

KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
June 27, 2016
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE

WORK SESSION at 5:30 PM
REGULAR SESSION at 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. WORK SESSION

***NOTE: Pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the work session or the regular session to discuss posted executive session items or to seek legal advice from the City Attorney on any item posted on the agenda.**

- A. Discussion of Kennedale Public Library's Long Range Plan
- B. Discuss City Council meeting procedures
- C. Discussion of items on regular agenda

III. REGULAR SESSION

IV. ROLL CALL

V. INVOCATION

VI. UNITED STATES PLEDGE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

"Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State under God; One and Indivisible."

VII. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Bulin Family Brick Presentation
Alvin "Red" & Hazel Austin Bulin
Thomas Alvin & Viola Williams Bulin

VIII. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM

At this time, any person with business before the City Council not scheduled on the Agenda may speak to the Council, provided that an official 'Speaker's Request Form' has been completed and submitted to the City Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. All comments must be directed towards the Mayor and Council, rather than individual council members or staff. All speakers must limit their comments to the subject matter as listed on the 'Speaker's Request Form.' No formal action or discussion can be taken on these items.

IX. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

In addition to any specific matters listed below, the city council may receive a report about items of community interest, including but not limited to recognition of individual officials, citizens or departments, information regarding holiday schedules, upcoming or attended events, etc.

- A. Updates from City Council
- B. Updates from the Mayor
- C. Updates from the City Manager

X. MONITORING INFORMATION

- A. Monthly Financials - May 2016
- B. Executive Limitations
- C. Ends Review - Balanced Scorecard

XI. INCIDENTAL ITEMS

XII. REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT)

All matters listed under incidental items (consent) have been previously discussed, require little or no deliberation, or are considered to be routine by the council. If discussion is desired, then an item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- A. Consider approval of minutes from May 14, 2016 budget planning workshop
- B. Consider approval of minutes from May 16, 2016 Election Business meeting
- C. Consider approval of minutes from May 16, 2016 regular meeting
- D. Consider approval of the NCTCOG share purchasing co-op

XIII. DECISION ITEMS

- A. Selection of a Mayor Pro-Tem
- B. **CASE # PZ 16-06** Public hearing and consideration of Ordinance 598 approval regarding a request by CHC Development for an amendment to the concept plan for the Swiney Estates Planned Development District. The Swiney Estates Planned Development District is generally located west of Bowman Springs Rd, south of Bolen Rd, east of a tributary of Village Creek, and north of Pennsylvania Ave.
 - 1. Staff presentation
 - 2. Applicant presentation
 - 3. Public hearing
 - 4. Applicant response
 - 5. Staff response and summary
 - 6. Action by the City Council

C. Public Hearing and consider approval of Ordinance 601 adopting the Kennedale 2016-2026 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan

1. Staff Presentation
2. Public Hearing
3. Staff response and summary
4. Action by Council

D. Consider approval of Ordinance 597 re-appointing Kennedale Municipal Court Presiding Judge, William "Bill" Lane and Associate Judge, Craig Magnuson, and re-appointing Erin Bakker, as the alternative Associate Judge

E. Consider approval of an Ordinance 599 amending the city's schedule of administrative fees

F. Consider approval of Ordinance 600 deleting Section 16-117 of the City of Kennedale Code to delete the payment compensation to members of the Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. The City Council may meet in closed session at any time during the work session or the regular session, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code for consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct may conflict with the Open Meetings Act, including discussion on any item posted on the agenda.

B. The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for the following:

1. 108 New Hope Road
2. 6727 Hudson Village Creek

XV. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION, AND TAKE ACTION NECESSARY PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NEEDED

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Kennedale will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. This building is wheelchair accessible, and parking spaces for disabled citizens are available. Requests for sign interpreter services must be made forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meetings. Please contact the City Secretary at 817.985.2104 or (TDD) 1.800.735.2989

CERTIFICATION

I certify that a copy of the June 27, 2016, agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board next to the main entrance of the City Hall building, 405 Municipal Drive, of the City of Kennedale, Texas, in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and said agenda was posted at least 72 hours preceding the schedule time of said meeting, in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.



Leslie Galloway, City Secretary

Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: WORK SESSION - A.

I. Subject:

Discussion of Kennedale Public Library's Long Range Plan

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

The Kennedale Public Library is required to have a current long range plan in place to maintain accreditation with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The 2016-2020 long range plan will ensure continuity of high quality library services, programs and materials for the residents of Kennedale.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	2016-2020 Long Range Plan	2016 LRP_Edit.pdf
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KENNEDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY LONG RANGE PLAN 2016

by Library Director Amanda King

LIBRARY ENDS STATEMENT

The Kennedale Public Library serves the community as a central hub for information. The library connects patrons with their community by offering innovative programs, gathering spaces, and services to enrich their lives.



LIBRARY SUB-ENDS

- Committed to being a community hub where all are welcomed and big ideas are developed.
- Actively listening to the community to develop innovative programs that address residents' needs.
- Ensuring that all residents have access to the high-quality print, digital, and technological resources they need to achieve their dreams.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

COMMUNITY

Providing a place for residents to learn and grow with one another

COLLABORATION

Achieving community goals through effective partnerships

RESPECT

Treating one another as equals and providing access to shared resources

LEARNING

Encouraging life-long learning through various forms of literacy

ACCOUNTABILITY

Utilizing public resources effectively and transparently

HOW WE RESPOND

INTEGRITY

Exemplifying ethical behavior and putting others first when challenges arise

INNOVATION

Remaining flexible and receptive to new ideas and better ways to serve our community

TEAMWORK

Working together, communicating consistently, and accomplishing common goals and objectives for the good of the library and patrons

PROFESSIONALISM

Protecting patron privacy and intellectual freedom

City of
KENNEDALE.
Texas
PUBLIC LIBRARY

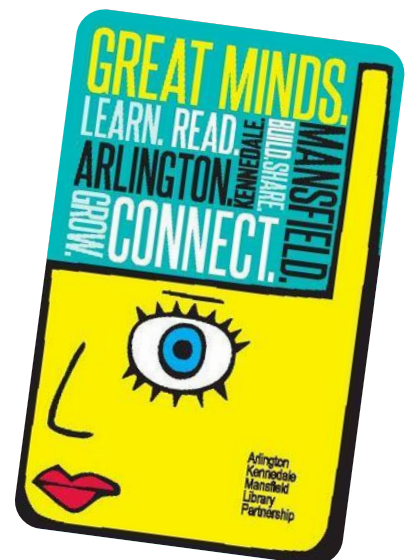


INTRODUCTION

The Kennedale Public Library is a beloved institution, regarded by the community as a welcoming and safe place to learn, grow, and connect. The library developed organically thanks to the dedication of countless volunteers and civic-minded residents who advocated and collaborated to create the library our community enjoys today. Through our partnership with the Mansfield and Arlington Public Libraries, Kennedale residents have access to hundreds of thousands of print, audiovisual, and electronic resources – far beyond the capacity of a typical small town library.

Much has been accomplished since the library was established more than twenty years ago, but there is always room for growth. To remain relevant, modern libraries must adapt to new technologies and trends, and the Kennedale Public Library is no different. Staff is dedicated to identifying and implementing solutions that maximize access to resources, programs, and facilities while always being careful stewards of the funds entrusted to us by the community.

The ultimate goal of this plan is to ensure the continued success and viability of the Kennedale Public Library as it moves forward in an ever-changing world.



GOAL ONE

BECOME A COMMUNITY HUB

OBJECTIVE

Evaluate and revise the facility's layout to provide more gathering space

ACTION ITEMS

- Procure grant funding for new shelving for the adult collection, a new circulation desk, and additional seating
- Curate materials into a more accessible arrangement, including well-defined collections for children, teens, and adults
- Institute automated technologies to streamline services and allow staff to dedicate more time to developing and hosting programs

OBJECTIVE

Increase community awareness of library services through marketing

ACTION ITEMS

- Invest in reusable marketing materials including banners and signage
- Establish a stronger social media presence and following
- Attend local events where staff can highlight library services and programs



GOAL TWO CENTRALIZE INFORMATION

OBJECTIVE

Work closely with city staff and other local organizations to become a reliable and trusted source for community news and information

ACTION ITEMS

- Update existing bulletin boards monthly to promote local events and news
- Provide city newsletters in a prominent location for residents who prefer printed materials

OBJECTIVE

Redesign the library's web presence to streamline information access and minimize confusion

ACTION ITEMS

- Incorporate the library's current standalone website into the city's website
- Use plain language and easy organization to help patrons find answers quicker

OBJECTIVE

Update the print collection to reflect the current information needs of the community

ACTION ITEMS

- Replace outdated and inaccurate items in the collection with updated resources
- Research and add electronic materials based on demand and need when appropriate



GOAL THREE

ENGAGING PROGRAMMING FOR ALL AGES

OBJECTIVE

Develop adult programming that is varied and regularly scheduled year-round

ACTION ITEMS

- Cooperate with local businesses to provide free educational classes
- Solicit donations and grants to defray the costs associated with special programs
- Publish an annual calendar of events that is available both online and in print

OBJECTIVE

Expand children's programs to encompass all ages through grade school

ACTION ITEMS

- Plan and publicize "Babygarten", a twice-yearly program for infants and their caregivers
- Host a weekly program for grade-school children

OBJECTIVE

Establish young adult programs that foster fellowship and a love for learning

ACTION ITEMS

- Collaborate with Kennedale ISD, Fellowship Academy, and the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) to develop and publicize events that appeal to junior high and high school students
- Solicit donations to purchase reusable equipment for monthly programs



OBJECTIVE

Partner with KISD and Fellowship Academy to achieve common literacy goals

ACTION ITEMS

- Develop an active partnership by finding common ground with administrators
- Create mutually beneficial initiatives to implement alongside local schools

OBJECTIVE

Regularly train staff in progressive best-practices for program development

ACTION ITEMS

- Encourage all staff to attend nearby continuing education events
- Budget for the Library Director to attend applicable conferences to ensure that staff is aware of current issues and trends affecting libraries

GOAL FOUR FACILITY EXPANSION

OBJECTIVE

Conduct a long-term facility space analysis and prepare for renovations beyond 2020

ACTION ITEMS

- Partner with Tarrant County College for a facility assessment of the current configuration and possible updates that would maximize gathering space
- Budget for the Library Director to become well-versed in best practices and innovations in library design by attending industry-specific workshops

OBJECTIVE

Research and plan for the expansion of the building to provide a multi-use classroom

ACTION ITEMS

- Utilize community input to choose appropriate and useful technology and resources
- Seek advice from appropriate consultants regarding the costs, limitations, and design possibilities of enclosing the facility's current "back porch" area

OBJECTIVE

Research and plan for the expansion of the building to provide additional staff workspace

ACTION ITEMS

- Solicit staff input regarding workspace improvements that would increase productivity
- Seek advice from appropriate consultants regarding the costs, limitations, and design possibilities of enclosing the facility's current "back porch" area



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: WORK SESSION - B.

I. Subject:

Discuss City Council meeting procedures

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Creating a City Council meeting procedures policy was identified as an important task. The following information has been compiled from meeting policies from selected cities. The underlying philosophy of how to conduct a meeting was excerpted from a Lewis McClain article. I believe these are compatible with your attitude toward service.

SOURCE: The Ultimate Transparency Model: The Teaching Government by Lewis McClain

Cities nationwide are focused on encouraging residents to become knowledgeable about local government and to be active in its processes. Often this is done by providing massive amounts of information on government websites. This strategy is transparent and well-meaning, but also fatally flawed as the information often requires much time to read and often a level of expertise that few possess to understand. A suggested solution is to implement a teaching government approach.

Local government meetings are sterile, boring, and usually constrained by time. However, a shift in attitude turns these meetings into critical teaching moments. We want people to attend, hear the facts, and develop an informed opinion. We cannot beg for an educated citizenry and then ignore the need to foster a learning environment. Mechanical boards and blank-faced audiences are the antithesis of learning environments.

So, what is a Teaching Government? It is one that is clear in its intentions and deliberate in its actions. It is a council that publicly declares its dedication to shifting its meeting forum and format toward one that is more conducive to learning. You may be tempted to ease into it, but by announcing your intentions publicly, you not only acknowledge the need for change, but also become more accountable to make that change. There are some characteristics a teaching government might implement:

- Dialogue with Decorum
- Public Teaching Moments
- Citizen Development
- Transparency and Disclosure
- Academic Articulation with a Classroom Demeanor

Start with the agenda. Every agenda item, other than housekeeping items, should have an explanation. Documentation of decision processes should be only one or two pages, and contain the basic facts:

- What is the issue? What are we being asked to do/approve?
- What is the background?
- What is being asked to be decided?

- What are the options explored and the pros and cons of each?
- What is the recommendation and why?
- Who is involved?
- What is the timeline?
- What are the costs or savings?

