



City of Seguin

210 E. Gonzales Street
Seguin TX, 78155

Meeting Minutes

City Council

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

5:30 PM

Utility Operation Center, 3027 N. Austin

Joint Workshop with the Parks and Recreation Commission

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Dodgen called the meeting to order at 5:55 P.M.

2. **Roll Call**

City Council:

Presiding - Mayor Donna Dodgen

Present - Councilmember Joe Rea, Councilmember David Eveld, Councilmember Jim Lievens, Councilmember John Carlsson, Mayor Pro Tem Monica Carter, Councilmember Jason Biesenbach, Councilmember Bill Keller

Absent - Councilmember Paul Gaytan

Parks and Recreation Commission:

Present - Jet Crabb, Andrea Hoffman, Elizabeth Lowery, Jeff McKee, Anna Moreno, Chris Rangel, Josh Wilson

3. **Hearing of Residents:**

There were no public comments.

4. **Review findings of the Feasibility Study and Visioning for a possible Recreation and Aquatics Center. - Jack Jones, Parks and Recreation Director**

Parks and Recreation Director Jack Jones thanked the City Council and Parks and Recreation Commission for attending the meeting to review the results of the feasibility study. According to his memory, the City Council and Parks and Recreation Commission has not held a joint meeting before this one.

Mr. Jones informed that in 2020 the City completed its Parks Master Plan which identified that residents wanted indoor recreation opportunities. Last year, Brinkley Sergeant and Pros Consulting were hired to complete a feasibility study. In October 2024, staff was asked to give their input. Additionally, a statistically valid survey was given to over 500 residents in Seguin. Mr. Jones introduced Mike Svetz, with Pro Consulting, to present the results.

Mr. Svetz gave an overview of the City's demographics, the results of a market

assessment, and an analysis of the survey responses, and answered questions accordingly. Based on the results, it was apparent that residents in Seguin value the concept of a recreation center and that when considering a thirty minute drive time their recreation needs were unmet.

Discussion was had regarding the size of a potential recreation center, the pros and cons of phasing a facility, the cost of membership, an outdoor pool versus an indoor pool, and the potential for renovating the old Boys and Girls Club building and how that renovation might not meet the need.

Mr. Parker suggested that the City Council and Parks and Recreation Commission tour the San Marcos activity center as he believes it is comparable in size and cost to something that Seguin would be able to achieve.

Mayor Dodgen said that the next steps would be to have Brinkley Sergeant present three different concepts - a good, better, and best. Then, City Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission can request a performance on the concept that is most agreed upon.

5. Adjournment

Mayor Dodgen adjourned the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Donna Dodgen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristin Mueller, City Secretary