wall**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock gave an update.

**5D. Update and discuss Parks Master Plan.**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock and City Manager Paul Hofmann gave an update.

**5E. Update and discuss Mobile Vendors in Fisherman's Park**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock and City Manager Paul Hofmann gave an update.

**5F. Update and discuss TPWD Grants**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock and City Manager Paul Hofmann gave an update.

**6. UPDATES**

**6A. Invitation for input from Board Members related to issues for possible inclusion on the next meeting agenda.**

Public Works Director Curtis Hancock gathered the topics – everything from above.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Kerry Fossler made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm. Board Member Jamie Creacy seconded. The vote was unanimous.



# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 5A

**TITLE:**

Update and discuss on Parks Master Plan

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

The City of Bastrop will be updating its Parks Master Plan. We have completed a grant application from St. Davids. We are also exploring other funding opportunities.

**POLICY EXPLANATION:**

The Parks and Public Tree Advisory Board serves in an advisory role to the City Council and may make recommendations for actions to be considered as related to the parks.

**FUNDING SOURCE:**

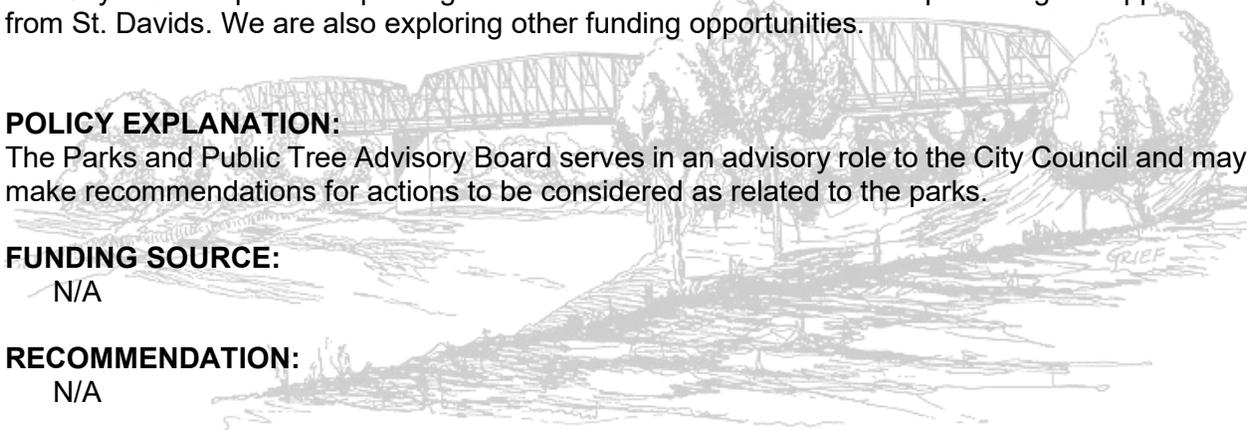
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**RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

N/A





# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 5B

**TITLE:**

Update and discuss on Pickleball.

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

The City has converted the tennis court at Fisherman's Park into four (4) pickleball courts. Pickleball is on the rise in Bastrop, it common to have 18 or 19 players show up to play.

During the October 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, Dani and Gary Moss requested the city to consider providing pickleball courts. The Mayor suggested the request be taken to the Parks Board.

**POLICY EXPLANATION:**

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**FUNDING SOURCE:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

N/A



# STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 5C

**TITLE:**

Update and discuss Graffiti Wall in Fisherman's Park

**STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:**

Curtis Hancock, Public Works Director

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

During the October 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, Rhian Nicholson requested the city to consider providing a Graffiti Wall in Fisherman's Park.

Graffiti was started in the late 1960's in Philadelphia by two artist named Cornbread and Cool Earl.

Graffiti has a lot of cons but it also has its pros. Graffiti is seen as a type of art to some people and as vandalism to others.

**Cons:**

- Can be viewed as vandalism
- It is illegal unless they receive permission
- Vapors from the spray paint are released into the atmosphere
- The cost to remove
- Graffiti can be used by gangs to mark their territory
- Curse words & inappropriate images
- It is technically destroying someone property

**Pros:**

- It's a type of art
- It's a way for artists to express themselves
- It gives life to a blank wall

**POLICY EXPLANATION:**

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**FUNDING SOURCE:**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**