Make sure you've answered all of the basic questions the council or a resident might have in the briefing memo. Big items would require more attachments like the developer request and justification, the staff recommendation, and other pertinent documents like location maps and public notices. Since council meetings are often slices of a continuing story, context is key. How many platted lots or building permits are in the pipeline? What are our cumulative budget amendments so far for this year? How much money have we given this non-profit over the last five years and how many people do they serve? If there is a flip chart or presentation, the audience, whether sitting in the chambers or watching online (if you record your meetings), should be able to read the smallest bullet points.

How can we ensure that everyone on the council, as well as in the audience, understood the issue and the decision? Have you ever heard a council member ask after a vote, "What did we just decide?" How can someone participate in a discussion and then vote without fully understanding what they were voting for? Well, often questions aren't fully answered. Cross-conversations between council members become hard to follow. Then someone suddenly calls for a vote. It happens all the time. So, if a council member is confused, imagine what the audience members must feel. A true teaching spirit in an intentional environment must appreciate how we all sometimes struggle to digest complex issues.

Now, it might sound strange because that's "not how we do it", but what if the Mayor prefaced each agenda item with a brief comment about its purpose? Then, following the vote, recapped the merits discussed and the basis for the decision? However, in a classroom, it would be typical to introduce a topic, explain the subject matter, and then recap the key points before moving on. In a courtroom, a huge effort is made to ensure that the jury understands the facts and the decision expected of them. In a novel or a play, a writer must make sure the plot is understood by the audience. All of these examples involve a deliberate effort to explain the story and to answer the questions naturally arising from a curious mind. There is a reason to have prologues, preambles, prefaces, and introductions. The same goes for the postscript and epilogue. In news media parlance, is it about answering the Who, What, When, Where, Why and How questions before you are done with an item.

Who could play the role of the narrator? The Mayor? Yes. The City Manager? Yes. But what about other council members or staff? Most local governments, by far the majority, have slim to shallow news reporting if they have any at all. Experienced or not, many reporters have multiple assignments and simply can't be in two places at the same time. If the PIOs are supposed to be in charge of press releases and media content, then why could they not write a news briefs about the council items and decisions? Their skill-set should be such that they could stand up at the end of a council meeting and run through the highlights of the meetings for the audience to grasp. They could also write a synopsis of the meeting as a press release to go out electronically to citizens.

Lewis McLain concludes with "...We all could give ten valid reasons why The Teaching Government idea wouldn't work for every reason it might work. And all ten would be personality issues. But before we throw up our hands, let's go back to the introduction where the problems were stated. Do we desire to address those problems? If so, how could a resolution be designed and successfully implemented? If we place so much emphasis on education and the tools to achieve an intelligent community, why not this approach or something similar?

Are we willing to look back to see decades of the same forum and format as we have today and be satisfied that this is the best we can do? Is this the same picture we are going to see in the next decade or two with only a few technical achievements to show for our efforts? Why do we use the phrase political science with no desire to approach the stated problems with no skills? Can we get motivated to advance our skill-sets to draw from several effective story-telling examples to elevate the citizen and draw them to be involved in our local democracy?

Why would we cast the net for board and committee volunteers and then be surprised at the qualifications of the applicants? Why wouldn't a threshold requirement be the number of meetings they have attended in the past year and what they learned from those forums?

My first council meeting in 1973 looked as identical and as ugly as the ones I see in 2016. The common thread is the regiment and sterility of Robert's Rules of Order. A good student can glean some community and governmental knowledge if they work hard at it. But most forums are without a learning environment attitude and ingredients. Moreover, if the players want to participate in a charade where you see voting and a few good questions sprinkled amongst stoic elected officials who don't know, don't care and are there mostly to protect their special interests, then all we have to do is keep having meetings erroneously labeled as transparency. I would like to see a Teaching Government forum with intentional instructors."

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Sample Meeting Procedures	Council Meeting Procedure.docx
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SAMPLE MEETING PROCEDURES *Heavily borrowed from Charlottesville, VA*

The City of Kennedale's City Council is composed of a Mayor and five (5) Council members, elected at-large. Kennedale is a Home Rule City, operating under a Charter that gives Council the power to enact local legislation, adopt budgets, and determine policies subject only to the limitations imposed by the State Constitution and the city's own charter. Council appoints a City Manager that serves as the chief executive officer of the city and directs all employees in a manner that ensures that Council's policies and vision are carried out. To learn more about the Charter, please visit www.cityofkennedale.com/charter.

The City Council holds regular meetings on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers in City Hall (405 Municipal Drive in Kennedale). Each regular Council meeting consists of a Work Session (at 5:30 p.m.) and a Regular Session (at 7:00 p.m.). The Work Session is an opportunity for staff to present updates on ends, city policies, future plans, and other presentations that keep Council informed of the activities around the city. The Regular Meeting consists of the Call to Order, Visitor/Citizen Forum, Reports/Announcements, Monitoring Information, Incidental Items, Required Approval Items (Consent), Decision Items, and Executive Session. Each segment of the Regular Meeting fulfills a specific purpose. For example, the Required Approval Items (Consent) enables City Council to vote on non-controversial items with a single vote. On the other hand, the Decision Items is where public hearings, readings of Ordinances, and items forwarded from the Boards and Commissions are individually discussed and acted upon. Opportunities for the public to address Council occur during the Regular Meeting (Visitor/Citizen Forum). The Council may also call special meetings when needed.

Items considered by the Council are listed on an agenda that is posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting on the City Bulletin Board located inside the City Hall vestibule at 405 Municipal Drive and on the online calendar at www.cityofkennedale.com/cal. Information about meetings may also be obtained by calling the City Secretary at 817-985-2104.

To assist the City Council in providing knowledgeable, efficient government, the Council appoints qualified residents to boards, committees, and commissions. For example, the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Economic Development Corporation Board, and the Parks and Recreation Board hold monthly public meetings to discuss projects, plans, and hear resident comments. The Council invites residents who are interested in serving on a board or committee to apply at www.cityofkennedale.com/boards or in-person at City Hall (405 Municipal Drive in Kennedale). If you have any questions regarding applying for a board or commission, please contact the City Secretary at 817-985-2104.

CARVER GOVERNANCE POLICY

In an effort to improve effectiveness, the Kennedale City Council adopted the Policy Governance® model of governance. John Carver's Policy Governance® model is the only complete, universal theory of governance — a conceptually coherent paradigm of principles and concepts (*not of structure*). The model enables the Council — as “servant-leaders” of the public — to ensure that city staff achieves Council-stated ends and conducts themselves with probity.

Because it is an all-encompassing governance theory, Policy Governance® informs Council's planning, vision, mission, agenda control, budgeting, reporting, City Manager evaluation, management relationships, fiduciary responsibility, and all other aspects of their role.

The model is a thorough working theory of Council leadership that cannot be fully presented in this brief space. However, the basic tenets could be stated as such:

“The purpose of the City Council is to ensure, on the behalf of Kennedale residents, that the organization achieves what it should and avoids what is unacceptable.”

It is the City Council’s responsibility to govern collectively, not individually. That is, whatever authority is legitimately wielded by a Council is wielded by the Council as a group. Hence, a City Manager is bound by what the Council says, but never by what an individual Council member says. A Council should pledge to its City Manager that it will never hold him or her accountable for keeping an individual Council member happy and will never hold him or her accountable for any criteria except those expressed officially by the Council as a whole. The Council as a body is obligated to protect its staff from the Council as individuals.

Consequently, Councils give their City Managers credit for programs, services, and curricula rather than demanding data (even crude data are better than none) on whether the right recipients received the right results at the right cost. In order to lead, Councils must learn that services, programs and curricula have no value except as they produce the desired ends. Therefore, Councils are well-advised to look beyond these operational means and on to the ends that really matter.

AGENDA AND MATERIALS

1. The City Manager shall prepare the agenda, including both required approval (consent) and decision items; and shall, in consultation with the Mayor, provide background materials for the Council and the public on these items. Any Council member wishing to add items to the agenda must submit them to the City Manager and the Mayor no fewer than ten (10) business days before the meeting.
2. Agenda and background materials for upcoming City Council meetings shall be made available for public review in the City Secretary’s Office and at www.cityofkennedale.com/agendas concurrent with Council’s receipt of the same, but no later than the Thursday preceding the meeting.
3. Any materials in addition to the background materials shall be distributed to the Council by the City Secretary no later than Friday before the meeting. Council may defer any item for which all relevant information has not been provided in a timely manner.

MAYOR AS PRESIDING OFFICER

1. The Mayor shall preside at all City Council meetings, serve as the Governance Officer, enforce the rules of the Council, and preserve order and decorum at Council meetings. The Mayor Pro Tem shall preside in the Mayor’s absence.
2. The Mayor shall administer Robert’s Rules of Order, and the City Attorney shall serve as Parliamentarian.
3. During a City Council meeting, the Mayor shall have control of the Council Chambers and the connecting halls and corridors, and any other venue where a Council meeting is being held. In case of a disturbance or disorderly conduct that disrupts the meeting, the Mayor may take measures the Mayor deems appropriate, including but not limited to suspending the meeting until order is restored, ordering audio and visual equipment temporarily turned off, and ordering areas to be cleared by the Police Chief (or Police Chief’s designee).

VISITOR/CITIZEN FORUM & PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Time shall be reserved during each regular City Council meeting for the "Visitor/Citizen Forum". Public comment shall also be allowed during those agenda items for which a "Public Hearing" is designated on the agenda. Individuals wishing to speak during Visitor/Citizen Forum or a scheduled public hearing should complete and submit the associated form: Either: 1) Visitor/Citizen Forum – Request to Speak; or 2) Public Hearing – Request to Speak.
2. Speakers may remain at the podium for a maximum of three (3) minutes, and shall begin by stating their full name and address. An individual may speak only once during each Visitor/Citizen Forum or Public Hearing. Remarks must be addressed directly to Council and not to city staff, the audience, other speakers, or the media. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council and Mayor are not permitted to respond to comments. When speaking during a public hearing, speakers shall limit their remarks to those relevant to the pending agenda item.
3. If a speaker is not present when their name is called, that person officially forfeits their opportunity to speak. Speakers may not concede their allotted time to another person; the person whose name is written on the speaker sheet must be the person who begins speaking, although they may be accompanied by others at the podium, and may share the allotted three (3) minutes with them.
4. Written materials presented during the Visitor/Citizen Forum must be provided to the City Secretary prior to the meeting, and will be distributed to the Council. For distribution of hard copies to Council, nine copies must be provided. PowerPoint presentations cannot be accommodated during Visitor/Citizen Forum.
5. Improper comments and disorderly conduct are not permitted. Persons appearing before the Council will not be allowed to:
 - Campaign for public office
 - Promote private business ventures
 - Use profanity or vulgar language or gestures
 - Threaten violence toward Council, city staff, or members of the public
 - Engage in behavior that intimidates others
 - Interrupt other speakers or engage in behavior that disrupts the meeting
 - Attacks or defame individuals or groups
6. Any speaker who violates the rules will be called to order by the Mayor. If the improper remarks or conduct persists, the Mayor shall order the individual to cease speaking and be seated. If the order is not heeded, the Mayor, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, shall direct the Police Chief (or Police Chief's designee) to escort the individual from the meeting room.
7. The Mayor, with the concurrence of the City Attorney, may order the expulsion of any person for a serious violation of these rules, disruptive behavior, or any words or action that incite violence or disorder, subject to appeal to City Council. Any person so expelled shall not be readmitted for the remainder of the meeting from which expelled.

REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT AGENDA)

1. The required approval items may be used for eligible items and may include, but is not limited to, routine and non-controversial appropriations, grant applications, contracts, resolutions, ordinances, second readings, and the minutes.
2. After the required approval items are read by the Mayor, any item may be removed at the request of any Council member. Any item removed from this section of the agenda shall be

added to the discussion items section for that same meeting. Those items not removed from the required approval items shall be acted upon by a single vote.

DECISION ITEMS

1. General

- Decision items shall typically be heard in the order in which they appear on the agenda. However, the Mayor may postpone or take agenda items out of sequence.
- Staff or an appropriate designee will present to Council, after which Councilors may ask clarifying questions of staff if necessary. If a public hearing is scheduled, it will take place before a motion is on the floor.

2. Motions and Debate

- As outlined in Robert's Rules of Order, Council may only discuss an agenda item after a motion is made, unless provided otherwise by the Mayor. Any member of the Council making a motion shall address the Mayor, and wait for recognition before speaking. The person making the motion is entitled to first hold the floor for debate. Discussion and debate shall be limited to the merits of the immediately pending motion. No member may speak a second time on the same motion if any other member who has not already spoken on the motion desires the floor. The Mayor must recognize any member who seeks the floor. The Mayor shall state that a motion has been made and seconded before debate commences. The Mayor may not close debate as long as any member who has not exhausted his or her right to debate desires the floor, unless a vote to call the question passes. The Mayor shall declare all votes.¹
- In debate, speakers shall be collegial in their language, shall avoid all reference to personalities, and shall never allude to the motives of Council members. No member shall interrupt another without the consent of the member who has the floor, except when making a point of order.

