

# City of Parker Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Date	August 13, 2025
Place	Parker City Hall, 5700 E. Parker Road, Parker, Texas 75002
Called to Order	5:07pm
Adjourned	5:41pm

Attendees			
Present	Role	Name	Position
✓	Commissioner	Frank DaCosta	Chairperson
✓	Commissioner	Cherie Ware	Vice Chairperson
✓	Commissioner	Sarah Sharpe	Secretary
✓	Commissioner	Donna DaCosta	Treasurer
	Commissioner	Cyndy Lane	
✓	Public	Lee Pettle	Mayor
✓	Public	Billy Barron	City Councilperson
✓	Public	Marcos Arias	Citizen

- Frank DaCosta confirmed the quorum with four voting members present.
- Motion to approve previous meeting minutes was made and seconded, approved unanimously.
- Commissioner Sharpe agreed to assume the role of Secretary going forward.
- Commissioner Ware motioned that we preserve the commissioners in their current roles, with the addition of Commissioner Sharpe as Secretary. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
- With regard to the budget, Mayor Pettle clarified that City Council will formally vote on the proposed budget on September 9<sup>th</sup>, which would include the requests we have made from our own Commission. The results of that vote will determine the direction of some of our proposed projects, such as purchasing holiday lighting.
- Regarding Parkerfest, the notion of renting or even purchasing a handwashing station as an adjunct to the pumpkin decoration activity was discussed. Storage for such an item was considered, with the decision to investigate the cost of purchasing one.

- The first Team Parkerfest meeting at Niki's Italian Bistro had occurred prior to this meeting, and the low turnout was noted. The next such meeting is planned for the following Wednesday, this time at Cristina's.
- Other milestones for Parkerfest planning were reported, such as the signing of three of the four desired food trucks, the gradual return of sponsors, and Cindy Meyer's agreement to direct the promotional postcard effort. The need for someone to head up pumpkin decoration and tee shirt procurement was also noted.
- On holiday lighting, Ken Browne, the citizen who offered to give the City good pricing on a custom lighting package, contacted us to see whether we want to move ahead. We must wait until City Council approves the budget before we can green-light this effort.
- Councilperson Barron mentioned that the proposed Parker Pavilion project faces an obstacle in that the intended location is in the flood plain, and the costs to rectify that are hard to quantify. The issue affects the planned restroom facility most.
- Mayor Pettle mentioned that she had been contacted by Jim Reed, whose band had played at last year's Parkerfest, who was disappointed that the band decision was not handled with some sort of bid process. We agreed that the Commission prefers to retain more control over who we book.

Minutes Approved on 14<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY, 2025



Chairperson Frank DaCosta




Secretary Sarah Sharpe

Attest:



City Secretary Patti Scott Grey Hull