Norman Board of Parks Commissioners
November 1, 2012

The Norman Board of Parks Commissioners of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in the City Council Chambers on the 1st day of November, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at the Norman Public Library, and 201 West Gray Street, 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

ITEM 1, being:

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Brigham and Commissioners Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, Hoover, London, and Stewart

Absent: Commissioners Farley and Perry

City Officials Present: Jud Foster, Director Parks and Recreation

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ITEM 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 4th, 2012 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Hoover made the motion and Commissioner Brockhaus seconded to approve the minutes. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Brigham and Commissioners Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, Hoover, London, and Stewart

NAY: None

ITEM 3, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Goth made the motion and Commissioner Hoover seconded to approve the agenda. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Brigham and Commissioners Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, Hoover, London, and Stewart

NAY: None

ITEM 4, being:

DISCUSSION OF PARK BOARD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND PARK MASTER PLAN SUMMARY

Jud Foster presented an overview of the Parks and Recreation Department including personnel duties and responsibilities. Mr. Foster discussed the various park sites and facilities in the system, including the Golf Course and Westwood Pool.

Mr. Foster explained to the board how the park land dedication requirement process works, including land, fee-in-lieu of land and private park decisions. Chairman Brigham questioned if the 5% minimum grade requirement was required of private parks. Mr. Foster stated he would check and find out. He also explained how park development fees were collected and used.

Jud Foster presented a summary of the Park System Master Plan. It provides a snapshot of where we currently are and explained it is a working document which establishes goals for the next several years. This document was adopted by City Council.

ITEM 5, being:

MISCELLANEOUS

Nancy Yoch, a citizen who was a representative on the Master Plan committee, stated of the 500 citizens who responded to the mail out survey, 60% indicated hiking and walking as their biggest priority, 40% were swimming. Of the 1200 who responded to the on-line survey 20% placed walking and hiking as number 1 and 19% indicated swimming as their 1st preference. The 2000 students in grade 4, 7 and 10 all placed swimming as 1st. She stated when compared to the 7 benchmark cities looked at when doing the Master Plan the area in which we are lacking the most is in swimming.

Commissioner Stewart asked if the trails included bicycle trails. Mr. Foster stated mainly they were walking and hiking trails, but bicycles could use the trails. There is a separate bicycle path map.

Mr. Foster announced the Veterans Parade begins Sunday at 2:00 p.m. with over 90 entries including the 77th Army Band from Ft. Sill and also 200-300 soldiers marching. A Veterans Memorial Ceremony will begin at 4:00 with a flyover.

The Monroe Park dedication will be November 19th at 11:30 AM.

ITEM 9, being:

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Brockhaus made the motion and Commissioner Goth seconded to adjourn. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Brigham and Commissioners Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, Hoover, London, and Stewart

NAY: None

Passed and approved this 6th of December 2012

Dennis Brigham, Chairperson