3. Voting

- The Mayor shall call the question. If any member abstains from voting the reason for the abstention shall be included in the minutes of the meeting. The Mayor shall announce that the motion is adopted or failed.

RECESS

1. During regular meetings, the Mayor may call for a brief recess.

OTHER

1. In the interests of efficient management, if Council members seek answers from city staff, they should generally attempt to do so through the City Manager. In any event, when asking questions of staff, Council members should advise City Manager of same.
2. Members of the City Council, including the Mayor, shall represent the official policies or positions of the City Council to the best of their ability when designated as delegates for this purpose. When presenting their individual opinions and positions, Council members shall explicitly state they do not represent their body or the city, nor will they allow the inference that they do. No member of City Council may purport to speak on behalf of the city on matters that have not been voted on by Council or that do not represent official city policy unless authorized by the Mayor.

¹ Section does not apply to Work Sessions.

3. Council members shall respect and adhere to the council-manager structure of Kennedale City government as outlined in the Kennedale Home Rule Charter. In this structure, the City Council determines the policies of the city with the advice, information and analysis provided by city staff, boards and commissions, and the public. Council members shall not interfere with the administrative functions of the city or the professional duties of city staff; nor shall they impair the ability of staff to implement Council policy decisions.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. City Council meetings shall be governed according to Robert's Rules of Order, except where provided otherwise by the Texas Local Government Code, the City of Kennedale's Code of Ordinances, these City Council Meeting Procedures, or other procedures or guidelines adopted by City Council.
2. No rule of procedure adopted by the City Council can be suspended, except by the consent of three (3) Council members. Suspension of the rules may be made by a motion.
3. Special meetings, work sessions and closed meetings may be held in addition to the schedule of regular meetings. Special meeting notification requirements are governed by the Texas Local Government Code.
4. For special meetings, the purpose and nature dictates whether public comment will be allowed. For example, public comment is not typically allowed at work sessions, while some meetings (like the budget forum and Town Hall meetings) are held for the express purpose of hearing from members of the public. If public comment is allowed at a special meeting, the same public participation rules applicable to regular City Council meetings will apply.
5. Persons with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations by contacting the City Secretary at 817-985-2104. We do ask that you please make these requests in advance.

These rules are adopted by the Kennedale City Council pursuant to the City of Kennedale Home Rule Charter and supersede all prior rules or policies. These rules do not create substantive rights for third parties or participants in proceedings before City Council, and City Council reserves the right to suspend or amend the rules in any manner allowed by city code. The failure of City Council to strictly comply with these rules of public participation shall not invalidate any action of City Council.



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: WORK SESSION - C.

I. Subject:

Discussion of items on regular agenda

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Discussion of items on regular agenda.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:



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Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - A.

I. Subject:

Updates from City Council

II. Originated by:

City Council, City Council

III. Summary:

Updates and information from Council members .

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

None

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - B.

I. Subject:

Updates from the Mayor

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Updates and information from the Mayor.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - C.

I. Subject:

Updates from the City Manager

II. Originated by:

Bob Hart

III. Summary:

Updates and information from City Manager, if any.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: MONITORING INFORMATION - A.

I. Subject:

Monthly Financials - May 2016

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Overview of the City's revenues/expenditures for all funds compared to budget and previous year.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	May 2016 Financials	2016_05 Monthly Financials.pdf
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**CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS
ANNUAL PROGRAM OF SERVICES
MONTHLY FINANCIALS**

Note: Property Taxes, Interest and Admin Charges to Funds have not been booked due to software issues that Tarrant County has in providing us reports for property taxes.

CURRENT LINE ITEM BUDGET OVERAGES FOR THE CITY

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	BUDGET	CURRENT BALANCE	OVERAGE
01-5107-10-00	OVERTIME	80,000	112,692	32,692
01-5109-10-00	PART TIME/TEMPORARY	10,000	50,857	40,857
01-5116-90-00	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	6,120	12,135	6,015
01-5240-02-00	PRINTED SUPPLIES	400	1,526	1,126
01-5240-03-00	PRINTED SUPPLIES	200	459	259
01-5240-10-00	PRINTED SUPPLIES	729	845	116
01-5260-17-00	GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES	300	467	167
01-5430-10-00	MOTOR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	33,000	33,357	357
01-5430-12-01	MOTOR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	1,190	1,796	606
01-5510-04-00	ASSOCIATION DUES/PUBLICATIONS	965	1,064	99
01-5510-10-00	ASSOCIATION DUES/PUBLICATIONS	5,000	5,997	997
01-5510-12-01	ASSOCIATION DUES/PUBLICATIONS	1,400	1,621	221
01-5525-02-00	TRAINING/SEMINARS	1,000	2,050	1,050
01-5525-17-00	TRAINING/SEMINARS	-	265	265
01-5540-90-00	INSURANCE- AUTO	19,208	21,109	1,901
01-5570-01-00	SPECIAL SERVICES	8,500	11,328	2,828
01-5570-02-00	SPECIAL SERVICES	4,788	6,250	1,462
01-5573-03-00	ELECTION SERVICES	5,200	7,000	1,800
01-5578-07-01	TRAVEL	1,612	2,384	772
01-5578-17-00	TRAVEL	365	772	407
01-5590-09-01	WATER/SEWER SERVICES	1,800	2,506	706
01-5590-16-00	WATER/SEWER SERVICES	1,500	1,726	226
07-5510-01-00	ASSOCIATION DUES/PUBLICATIONS	5,073	6,592	1,519
07-5565-01-00	LEGAL SERVICES	2,500	6,100	3,600
10-5116-90-00	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	990	2,214	1,224
10-5260-01-02	GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES	700	918	218
10-5409-01-02	WASTEWATER SYSTEM MAINTENANCE	120,000	215,175	95,175
10-5450-01-02	PUMP/MOTOR MAINTENANCE	28,000	44,479	16,479
10-5861-90-00	MOTOR VEHICLES	55,000	56,692	1,692
12-5430-02-00	MOTOR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	-	550	550
15-5510-04-00	ASSOCIATION DUES/PUBLICATIONS	4,020	5,086	1,066
15-5570-01-00	SPECIAL SERVICES	72,600	76,189	3,589
15-5580-01-00	ENGINEERING	1,000	7,150	6,150
15-5610-01-00	VISUAL GRANT	-	4,843	4,843
15-5615-01-00	FUNCTIONAL GRANT	-	19,588	19,588
17-5230-12-02	CLEANING SUPPLIES	425	661	236
17-5240-12-02	PRINTED SUPPLIES	75	419	344
17-5260-12-02	GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES	375	913	538
17-5280-12-02	MINOR EQUIP/SMALL TOOLS <5K	6,000	6,145	145

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17-5403-12-02	BUILDING MAINTENANCE	5,000	12,932	7,932
17-5404-12-03	PARK MAINTENANCE	34,000	41,248	7,248
17-5570-12-02	SPECIAL SERVICES	7,800	11,344	3,544
17-5580-12-02	ENGINEERING	6,000	56,350	50,350
TOTAL		532,835	853,794	320,959
OVERAGE OF THESE FUNDS				160.2%

FUND 99 CASH BALANCES

1201 GENERAL FUND	1,646,042
1202 DEBT SERVICE	63,386
1204 CAPITAL PROJ- ST CONSTRUCTION	75,265
1205 VEHICLE FUND	(21,715)
1207 STORM DRAINAGE UTILITY FUND	156,035
1210 WATER AND SEWER FUND	(483,657)
1212 COURT SECURITY FUND	9,691
1213 CIP FUND - 1998 CO	(177,121)
1214 PARK DEDICATION FUND	171,996
1215 ECO DEV CORPORATION	(39,413)
1216 COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND	9,156
1217 STREETS IMPROVEMENT FUND	250,747
1218 JUVENILE CASE MANAGER FUND	26,714
1221 KENNEDALE TIFF#1 FUND	2
1231 POLICE SEIZURE FUND	6,541
1232 LIBRARY BUILDING FUND	11,784
1234 LEOSE FUND	(32)
1241 DONATION FUND	45,547
1245 ROADWAY IMPACT FEE FUND	242,015
1261 WATER IMPACT FEE FUND	170,220
1262 SEWER IMPACT FEE FUND	64,804
1283 TREE REFORESTATION FUND	67,851
1285 UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FUND	1,990
1295 EDC FIXED ASSET/RESERVE	120,056

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MONTHLY FINANCIALS**

REVENUES	FY14-15 YTD	FY14-15 ACTUAL	FY15-16 ADOPTED	CURRENT MONTH	FY14-15 YTD	CY - PY CHANGE	% OF BUDGET USED	BUDGET REMAINING
GENERAL FUND	4,454,960	6,023,006	6,091,420	218,183	4,729,915	436,952	77.6%	1,361,505
OTHER GENERAL FUNDS	892,811	1,437,430	1,263,636	38,832	572,220	28,617	45.3%	691,416
GENERAL FUND	5,347,770	7,460,436	7,355,056	257,015	5,302,135	465,568	72.1%	2,052,921
GENERAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	1,224,362	1,340,773	1,403,111	-	1,228,722	43,928	87.6%	174,389
WATER/SEWER FUND	1,821,711	3,460,517	5,672,328	417,060	2,418,016	2,185,873	42.6%	3,254,312
STORMWATER UTILITY FUND	121,864	200,108	247,825	19,137	155,003	(17,700)	62.5%	92,822
WATER IMPACT FUND	124,533	172,370	116,040	15,862	65,909	30	56.8%	50,131
SEWER IMPACT FUND	29,735	44,619	6,682	5,127	18,240	(1)	273.0%	(11,558)
WATER/SEWER FUND	2,097,842	3,877,614	6,042,875	457,187	2,657,167	2,168,203	44.0%	3,385,707
EDC4B FUNDS	320,901	650,469	912,036	47,134	306,804	10,331	33.6%	605,232
CAPITAL FUNDS	209,505	827,125	1,141,107	11,553	396,014	(107,523)	34.7%	745,093
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	(3,076)	42,861	126,801	34,322	89,671	125,000	70.7%	37,130
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 9,197,305	\$ 14,199,278	\$ 16,980,986	\$ 807,210	\$ 9,980,515	\$ 2,705,508	58.8%	7,000,471
EXPENDITURES	FY14-15 YTD	FY14-15 ACTUAL	FY15-16 ADOPTED	CURRENT MONTH	FY14-15 YTD	CY - PY CHANGE	% OF BUDGET USED	BUDGET REMAINING
GENERAL FUND	3,598,970	5,688,346	6,198,118	414,137	3,865,754	372,294	62.4%	2,332,364
OTHER GENERAL FUNDS	710,700	1,127,260	1,322,814	160,397	972,655	24,818	73.5%	350,158
GENERAL FUND	4,309,670	6,815,606	7,520,932	574,534	4,838,409	397,112	62.4%	2,682,522
GENERAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	1,138,487	1,338,313	1,363,867	25,732	1,173,473	20,759	86.0%	190,394
WATER/SEWER FUND	2,626,412	4,063,998	6,093,227	144,370	2,523,847	1,032,548	41.4%	3,569,380
STORMWATER UTILITY FUND	291,026	111,696	264,273	16,613	59,469	(307,954)	22.5%	204,804
WATER IMPACT FUND	-	174,916	171,200	-	-	(3,716)	0.0%	171,200
SEWER IMPACT FUND	-	22,396	-	-	-	(22,396)	0.0%	-
WATER/SEWER FUND	2,917,437	4,373,006	6,528,700	160,982	2,583,315	698,482	39.6%	3,945,385
EDC4B FUNDS	475,271	694,022	711,842	31,129	463,073	(24,127)	65.1%	248,770
CAPITAL FUNDS	266,607	795,765	1,283,626	149,223	528,333	(53,843)	41.2%	755,293
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	-	48,852	126,800	18,858	88,446	(55,000)	69.8%	38,354
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,107,471	\$ 14,065,564	\$ 17,535,767	\$ 960,458	\$ 9,675,050	\$ 983,384	55.2%	7,860,717

