PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING  
Tuesday, August 20, 2019  
4:30 p.m., Flora Park, Blue Steel Roof Pavilion

PRESENT:  Matt Garrett, Robin Kennicker, Ray Werner, Rebecca Kuhle,  
Hobie Wood, Jennifer Tigges

ABSENT:  Robert McCoy

STAFF PRESENT:  Marie Ware and Kristen Dietz

MINUTES APPROVED; VOTE:

It was moved by Kennicker, seconded by Tigges, to approve the minutes of the  
July 9, 2019 meeting and July 16, 2019 special meeting. Unanimous.

PARK DISCUSSION:

Commissioners asked about FDR Park after two members had taken a tour.  
Manager Ware gave a brief history and current use of FDR (Roosevelt) Park. In  
2009 prior to Manager Spence retirement the City completed the FDR Master  
Park Plan. Currently three portions of FDR Park are leased to the Children’s  
Zoo Boosters, Tri-State Modelers Club, and to Robert Bradley as a farm lease. 
Approximate income from leased areas is $10,500.

Chairperson Kuhle asked about the letter that was presented at the July 9, 2019  
meeting regarding the future of FDR Park. Manager Ware noted that the letter  
was presented to both the Commission and the City Council. The City Council  
referred it to their goal setting thus there is no action currently for the  
Commission.

PET-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY RECOMMENDATION AND DISCUSSION OF  
NEXT STEPS:

Manager Ware informed Commission of the procedures to follow with ordinance  
changes and to receive full public input and engagement. Commissioner  
Werner presented information he had complied and a proposed  
recommendation with moving forward with pets in parks with an ordinance  
change. Commissioner Tigges made note the importance of proper education  
on responsible pet ownership amongst the City as well as public. The  
Commission discussed a second off leash pet park and felt that was a  
discussion for later after discussion of the ordinance change. Commissioners  
Werner and Kuhle agreed to share this information with the Pet-Friendly  
Community Work Group. Commissioner Tigges made a motion to add pets in  
parks ordinance discussion to the September meeting. Commissioner Wood  
seconded. Unanimous.
Manager Ware asked Commissioners for potential locations for the September. She also reminded members of the upcoming City budget season.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved by Kennicker, seconded by Werner, to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Unanimous.