

Regular Meeting Minutes
Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
118. E. Richmond St.
Giddings, Texas

1. **Open Meeting and Invocation** - Chair Tiffany Albrecht opened the meeting at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2026. Parks Member Tony Francis gave the invocation. City Secretary Andrea Ray introduced the new Parks Board Member Tomeka Kelly and welcomed her to the Parks Board.

Board Members Present: Vice Chair Janie Wooldridge, Tony Francis, Crystal Luna, Joe Rangel Darrel Sanders, Tomeka Kelly.

Staff present- Interim City Manager Heather Garner, Secretary Andrea Ray, Supervisor Parks & Cemetery Justin Kessler, Director of Public Services Kenny Ray.

2. **Pledges to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag:** Pledges were said.
3. **Discuss and take possible action to appoint or reappoint Chair for the 2026 term.**

Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders nominated Tiffany Albrecht to be reappointed as Chair. A motion was made Parks Board Member Tony Francis and seconded by Parks Board Member Joe Rangel to reappoint Tiffany Albrecht to serve as Chair for 2026 term.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Wooldridge, Francis, Luna, Sanders, Rangel, Kelly

Nays: None

4. **Discuss and take possible action to appoint or reappoint Vice Chair for the 2026 term.**

Parks Board Member Darrell Sanders nominated Janie Wooldridge to be reappointed as Vice Chair. A motion was made by Parks Board Member Tony Francis and seconded by Joe Rangel to reappoint Janie Wooldridge to serve as Vice Chair for 2026 Term.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Wooldridge, Francis, Luna, Sanders, Rangel, Kelly

Nays: None

5. **Discuss and take Action on Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting Minutes held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025.**

A motion was made by Tony Francis and seconded by Parks Board Member Darrel Sanders to approve the Public Parks and Playgrounds Board Meeting Minutes held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Wooldridge, Francis, Luna, Sanders, Rangel, Kelly

Nays: None

6. Discuss only on the new by-laws for the Public Parks and Playgrounds Board.

City Secretary Andrea Ray presented this agenda to the Parks Board. Chair Tiffany Albrecht read aloud to all Parks Members and Staff present. The Board Members discussed the changes for the by-laws.

The changes to the by-laws as follow: 1. Park Board Members contact the City Secretary if cannot make a meeting.
2. Failure to attend three (3) consecutive regular meetings or a pattern of absences may be grounds for removal by the City Council.

City Secretary Andrea Ray stated these will go to the City Attorney for review and to rewrite. Andrea stated the by-laws will be ready before next meeting to approve and then send on to City Council for approval.

NO ACTION TAKEN

7. Discuss and take possible action to plan a joint dedication between Parks Board and Beautification Committee for the murals at Veterans Park.

City Secretary Andrea presented this agenda item to the Parks Board. Andrea stated the Beautification Committee would not like to participate. Chair Members Parks Board Chair stated we could do the dedication for murals on Saturday March 21, 2026 at 10:00-11:00 a.m. for opening day of the Lee County Little League. We also could have the Mayor Joel Lopez speak at this time. Director of Public Services Kenny Ray also suggested to have Amy the painter present at this time too. Discussion only. **NO ACTION TAKEN**

8. Discussion and take possible action regarding Veterans Park Splash Pad, Simmang Park, Veterans Memorial Park, City of Giddings Swimming Pool, Whistle Stop Park.

Parks Board Member Joe Rangel stated he is working with a gentleman to come down and look at the soccer fields for repurposing the fields in the near future. Joe asked about the timers for lights on the soccer field. Joe stated the lights are on the soccer field and maybe 3 kids are out playing or no one is there.

Supervisor Parks & Cemetery Justin Kessler stated the time will change then the lights will be set to time change. Justin stated that just about everyone knows where to turn on the lights.

Tomeka Kelly asked about lights on the football field. Supervisor Parks & Cemetery Justin Kessler stated they will be working on those lights just waiting for them to come in. Tomeka asked about placing a building on the property where football is played to store our equipment. Justin and Kenny stated it could be placed by the bleachers. Tomeka stated they will be working on getting a building.

It was brought to the Parks Board attention that if anyone uses the lights at the Giddings School Fields, they are charged to pay for the light usage. One Parks Board Member asked if we could have Andy Maske come to one of our meetings and ask him why they are charged. Tony Francis stated we are blessed to have the facility's we do have because in bigger towns like Austin you have to pay \$13,000.00 and on up to use the fields there.

9. Receive an update from Parks Supervisor Justin Kessler and Director of Public Services Kenny Ray.

Director of Public Services Kenny Ray presented to the Parks Board on the Fitness Court which is the works to be placed at Simmang Park. Kenny stated we will work on grants for this project. A short video was presented to show what the fitness court and all the equipment that can be used.

10. Discuss and take action regarding to set a time and date for the next meeting.

A motion was made by Parks Member Crystal Luna and seconded by Parks Member Darrell Sanders to set time and date for the next meeting to be Thursday, March 12, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Parks Board Members: Albrecht, Wooldridge, Francis, Luna, Sanders, Rangel, Kelly

Nays: None

11. Adjournment Chair Tiffany Albrecht adjourned at 7:14 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 for the Public Parks & Playground regular meeting.

ATTEST:

Andrea Ray
Andrea Ray, City Secretary



Tiffany Albrecht
Board Chairperson Signature