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GENERAL FUND	FY14-15 YTD	FY14-15 ACTUAL	FY15-16 ADOPTED	CURRENT MONTH	FY15-16 YTD	CY - PY CHANGE	% OF BUDGET USED	BUDGET REMAINING
CITY MANAGER	166,190	275,390	293,578	23,105	189,205	11,658	64.4%	104,372
MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL	34,749	77,128	88,576	13,000	60,763	(5,530)	68.6%	27,813
CITY SECRETARY	65,519	124,118	135,923	8,180	85,437	(12,421)	62.9%	50,486
MUNICIPAL COURT	80,508	129,204	157,745	19,045	68,763	18,928	43.6%	88,982
HUMAN RESOURCES	73,305	112,330	124,565	8,744	78,350	6,723	62.9%	46,215
FINANCE	235,466	348,750	323,931	18,851	229,557	(96,469)	70.9%	94,374
POLICE	1,276,886	2,033,489	2,245,833	137,605	1,387,933	193,639	61.8%	857,900
FIRE	1,085,038	1,627,526	1,728,014	113,454	1,099,088	79,246	63.6%	628,926
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	198,421	347,889	439,480	34,614	246,183	57,053	56.0%	193,296
SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER	26,872	50,569	54,077	5,888	30,021	(32)	55.5%	24,056
LIBRARY	134,492	217,519	239,080	18,450	157,626	9,990	65.9%	81,453
NONDEPARTMENTAL	221,524	344,434	367,317	13,202	232,825	109,510	63.4%	134,492
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,598,970	\$ 5,688,346	\$ 6,198,118	\$ 414,137	\$ 3,865,754	\$ 372,294	62.4%	\$ 2,332,364

WATER/SEWER FUND	FY14-15 YTD	FY14-15 ACTUAL	FY15-16 ADOPTED	CURRENT MONTH	FY15-16 YTD	CY - PY CHANGE	% OF BUDGET USED	BUDGET REMAINING
UTILITY BILLING	669,938	1,326,837	1,360,981	31,322	610,799	14,824	44.9%	750,182
WATER OPERATIONS	1,016,572	1,122,780	3,156,143	111,324	936,344	1,374,731	29.7%	2,219,799
DEBT	443,926	186,691	505,472	-	450,087	1,372	89.0%	55,385
NONDEPARTMENTAL	495,976	1,427,690	1,070,631	1,724	526,617	(358,379)	49.2%	544,014
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,626,412	\$ 4,063,998	\$ 6,093,227	\$ 144,370	\$ 2,523,847	\$ 1,032,548	41.4%	\$ 3,569,380

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND	FY14-15 YTD	FY14-15 ACTUAL	FY15-16 ADOPTED	CURRENT MONTH	FY15-16 YTD	CY - PY CHANGE	% OF BUDGET USED	BUDGET REMAINING
STREETS	417,566	704,161	1,042,537	155,192	792,191	213,861	76.0%	250,346
PARKS MAINTENANCE	55,549	118,624	84,000	5,011	71,647	7,000	85.3%	12,353
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 473,114	\$ 822,784	\$ 1,126,537	\$ 160,203	\$ 863,838	\$ 220,861	76.7%	\$ 262,700

EDC4B FUNDS	FY14-15 YTD	FY14-15 ACTUAL	FY15-16 ADOPTED	CURRENT MONTH	FY15-16 YTD	CY - PY CHANGE	% OF BUDGET USED	BUDGET REMAINING
ADMINISTRATION	128,235	241,795	176,466	39,818	139,785	(85,995)	79.2%	36,681
DEBT SERVICE	309,773	323,315	319,893	-	300,401	(3,475)	93.9%	19,491
TOWN SHOPPING CENTER	37,264	66,816	50,484	616	28,578	-	56.6%	21,906
TOWN CENTER REDEVELOPME	-	-	90,000	-	-	90,000	0.0%	90,000
TX LEVERAGE	-	101,192	50,000	-	18,739	(60,000)	37.5%	31,261
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 475,271	\$ 733,118	\$ 686,842	\$ 40,434	\$ 487,503	\$ (59,471)	71.0%	\$ 199,339



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: MONITORING INFORMATION - B.

I. Subject:
Executive Limitations

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:
Reports are attached for review.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Executive Limitations	Executive Limitations 06.2016.docx
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POLICY TYPE: EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS
POLICY TITLE: GLOBAL EXECUTIVE CONSTRAINT

The City Manager shall not cause or allow any organizational practice, activity, decision, or circumstance that is either unlawful, imprudent, or in violation of commonly accepted business and professional ethics.

The utility system remains in a deficit financial position. The recent rate increase will bring the system back into compliance with the fiscal policies in 2½ years. Other operations are in compliance with the global constraint policy.

POLICY TYPE: EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS
POLICY TITLE: TREATMENT OF CUSTOMERS OF CITY SERVICES

With respect to interactions with customers, the City Manager shall not cause or allow conditions, procedures, or decisions that are unsafe, untimely, undignified, or unnecessarily intrusive.

The City Manager will not:

1. Elicit information for which there is no clear necessity.
2. Use methods of collecting, reviewing, transmitting, or storing customer information that fail to protect against improper access to the material
3. Operate facilities without appropriate accessibility and privacy.
4. Operate without establishing with customers a clear understanding of what may be expected and what may not be expected from the service offered.
5. Operate without informing customers of this policy or providing a way to be heard for persons who believe that they have not been accorded a reasonable interpretation of their rights under this policy.

Cyber security issues are a major concern in compliance with point 2. The city backs up files on a daily basis to avoid more common hacking attempts. Limitations have been placed on what websites can be accessed. Both the city manager and IT analyst are members of InfraGard to better understand the risks involved.

POLICY TYPE: EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS
POLICY TITLE: TREATMENT OF STAFF

With respect to the treatment of paid and volunteer staff, the City Manager shall not cause or allow conditions that are unfair, undignified, disorganized, or unclear.

The City Manager will not

1. Operate without written personnel rules that (a) clarify rules for staff, (b) provide for effective handling of grievances, and (c) protect against wrongful conditions, such as nepotism and grossly preferential treatment for personal reasons.
2. Retaliate against any staff member for non-disruptive expression of dissent.

3. Allow staff to be unaware of City Manager's interpretations of their protections under this policy.
4. Allow staff to be unprepared to deal with emergency situations.

The city maintains current personnel policy and orientation handbook. City operations are in compliance with the treatment of staff policy. Kelly Cooper works well with staff to ensure policies are followed. Staff recently completed supervisory and leadership training. Succession planning is underway for public works, fire, and police.

POLICY TYPE: EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS
POLICY TITLE: EMERGENCY CITY MANAGER SUCCESSION

In order to protect the Council from sudden loss of the City Manager Services, the City Manager shall not permit there to be less than one other person familiar enough with Council and City Manager issues and procedures to be able to maintain organization services.

Kelly Cooper is the most informed of staff members. Rachel Roberts is working closely with me on Village Creek and the salvage yards. The department heads collectively are aware of on-going activities and projects, and I have been more attentive to this in staff meetings. Krystal Crump is providing excellent support insofar as city finances are concerned. Jack Thompson (EDC & Chamber) is familiar with the business development activities.



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: MONITORING INFORMATION - C.

I. Subject:

Ends Review - Balanced Scorecard

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Reports are attached for review.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

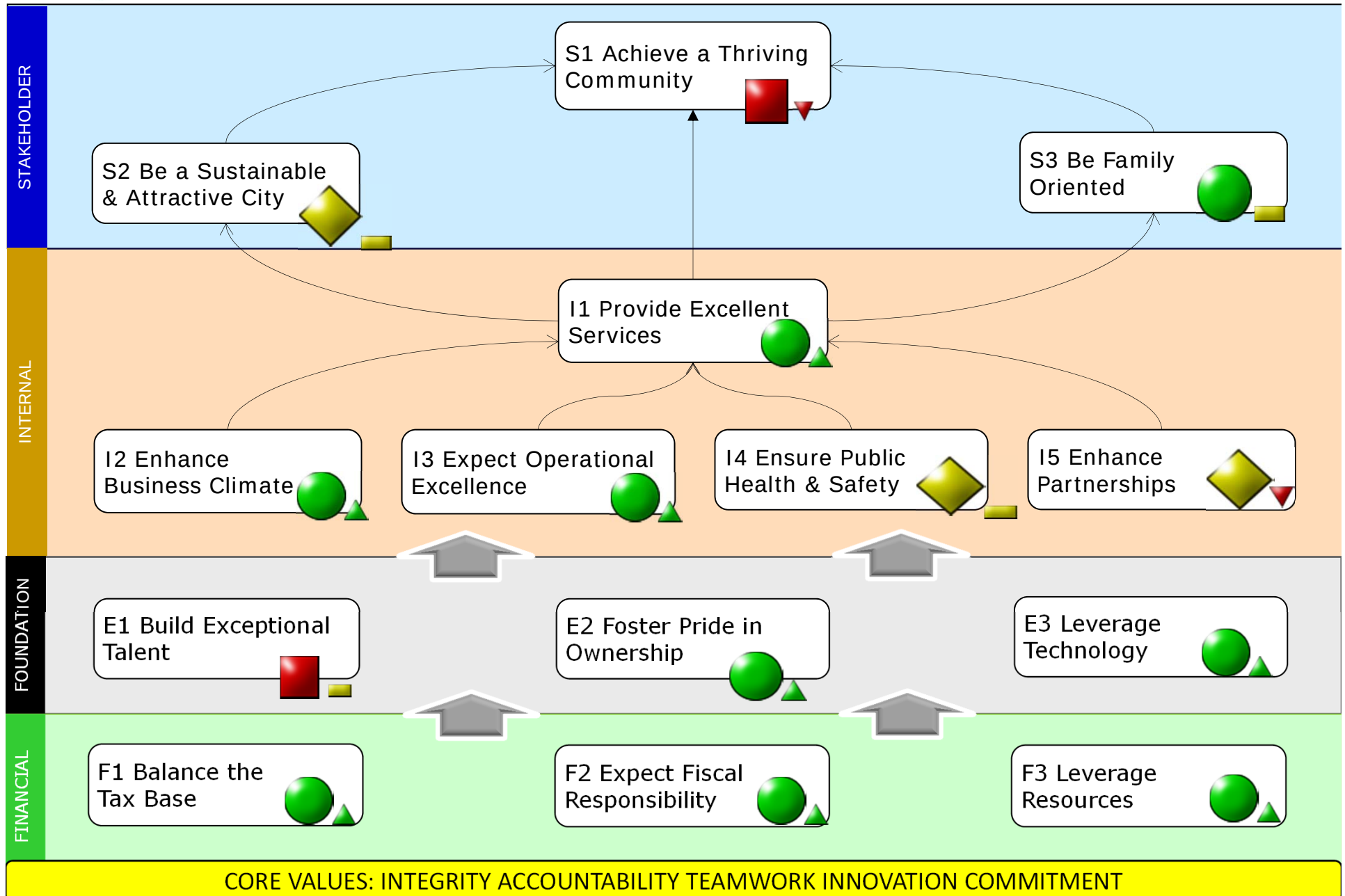
V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Balanced Scorecard - May	Balanced Scorecard.pdf
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Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT) - A.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of minutes from May 14, 2016 budget planning workshop

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Please see the attached minutes for your approval.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	City Council Budget Planning Workshop Minutes - May 14, 2016	5-14-16 Budget Workshop.pdf
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**KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
PLANNING WORKSHOP
May 14, 2016
8:00 AM**

**KENNEDALE CHAMBER BUILDING
205 West Kennedale Parkway**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Frank Fernandez, Brian Johnson , Kelly Turner, Liz Carrington, Charles Overstreet, Michael Walker

Staff Present: Bob Hart, Facilitator Mike Conduff

III. WORK SESSION

A. Discussion on Governance Practices

City Council discussed the current governance policies.

B. Discussion to set priorities for FY 2016-17 Annual Operating Plan

City Council and staff discussed and set priorities for the upcoming FY 2016-17 annual operating budget.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Brian Johnson, Mayor

Leslie Galloway, City Secretary



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT) - B.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of minutes from May 16, 2016 Election Business meeting

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Please see the attached minutes for your approval.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	City Council Election Business Meeting Minutes - May 16, 2016	5-16-16 Election.pdf
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KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
ELECTION BUSINESS
May 16, 2016
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE
SPECIAL SESSION - 5:15 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m.

Present: Frank Fernandez, Brian Johnson , Kelly Turner, Liz Carrington, Charles Overstreet

Absent: Michael Walker

II. ELECTION BUSINESS

A. Oath of Office for Brian Johnson, Mayor, 2016-2018 term

B. Oath of Office for Liz Carrington, City Council Place 2, 2016-2018 term

C. Oath of Office for Kelly Turner, City Council Place 4, 2016-2018 term

On March 21, 2016 Council approved the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the May 7, 2016 general election; therefore, declaring candidates elected. City Secretary Leslie Galloway administered the Oath of Office to:

Mayor, Brian Johnson

Place 2 Councilwoman, Liz Carrington

Place 4 Councilman, M. Kelly Turner

All documentation was signed, attested and notarized.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To adjourn the May 16, 2016 special meeting. **Action** Adjourn, **Moved By** Kelly Turner, **Seconded By** Frank Fernandez.

Motion passed Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Brian Johnson, Mayor

Leslie Galloway, City Secretary



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT) - C.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of minutes from May 16, 2016 regular meeting

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Please see the attached minutes for your approval.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	City Council Meeting Minutes - May 16, 2016	5-16-16.pdf
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KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

May 16, 2016

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE

WORK SESSION - 5:30 PM

REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. WORK SESSION

***NOTE: Pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the work session or the regular session to discuss posted executive session items or to seek legal advice from the City Attorney on any item posted on the agenda.**

A. Joint meeting with the Parks and Recreation Board and Planning and Zoning Commission to discuss proposed Parks Master Plan

A joint meeting with the Parks and Recreation Board, the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council was held to discuss the purposed Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan.

Members present: Azam Shiakh, Jeff Nevarez, Dylan Black, David Deaver, Mike Walker, Kelly Turner, Frank Fernandez, Brian Johnson, Charles Overstreet, Carolyn Williamson, Ernest Harvey, Stephen Brim, Harry Browne, Liz Carrington, and Jeff Whitaker.

Street Superintendent Larry Hoover provided a presentation of the purposed Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. The group collectively discussed the plan recommendations, providing input concerning amenities and community needs; funding and grant opportunities, and possibly getting feedback from a younger group, such as the Youth Advisory Council (YAC).

City Manager Bob Hart stated that City Council will hold a public hearing and consider approval of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan at the next City Council meeting scheduled for June 27.

B. Discussion of items on regular agenda

No items were discussed at this time.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Johnson recessed into executive session at 6:38 p.m.

A. The City Council may meet in closed session at any time during the work session or the regular session, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code for consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct may conflict with the Open Meetings Act, including discussion on any item posted on the agenda.

B. The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for the following:

1. 108 New Hope Road
2. 6900 Kennedale Parkway
3. 6727 Hudson Village Creek

IV. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION, AND TAKE ACTION NECESSARY PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NEEDED

Mayor Johnson reconvened into open session at 6:45 p.m.
No action required.

V. REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Johnson opened the regular session at 7:00 p.m.

VI. ROLL CALL

Present: Frank Fernandez, Brian Johnson , Kelly Turner, Liz Carrington, Charles Overstreet, Michael Walker

Absent: None

VII. INVOCATION

Invocation provided by Greg Adams

VIII. UNITED STATES PLEDGE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

"Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State under God; One and Indivisible."

IX. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Proclamation presentation in recognition of the Kennedale High School Lady Kats Soccer Team
- B. Proclamation presentation in recognition of Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month
- C. Presentation of certificates of appreciation to the 2015-2016 Youth Advisory Council

Mayor Pro-Tem Kelly Turner read aloud a proclamation presented to the Kennedale High School Lady Kats Soccer Team in recognition of the Team's Class 4A State Champion Title for the second year in a row. Mayor Johnson presented each player a proclamation certificate. Councilman Walker added that out of the 24 all-district players, 21 were from Kennedale; and 3

team members made the all-star team.

Mayor Johnson read aloud a proclamation in recognition of Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and presented it to the represented group.

Mayor Johnson read aloud a proclamation in recognition of Gun Violence Awareness Day and presented it to CREDO representative Sandy Mata.

Mayor Johnson and Mayor Pro-Tem Turner recognized members of the 2015-2016 Youth Advisory Council for their service and presented each member with certificates of appreciation.

X. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM

At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

Mayor Johnson opened the Citizens Forum and requested that everyone stay on topic and be as brief as possible, due to the number of people signed up to speak.

Vinita Thomas, 412 W 3rd Street, spoke in opposition of the water rate increase. She reviewed the cost of her water consumption verses the actual total cost of her latest water bill. She stated that at last month's meeting there was no mention of repairing the infrastructure in Old Town; adding that renaming the area does not fix the problems that exist. She reference a standing water/drainage issue next to her property that she has complained about for years, noting that she feels Council does not represent all areas of the city.

Jeremy Serrado, 517 Corry A. Edwards Drive, spoke in opposition of the water rate increase. He stated that he was here to add another voice to the concerns over the water rate increase. He added that he has a family of five and makes \$11.50 a hour; noting that the water increase has placed a hardship on his family. He requested that if there is anything that Council can do to help; please do so.

Sandy Mata, 1209 Vera Lane, spoke in opposition of the water rate increase. She stated that her water bill was much higher than her electric bill. She added that she lives by herself and her base rate is the same as that of a family; she stated that she does not understand the structuring. She encouraged Council to revisit the structure of the increase and to come up with a better way.

Gail Uranga, 904 Bell Oak Drive, spoke in opposition of the water rate increase. She respectfully requests that City Council reconsider the new water rates; stating that the base rate increase is unreasonable. She said that they moved to Kennedale because it was a retiree-friendly, growing community. She added that when their property taxes went up this year, she learned that Kennedale is one of 15 cities in the metroplex that does not offer a tax ceiling for residents over 65; she also requested that Council look at the over 65 tax exemption to provide some relief to its seniors.

John Hivale, 418 Coker Valley Drive, spoke in opposition of the water rate increase. He stated that he would like to pose several questions to Council. 1. Why were there no town hall meetings advertised to discuss the water rate increase? 2. It is his understanding that six residents were on the Committee that decided to raise the rates. When this was being discussed, did the Committee question what pain and hurt this increase will cause residents? 3. Why do I have to be pitted against the Council as a resident? We're all in this together. Continuing, he stated that he considers this decision to be inconsiderate, irresponsible, and reckless because no protocol was

followed. 4. He stated that he went to the city and pursued the point of how to get on the agenda and requested the material that was given to the six people on the water committee; and how they came up with the numbers? He was told to get the information that he needed, he had to fill out a Public Information Request; which he did. Additionally, he added that someone said that he did not fill out the details needed to get on the agenda. He was later told to get with the Mayor. He noted that the proclamation about gun violence wasn't on the agenda, but she spoke; so he questioned why he could not get on the agenda to speak. In closing, he stated that this should have been publicized because it affects 7,000 residents; and it should have been publicized more than events are. He stated that he still doesn't know what the processes are; he has no data and has requested such. He feels there is a better plan; and that the increases could have been tiered or staggered.

XI. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

In addition to any specific matters listed below, the city council may receive a report about items of community interest, including but not limited to recognition of individual officials, citizens or departments, information regarding holiday schedules, upcoming or attended events, etc.

A. Updates from City Council

Liz Carrington stated that UTA did a great presentation on the north end of town near Village Creek. She added that they did the study for free which saved the city around \$500,000 and would like to see more citizen engagement on these projects.

Kelly Turner provided citizens in attendance an overview of the form of governance that is practiced in Kennedale, noting that when residents come to them with a problem, they take that information back to the City Manager. He added that Council does not go around city management when it's under staff purview; therefore, if you have been contacted by city staff, that's how we reach out. Council Turner listed all the ways that staff puts out information. He continued with his activities; stating that he attended the Emergency Preparedness Planning Committee and the Regional Emergency Planning Advisory Committee meetings. He noted that later this year, they will spend \$800,000 for scenarios to prepare the Metroplex for disasters, which is funded through a grant by the state. Additionally, they received around \$1 million to go to organizations that put facilities and equipment in place to prepare for tornadoes.

Frank Fernandez stated that by law they cannot answer during the Citizens Forum. However, he assured the citizens that he was always open to talking with them. He added that the biggest problem Council faces is how to get the word out on what is going on in the city. He noted that at 90 percent of the Council meetings, it is only council and staff in attendance; he encouraged people to come out and get involved.

B. Updates from the Mayor

Mayor Johnson stated that he attended three transportation meetings this past week. One with Arlington concerning the bridge on Sublett Road; one regarding the I-20/820 interchange, which is a \$1.4 billion project; and one with UTA concerning the master plan for Village Creek. He also reminded citizens that most of these meetings are opened to the public and encouraged them to attend and provide input for these very important projects.

C. Updates from the City Manager

1. Bilingual Book Grant - Amanda King
2. Dollar General Summer Reading Grant
3. Firefighter Safety Grant

City Manager Bob Hart stated that Library staff was notified that they received two grants. One from the Bilingual Book Grant program and the other, from Dollar General for the Summer Reading Program. He added that the Fire Department received a \$10,000 grant for Firefighter Safety. Bob reminded everyone that the June Council Meeting was moved to June 27.

XII. MONITORING INFORMATION

- A. Monthly Financials - April 2016
- B. Executive Limitations
- C. Ends Review - Balanced Scorecard

Monitoring information updates are in the agenda packet for review.

XIII. INCIDENTAL ITEMS

XIV. REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT)

All matters listed under incidental items (consent) have been previously discussed, require little or no deliberation, or are considered to be routine by the council. If discussion is desired, then an item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- A. Consider approval of minutes from April 18, 2016 meeting
- B. Consider approval of tax collection contract with Tarrant County
- C. Consider adopting Resolution 484, amending authorized representatives of TEXPOOL local government investment pool
- D. Consider adopting Resolution 485, amending authorized representatives of Texas short term asset reserve program (TEXSTAR) local government investment pool
- E. Consider adopting Resolution 486, amending authorized representatives of Texas Term/Texas Daily local government investment pool
- F. Consider approval of a seizure fund expenditure.
- G. Consider ratifying an agreement with Kennedale Seniors, LTD to dedicate public right-of-way through Sonora Park
- H. Consider approval of an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County for the construction of Link Street

Motion To approve all required approval Items on (Consent) agenda. **Action** Approve, **Moved By** Kelly Turner, **Seconded By** Frank Fernandez.
Motion passed Unanimously

XV. DECISION ITEMS

A. Consider approval of Resolution 487 adopting an order canvassing the results of the May 7, 2016 charter election and declaring the adoption of charter amendments

Communications Coordinator and City Secretary, Leslie Galloway read aloud the official election return, noting that the incumbents were filed as unopposed and are hereby considered re-elected to office.

She continued, stating that seven purposed amendments to the City of Kennedale's Home Rule Charter appeared on the May 7, 2016 Special Election ballot. She read aloud the certified cumulative returns for the election canvass. In closing, she stated that by making a motion to approve Resolution 487, Council is acknowledging the receipt of the certification of official election returns and approving their recording in the City's election register.

Mayor Johnson noted that 152 people voted at the Charter Amendment Election; which was only 3 percent of the eligible voters. He encouraged people to get out and vote.

Motion To approve Resolution 487 declaring the Special Election for Charter Amendments adopted. **Action** Approve, **Moved By** Charles Overstreet, **Seconded By** Michael Walker.

Motion passed Unanimously

B. Consider approval of Ordinance 593 approving a negotiated settlement between Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC) and Atmos Energy Corporation

City Manager Bob Hart stated that the City of Kennedale, along with many other cities throughout the state participate in the Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC). They are negotiating the requested rate increase by Atmos Energy Corporation. To be eligible for the negotiated rate, cities are required to adopt an Ordinance approving the lower negotiated rate. Councilman Turner questioned if this secures the lower rate for the City of Kennedale; Bob Hart stated it did.

Motion To approve Ordinance 593 approving the settlement with Atmos Energy Corporation. **Action** Approve, **Moved By** Frank Fernandez, **Seconded By** Michael Walker.

Motion passed Unanimously

C. Interview (to be held in Jury Room) for potential candidate for Place 3 vacancy on the Library Advisory Board

City Council interviewed Stan Seat for the Place 3 vacancy on the Library Advisory Board.

D. Interviews (to be held in Jury Room) for Youth Advisory Council candidates

City Council interviewed returning members Carson Ham, Lexi Neifert, Katie Randolph; and new applicants Kendall Barnes, Leanne Blind, Andrew Flanagan, Luke Michener, Sydney Michener, Leland Murphy, Tiffany Pavey, Haley Smith, and Claudia Vilchez for the 2016-17 Youth Advisory Council.

E. City Council to make appointments (to be held in Council Chambers) to the 2016-17 Youth Advisory Council and Place 3 to the Library Advisory Board

Motion To appoint returning members Carson Ham, Lexi Neifert, Katie Randolph; and new members Kendall Barnes, Leanne Blind, Andrew Flanagan, Luke Michener, Sydney Michener, Leland Murphy, Tiffany Pavey, Haley Smith, and Claudia Vilchez to the 2016-17 Youth Advisory Council. **Action** Approve, **Moved By** Kelly Turner, **Seconded By** Liz Carrington.
Motion passed Unanimously

Motion To appoint Stan Seat to Place 3 on the Library Advisory Board. **Action** Approve, **Moved By** Kelly Turner, **Seconded By** Liz Carrington.
Motion passed Unanimously

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To adjourn. **Action** Adjourn, **Moved By** Kelly Turner, **Seconded By** Liz Carrington.
Motion passed Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Brian Johnson, Mayor

Leslie Galloway, City Secretary



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS (CONSENT) - D.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of the NCTCOG share purchasing co-op

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

NCTCOG has created a purchasing co-op that will provide opportunities to use their contracts to obtain better pricing on contracts they bid out.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	NCTCOG Interlocal Agreement for North Texas Share	NCTCOG Interlocal Agreement SHARE.pdf
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MASTER INTERLOCAL PURCHASING AGREEMENT

THIS MASTER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT (“ILA”), made and entered into pursuant to the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code (the “Act”), by and between the North Central Texas Council of Governments, hereinafter referred to as “NCTCOG,” having its principal place of business at 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011, and City of Kennedale, a local government, a state agency, or a non-profit corporation created and operated to provide one or more governmental functions and services, hereinafter referred to as “Participant,” having its principal place of business at 405 Municipal Dr. Kennedale, Texas 76060

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, NCTCOG is authorized to contract with eligible entities to perform governmental functions and services, including the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, in reliance on such authority, NCTCOG has instituted a cooperative purchasing program under which it contracts with eligible entities under the Act; and

WHEREAS, Participant has represented that it is an eligible entity under the Act, that it is authorized to enter into this Agreement on 06/27/2016 (Date), and that it desires to contract with NCTCOG on the terms set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, NCTCOG and the Participant do hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1: LEGAL AUTHORITY

The Participant represents and warrants to NCTCOG that (1) it is eligible to contract with NCTCOG under the Act for the purposes recited herein because it is one of the following: a local government, as defined in the Act (a county, a municipality, a special district, or other political subdivision of the State of Texas or any other state, or a combination of two or more of those entities, a state agency (an agency of the State of Texas as defined in Section 771.002 of the Texas Government Code, or a similar agency of another state), or a non-profit corporation created and operated to provide one or more governmental functions and services, and (2) it possesses adequate legal authority to enter into this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2: SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Participant appoints NCTCOG its true and lawful purchasing agent for the purchase of certain products and services (“Products” or “Services”) through the **North Texas SHARE** program. Participant will access the Program through **www.NorthTexasSHARE.org**. All purchases under this Agreement shall comply with applicable Texas competitive bidding statutes as well as the specifications, contract terms and pricing applicable to such purchases. NCTCOG may also serve as a coordinating agent to administer the use of eligible Participant contracts to other participants of North Texas SHARE. The eligibility of such contracts will be determined by incorporation of coordinating agent authorization in Participant’s solicitation documents. Title to all products purchased under the North Texas SHARE program shall be held by Participant unless otherwise agreed. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Participant from purchasing Products and/or Services offered in the North Texas SHARE program directly from the vendor/supplier.

ARTICLE 3: PAYMENTS

Upon delivery of goods or services purchased and presentation of a properly documented invoice, the Participant shall promptly, and in any case within thirty (30) days, pay the contracted provider the full amount of the invoice. All payments for goods or services will be made from current revenues available to the paying party. In no event shall NCTCOG have any financial liability to the Participant for any goods or services Participant purchases through the North Texas SHARE program.

ARTICLE 4: PERFORMANCE PERIOD

This Agreement shall be effective when signed by the last party whose signing makes the Agreement fully executed and will remain in full force and effect for one (1) year. This Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one-year terms unless sooner terminated in accordance with Article 6 below. Any modification of this Agreement must comply with the requirements of Article 5 below.

ARTICLE 5: CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

This Agreement may be amended only by a written amendment executed by both parties, except that any alternations, additions, or deletions to the terms of this Agreement which are required by changes in Federal and State law or regulations are automatically incorporated into this Agreement without written amendment hereto and shall become effective on the date designated by such law or regulation. NCTCOG reserves the right from time to time to make changes in the scope of products and services offered through the North Texas SHARE program.

ARTICLE 6: TERMINATION PROCEDURES

NCTCOG or the Participant may cancel this Agreement for any reason and at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice by certified mail to the other party to this Agreement. The obligation of the Participant to pay for any Service and/or Products purchased under this Agreement, shall survive such cancellation, as well as any other Participant costs incurred prior to the effective date of the cancellation.

ARTICLE 7: APPLICABLE LAWS

NCTCOG and the Participant agree to conduct all activities under this Agreement in accordance with all applicable rules, regulations, and ordinances and laws in effect or promulgated during the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8: DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The parties to this Agreement agree to the extent possible and not in contravention of any applicable state or federal law or procedure established for dispute resolution, to attempt to resolve any dispute between them regarding this Agreement informally through voluntary mediation, arbitration or any other local dispute mediation process before resorting to litigation.

ARTICLE 9: MISCELLANEOUS

- a. This Agreement has been made under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas. Venue and jurisdiction of any suit or cause of action arising under, or in connection with, this Agreement shall lie exclusively in Tarrant County, Texas.
- b. The persons executing this Agreement hereby represent that they have authorization to sign on behalf of their respective entities.
- c. This Agreement and the rights and obligations contained herein may not be assigned by either party without the prior written approval of the other party to this Agreement.

- d. All parties agree that should any provision of this Agreement be determined to be invalid or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect any other term of this Agreement, which shall continue in full force and effect.
- e. To the extent that either party to this Agreement shall be wholly or partially prevented from the performance within the term specified of any obligation or duty placed on such party by reason of or through strikes, stoppage of labor, riot, fire, flood, acts of war, insurrection, accident, order of any court, act of God, or specific cause reasonably beyond the party's control and not attributable to its neglect or nonfeasance, in such event, the time for the performance of such obligation or duty shall be suspended until such disability to perform is removed; provided, however, force majeure shall not excuse an obligation solely to pay funds.
- f. This Agreement and any attachments/addendums, as provided herein, constitute the complete agreement between the parties hereto, and supersede any and all oral and written agreements between the parties relating to matters herein.

THIS INSTRUMENT HAS BEEN EXECUTED IN TWO ORIGINALS BY THE PARTIES HERETO AS FOLLOWS:

North Central Texas Council of Governments

North Texas SHARE

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011

NCTCOG Executive Director or Designee

Signature of Executive Director or Designee

Date

City of Kennedale

Name of Participant Agency

405 Municipal Drive

Mailing Address

Kennedale Texas 76060

City

State

Zip

Name and Title of Authorized Official or Designee

Signature

Date



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - A.

I. Subject:

Selection of a Mayor Pro-Tem

II. Originated by:

Kathy Moore, Deputy City Secretary

III. Summary:

At this time the Council will appoint a member to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:



STAFF REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - B.

I. Subject:

CASE # PZ 16-06 Public hearing and consideration of Ordinance 598 approval regarding a request by CHC Development for an amendment to the concept plan for the Swiney Estates Planned Development District. The Swiney Estates Planned Development District is generally located west of Bowman Springs Rd, south of Bolen Rd, east of a tributary of Village Creek, and north of Pennsylvania Ave.

1. Staff presentation
2. Applicant presentation
3. Public hearing
4. Applicant response
5. Staff response and summary
6. Action by the City Council

II. Originated by:

Rachel Roberts, City Planner

III. Summary:

Request: amend concept plan for the Swiney Estates planned development district

Applicant: CHC Development

Location of Planned Development District: Bowman Springs Rd near Winding Creek subdivision and Southwest Nature Preserve

Staff recommendation: approve

Planning & Zoning Commission recommendation: approve

Background and overview.

The city approved the Swiney Estates planned development district in January. Since that time, CHC Development has been working on preliminary engineering and site design as part of preparing an application for a preliminary plat. During the engineering process, the CHC team discovered it would be possible to move the entrance from the east side of the project to the south side. This would allow for a gentler grade for the roads and would also allow for lower retaining walls between lots.

The new concept plan would require the public entry road to cross (future) city property. The future city property is not proposed to be rezoned to be included in the PD, but it would be included in the platting process.

Staff review.

The proposed new concept plan is preferred by city staff. It allows for a more generous open space buffer along the perimeter of the neighborhood and also allows for shorter retaining walls on the

individual lots and fewer retaining walls over all. These retaining walls will be the responsibility of each home owner to maintain, and lower walls will be easier for the home owners to keep in good repair. In addition, the road profiles on the lower grade would also allow for a more consistent utility line installation.

The proposed concept plan does not conflict with the comprehensive land use plan and meets the lot requirements of the planned development district ordinance. The proposed new street would line up with existing Pennsylvania Avenue; the streets department has no concerns about this new alignment.

Staff recommendation.

Staff recommends approval.

Staff received one phone call from a neighboring property owner who had questions about the request, but the property owner did not express an opinion either for or against the request.

Action by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

After holding a public hearing (no one from the public attended), the Planning & Zoning Commission voted to recommend approval.

IV. Notification:

V. Fiscal Impact Summary:

VI. Legal Impact:

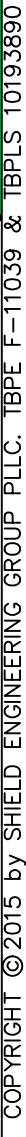
VII. Recommendation:

Approve

VIII. Alternative Actions:

IX. Attachments:

1.	Swiney Estates revised concept plan	Swiney Estates revised concept 5-12-2016.pdf
2.	O598	PZ 16-06 ordinance Amend PD concept plan.pdf



ORDINANCE NO 598

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 17 OF THE KENNEDALE CITY CODE (1991), AS AMENDED, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS BY AMENDING ORINANCE 587 ESTABLISHING THE SWINEY ESTATES PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BY AMENDING THE CONCEPT PLAN; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 211 of the Local Government Code, the City has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance and map regulating the location and use of buildings, other structures and land for business, industrial, residential or other purposes, for the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, morals and general welfare, all in accordance with a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, a change in the zoning classification of the property described below was approved by Ordinance 587 on January 18, 2016, which established the Swiney Estates Planned Development District; and

WHEREAS, a concept plan was approved as an Exhibit to Ordinance 587, and that concept plan is no longer feasible or practicable due to site topography, the location and size of floodplain on the property, and other existing development constraints, and CHC Development has requested a revised concept plan be approved to address those constraints; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Kennedale, Texas held a public hearing on May 19, 2016, and the City Council of the City of Kennedale, Texas held a public hearing on June 27, 2016, with respect to the amendments described herein; and

Whereas, the City has complied with all requirements of Chapter 211 of the Local Government Code, Section 17-429 of the Zoning Ordinance, and all other laws dealing with notice, publication, and procedural requirements for the approval of amending the Schedule of Uses under Section 17-421 of the Kennedale City Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, THAT:

SECTION 1.

The Swiney Estates Planned Development District concept plan is hereby amended as follows:

See Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2.

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kennedale, Texas (1991), as amended, except when the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such code, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such code are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clause, and phrases of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase.

SECTION 4.

Any person, firm, or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00). Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 5.

All rights and remedies of the City of Kennedale are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any ordinances governing zoning that have accrued at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

SECTION 6.

The City Secretary of the City of Kennedale is hereby directed to publish in the official newspaper of the City of Kennedale the caption, Section 1, the penalty clause, the publication clause, and the effective date clause of this ordinance as provided by Section 3.10 of the Charter of the City of Kennedale.

SECTION 7.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 27th DAY OF JUNE 2016.

BRIAN JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LESLIE GALLOWAY, CITY SECRETARY

EFFECTIVE: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

WAYNE OLSON, CITY ATTORNEY

Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - C.

I. Subject:

Public Hearing and consider approval of Ordinance 601 adopting the Kennedale 2016-2026 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan

1. Staff Presentation
2. Public Hearing
3. Staff response and summary
4. Action by Council

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Larry Hoover, Streets/Parks Superintendent will provide a power point presentation to review the proposed Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan prepared by the UTA Graduate Planning Class. The Parks and Recreation Board and the Youth Advisory Board have both reviewed and approved the Master Plan.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan Presentation	Kennedale Parks-Rec Presentation LG 2016.pdf
2.	Ordinance 601	Ordinance 601.docx
3.	Exhibit "A" - Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan	Kennedale Parks Master Plan FINAL - 03-07-2016.docx



OVERVIEW

Primary Functions of Master Plan

- Assess the current state of Kennedale's parks, recreation, and open space system
- Define needs and deficiencies in the system
- Establish goals and priorities for improving the system
- Identify changing trends locally, regionally and nationally
- Identify resident's needs and opinions



OVERVIEW

- Project Summary
- Vision Statement
- Community Profile
- Inventory of Current Parks and Facilities
- Needs Assessment
- Recommendations
- Implementations and Actions
- Questions and Answers





VISION STATEMENT

Provide a quality, safe, enjoyable and accessible green network system



"You're here, your home –
 a serene environment to engage
 the senses and build relations – to preserve,
 conserve and inspire our community."

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Population, Household, and Employment History and Forecast 1970-2030

	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020*	2030*
Population	3076	2594	4096	5381	6763	10720	13412
Household	966	971	1623	2089	2617	4143	5176
Employment*				2720	3160	3527	3527

Sources: 1970-1990 data provided by U.S Census Bureau. *2000, 2020-2030 data provided by the NCTCOG; 2000-2030 Employment data provided by the NCTCOG. **U.S Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

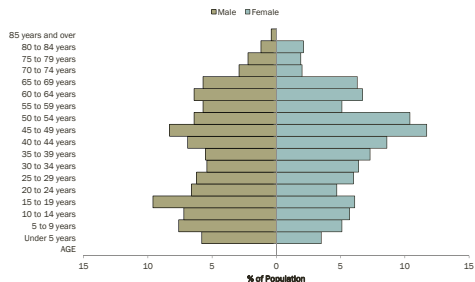


LAND USE ANALYSIS

Category	Counts	Area (Acre)	Percentage
Cemeteries	2	43.48	0.82%
Commercial	107	281.15	5.32%
Communication	1	0.88	0.02%
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COMMUNITY PROFILE

Population by Age and Sex



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INVENTORY

Sonora Park
22 Acre Community Park

INVENTORY

Rodgers Farm Park 3.2 Acre Neighborhood Park



NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Standards in Parks and Recreation

- National Recreation and Park Association
- Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Standards
- Arlington Park, Recreation and Open Space Standards



National Recreation
and Park Association



INVENTORY

TownCenter Park 1.3 Acre Neighborhood Park



NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Park Needs Assessment

Park type	NRPA guidelines (acres per thousand residents)	Arlington standards (acres per thousand residents)	Kenneddale standards (acres per thousand residents)	Existing facilities (acres)	Current demand ¹ (acres)	Current need ² (acres)	Build-out demand ² (acres)	Build-out need ² (acres)
Mini	0.25 - 0.5	N/A	0.25	0	1.9	1.9	4.25	4.25
Neighborhood	1 - 2	1.31	1	6.73	7.6	0.87	17	10.27
Community	3 - 8	3.25	3	26.3	22.8	Met	51	24.7
Regional	5 - 10	3.23	3	0	22.8	22.8	51	51
Linear	N/A	5.1	3	0	22.8	22.8	51	51
Total	10	12.89	10.25	33.03	77.9	44.87	174.25	141.22

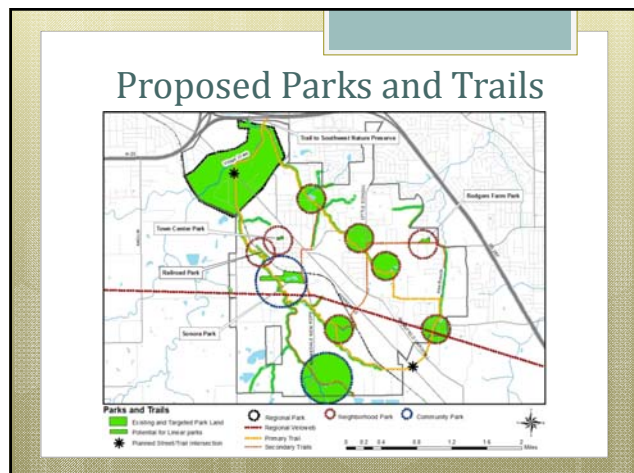
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NEEDS ASSESSMENT									
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1/4 mile running track	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.05	0*	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9
BMX track (standard ABA certified)	N/A	N/A	0.16	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9
Court (badminton)	0.2	N/A	N/A	0.1	0	0.8	0.8	1.7	1.7
Court (basketball, full court)	0.2	0.08	0.91	0.1	0.5*	0.8	0.3	1.7	1.2
Court (basketball, half court)	0.4	N/A	N/A	0.2	1*	1.5	0.5	3.4	2.4
Court (handball)	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Court (horseshoe)	0.15	N/A	N/A	0.05	1	0.4	Met	0.9	Met
Court (multipurpose)	0.1	N/A	N/A	0.1	0*	0.8	0.8	1.7	1.7
Court (racquetball)	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Court (shuffleboard)	0.5	N/A	N/A	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9
Court (tennis)	0.5	0.14	0.97	0.2	0*	1.5	1.5	3.4	3.4
Court (volleyball)	0.2	N/A	0.13	0.05	0*	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9
Court (water)	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.05	1	0.4	Met	0.9	Met
Disc golf course	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.1	1	0.8	Met	1.7	0.7
Dog park	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9
Field (football)	0.05	0.02	N/A	0.01	0*	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2

PRIMARY GOALS	
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RECOMMENDATIONS	
- Inventory existing facilities, programs, and opportunities - Foster programs that encourage both active and passive recreation and community participation - Pedestrian and bike-friendly linkages, including connections to the Regional Veloweb - Preserve and protect the city's natural environment - Economic growth and public health; joint programming - Safety and maintenance of park infrastructure	

PARK SYSTEM

- Provide parkland and a variety of recreation facilities and programs to meet the changing recreational needs and desires of the residents of Kennedale
- Continue to maintain and manage the park system to improve the physical form and image of Kennedale
- Provide safety and security for all parks



STRATEGY

- INTERCONNECTING TRAILS
 - Emergency Call Stations
 - Bridges
 - Trailheads
 - Trail signs
 - Lighting



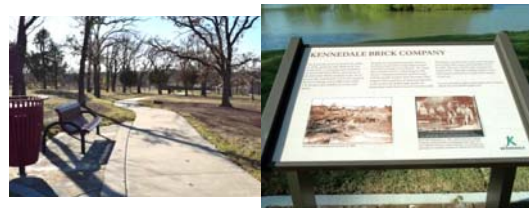
STRATEGY

- LAND ACQUISITION
 - Community Park Expansion of Sonora Park
 - Additional Neighborhood Parks
- DEVELOPMENTS & IMPROVEMENTS
 - ADA
 - Signage
 - Security
 - Park views
 - Lighting



TRAIL DESIGN

- Establish interconnected network of trail systems
- National standards for safety and accessibility
- Design with ADA standards in mind
- Acknowledge the unique history of the city
- Consider safety as the highest priority



Implementation Methods

- Land Acquisitions
- Parkland Dedication Ordinance
- Conservation Easements
- Financing Operations and Maintenance
- Joint-Use Facilities with KISD
- Private-Public Partnerships



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

Splash Park & Play Fountains

- Age-specific play areas: water wall, ground sprays, play structures, water gun, spray cannons, and power geysers
- Re-circulated water with swimming filter and chlorination system to conserve water
- Location: former gravel pits



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

Railroad Historical Park

- All-inclusive park for physically challenged and special population
- ADA standards, including turf playground, sufficient seating, wide walkways, swings, and Braille signs
- Funding from federal grants, private foundations, and community



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

Multi-Use Court Detention Pond

- Detention ponds decrease flooding and erosion
- Full basketball court, soccer field, or roller hockey court surrounded by multi-level seating



Funding and City Policies

■ FUNDING

- Federal
- State
- Local

■ UPDATED CITY POLICIES

- Parkland dedication
- Tree ordinance enforced
- Native landscaping preservation
- Protection of geological interests and native habitats
- Floodplain protection



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ORDINANCE NO. 601

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NEW PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY OF KENNEDALE; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale has previously adopted a Parks Master Plan to guide the acquisition and development of parks, recreation and open spaces within the City; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the entirety of the current Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan to update the information it contains.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

The Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby adopted as the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan for the City of Kennedale.

SECTION 2.

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Kennedale, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed. Any Parks Master Plans previously adopted by the City Council are repealed in their entirety.

SECTION 3.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

SECTION 4.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AN APPROVED ON THIS 27th DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

Mayor Brian Johnson

ATTEST:

City Secretary, Leslie Galloway

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Attorney, Wayne K. Olson



CITY OF KENNEDALE
PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE
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Executive Summary

Parks, green spaces, and recreational opportunities are crucial elements to providing a high standard of living and encouraging the use of alternative modes of transportation by all citizens. The City of Kennedale has seen its population and economy grow since the previous parks master plan was adopted in 2005 and is implementing a new plan in order to accommodate the influx of new residents and businesses. The City of Kennedale's 2016 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan provides a framework for the creation and adaptation of parks and green spaces in order to provide necessary amenities for the future. It is intended to be a guide for the residents of the City as well as for the City Council and staff.

This Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan uses an inclusive approach when setting its goals and is designed to be adaptable to the future changes and demands that the City will experience during the plan's event horizon. The goals of this Master Plan are as follows:

1. Preserve and maintain a viable and balanced open space network
2. Promote a healthy green community
3. Provide leisure opportunities for all ages
4. Expand recreational opportunities in the floodplains of the Trinity River / Village Creek watershed
5. Build and enhance community partnerships
6. Preserve and enhance the City's natural, historical, and cultural resources
7. Improve and ensure park safety and security
8. Ensure that park and open space needs of the City are met currently as well as in the future

The implementation strategy for these goals include:

- a. Land acquisition
- b. Park land dedication ordinance
- c. Conservation easements
- d. Financing and maintenance
- e. Joint use facilities

The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan is an ambitious but achievable vision for Kennedale's community. Through careful planning, management, and citizen participation, this vision has the potential to become a great reality.

Chapter 1: Introduction

Kennedale is a small community in North Texas that is located between two of the largest cities in the region, Dallas and Fort Worth. With the rising influx of new residents to the region and the continued growth of North Texas as a national economic center, Kennedale finds itself in a valuable strategic position to continue its growth. A well-designed and extensive parks system will be a major contributing factor in the coming decade to providing Kennedale with a competitive advantage to the other small towns just outside these large urban centers.

The primary functions of this Master Plan are to assess the current state of Kennedale's parks, recreation, and open space system; define the needs and deficiencies in the system; establish goals and priorities for improving the system; and work toward realizing the vision. In addition to performing these primary functions, the Master Plan also identifies changing trends locally, regionally, and nationally and identifies residents' desires.

Previous Park and Green Areas Master Plan

The former Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan for the City of Kennedale was designed to encompass a ten-year time range (from 2005 to 2015). The plan recommended an increase in developed park land from 3.6 acres for every 1,000 residents to 12 acres for every 1,000 residents by the end of the year 2015. If the entirety of the plan were to be implemented, the level of service in 2005 would have increased three fold by 2015.

The previous master plan outlined the existing conditions of the park system of Kennedale and calculated the needs of the community through a needs assessment. The assessment used a combination of three planning approaches: standard-based, resource-based, and demand-based. One of the greatest strengths of the previous plan was its emphasis on community participation through community surveys and citizen involvement. Moreover, the previous master plan was a remarkable information resource, including the geographical constraints of the park system and the ecological value of the City and floodplains. Consequently, the former master plan has been used as a reference and guide when creating the new master plan. Other remarkable features of the previous master plan are indicated below:

- Promoted active green spaces and explained their economic value
- Limited development in natural open spaces in order to minimize adverse effects on the ecosystem
- Promoted a trail and green belt system along the Village Creek corridor and suggested connecting this creek corridor with neighborhood parks, schools, and public spaces
- Encouraged the local youth sports organizations to aid in the provision of athletic facilities for organized youth baseball and softball

- Considered residents with disabilities and recommended that the entire park system meet the requirements of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Planned to expand Sonora Park from 25 acres to between 40 and 150 acres in area by incorporating undeveloped acreage adjacent to the west end of the park
- Encouraged the City to focus on the acquisition of the Village Creek Corridor from Interstate 20 southwest to the city limits
- Encouraged cooperation with Kennedale Independent School District to allow public use of the various schools' outdoor recreational facilities during non-school hours

Although the previous master plan had several notable features, it also had some limitations. To establish a sustainable and innovative parks system for Kennedale over the next ten years, the following items that were missing in the former master plan have been considered during the planning process of the new master plan:

- A linear park system plan
- Establishment of an environmentally-friendly green community
- Innovative park designs
- Introduction of new plants and trees
- Biking and walking initiatives
- Increased community awareness of the importance of environmental protection



Vision Statement

“You’re here, your home – a serene environment to engage the senses and build relations – to preserve, conserve, and inspire our community.”

As Kennedale progresses towards further growth and expansion, it is important to ensure that the City’s Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan supports the City’s objective to provide a quality, safe, enjoyable, and accessible green network system. This, in turn, encourages a sense of community through the availability of open spaces and recreational activities for its residents. Listed below are the core principles for the development of this Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan:

- Protect Kennedale’s natural and historic value
- Meet the community’s current and future desires and needs for green space
- Better the quality of life for the City’s residents and visitors alike
- Provide opportunities for passive and active recreation
- Establish an enhanced sense of community
- Increase accessibility throughout the City
- Promote health and wellness
- Promote recreational and leisure activities along the riparian corridors and floodplain of the Trinity River and its tributaries
- Integrate natural floodplain areas into the green space network
- Promote a sense of safety
- Establish green areas within neighborhoods
- Promote economic growth opportunities



Chapter 2: Community Profile

Demographic Statistics

The following demographic information provides a snapshot of Kennedale's residents.

Table 1. Population, Household, and Employment History and Forecast 1970 – 2030

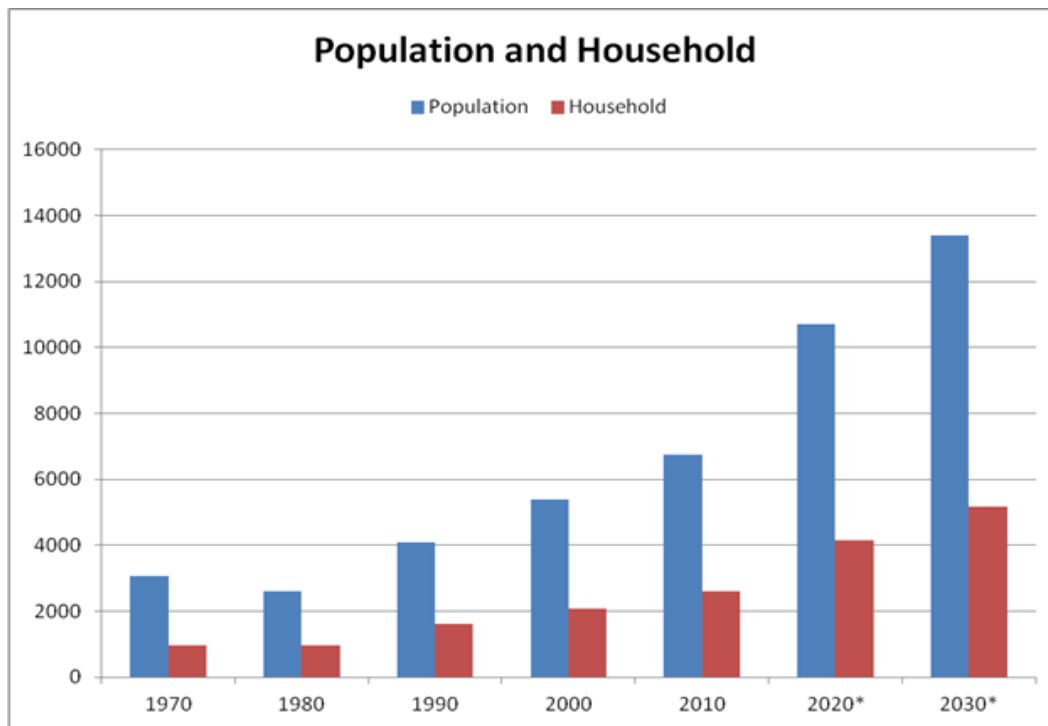
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Population	3076	2594	4096	5381	6763	10,720	13,412
Household	966	971	1623	2089	2617	4143	5176
Employment*				2720	3160	3527	3527

Sources: 1970-1990 data provided by U.S. Census Bureau.

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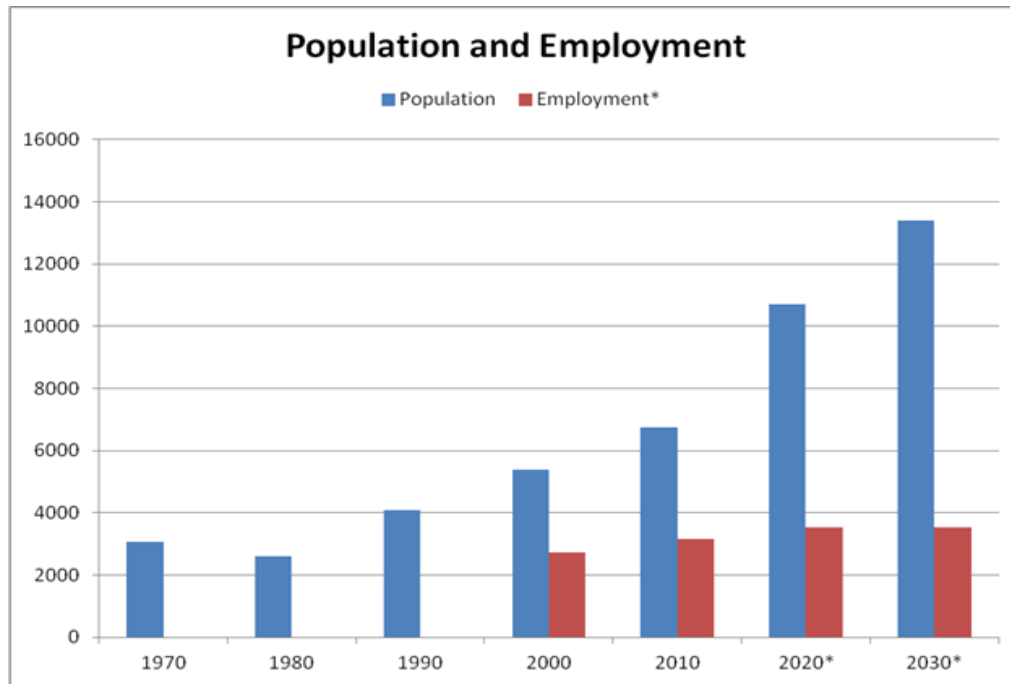
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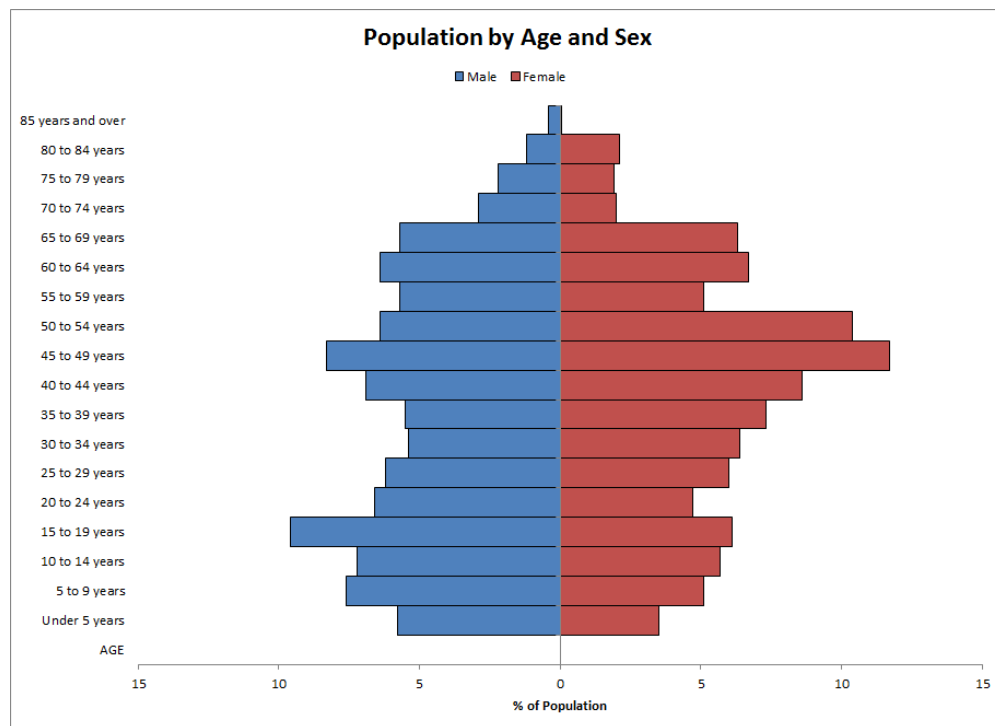
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Figure 3. Population by Age and Sex



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

Kennedale's population has a median age of 40 – 44 years. Based on this and the spike in the population aged 19 years and younger, it can be concluded that many of the City's residents are part of a family unit.

Table 2. Demographic Diversity

Race	Percentage
White	86%
Black or African American	7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%
Asian	3.6%
Filipino	1%
Vietnamese	2.6%
Some other race	0.2%
Two or more races	2.6%
Hispanic or Latino	10.2%*

*Hispanic/Latino is considered an ethnicity, not a race. Therefore, this column does not total 100%.

Table 3. School Enrolment

School Enrolment	
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	Percentage
Nursery school, preschool	3.3%
Kindergarten	7.9%
Elementary: grade 1 to grade 8	36.7%
High school: grade 9 to grade 12	25.5%
College or graduate school	26.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimate

Elementary enrolment, which consists of first through eighth grade, has the highest enrolment in Kennedale. The next highest class of enrolment is college or graduate school. Based on the data provided, parks should meet the needs of an energetic community.

Table 4. Educational Demographics of Residents

Education	Percentage
Less than 9 th grade	4%
9 th to 12 th grade, no diploma	7.6%
High school graduate (incl. equivalency)	26.4%
Some college, no degree	30.6%
Associate's degree	7.2%
Bachelor's degree	16.9%
Graduate or professional degree	7.1%

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Table 5. Occupations of Residents

Occupation	Percentage
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	32%
Service	19%
Sales and Office	27%
Construction, Extraction, & Maintenance	8%
Production, Transportation, & Material Moving	14%

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Table 6. Industries in Kennedale

Industry	Percentage
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	0.4%
Construction	9.5%
Manufacturing	12.4%
Wholesale trade	2.2%
Retail trade	12.2%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	7.9%
Information	0%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	6%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	10.3%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	19.9%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	13%
Other services, except public administration	4.2%
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Land Use Analysis

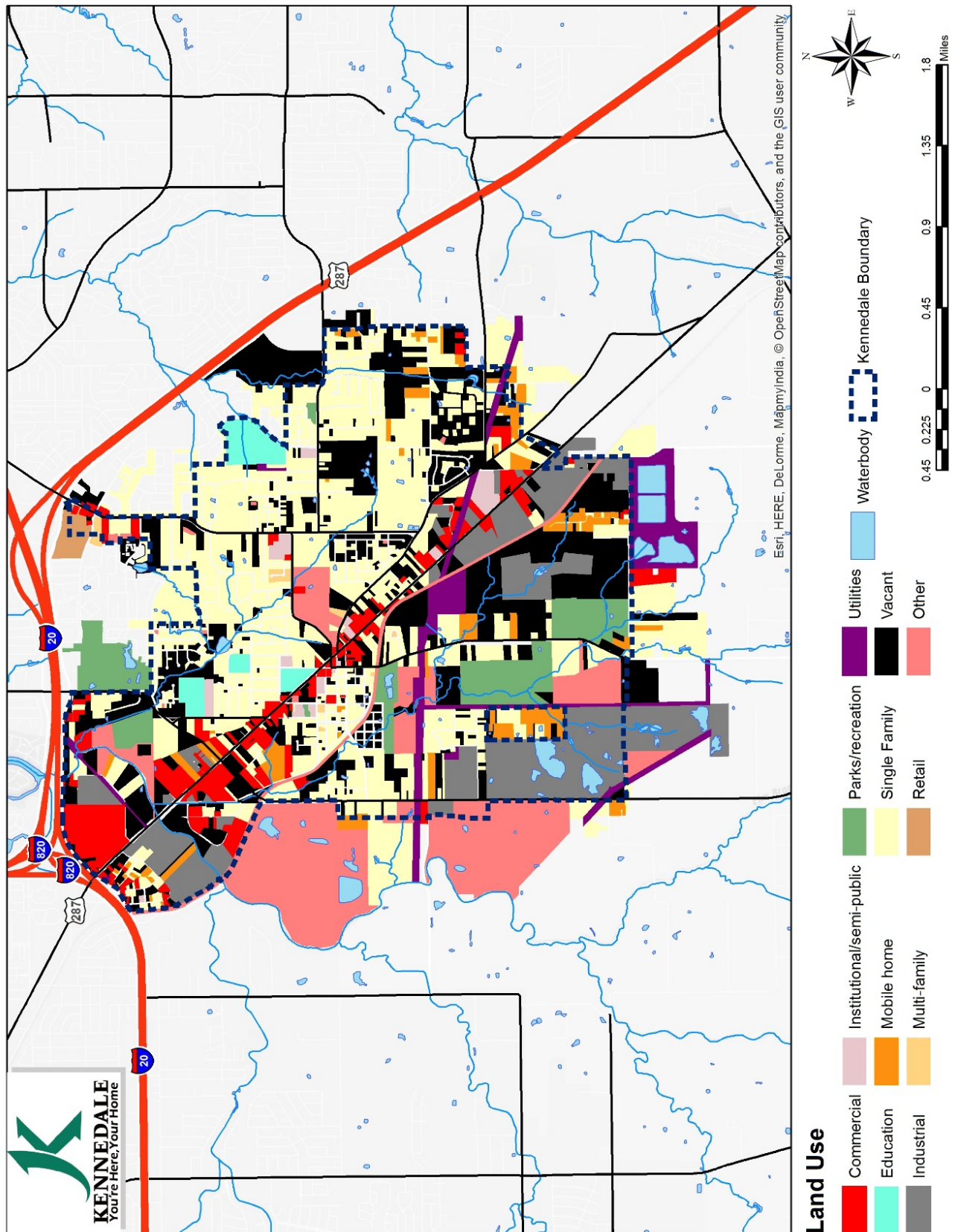
The most dominant land use in the City of Kennedale in 2010 is single-family residential, which constitutes 30 percent of the total area. One of the land use strengths of the City is the availability of vacant lands, with 293 parcels. Another dominant land use is industrial, with about eleven percent of the land area coverage. A complete list of land uses in the City with their parcel count, area, and percentage is provided in Table 7.

Table 7. Land Use Category with Counts and Area

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Figure 4 shows the locations of particular land uses within Kennedale's city limits.

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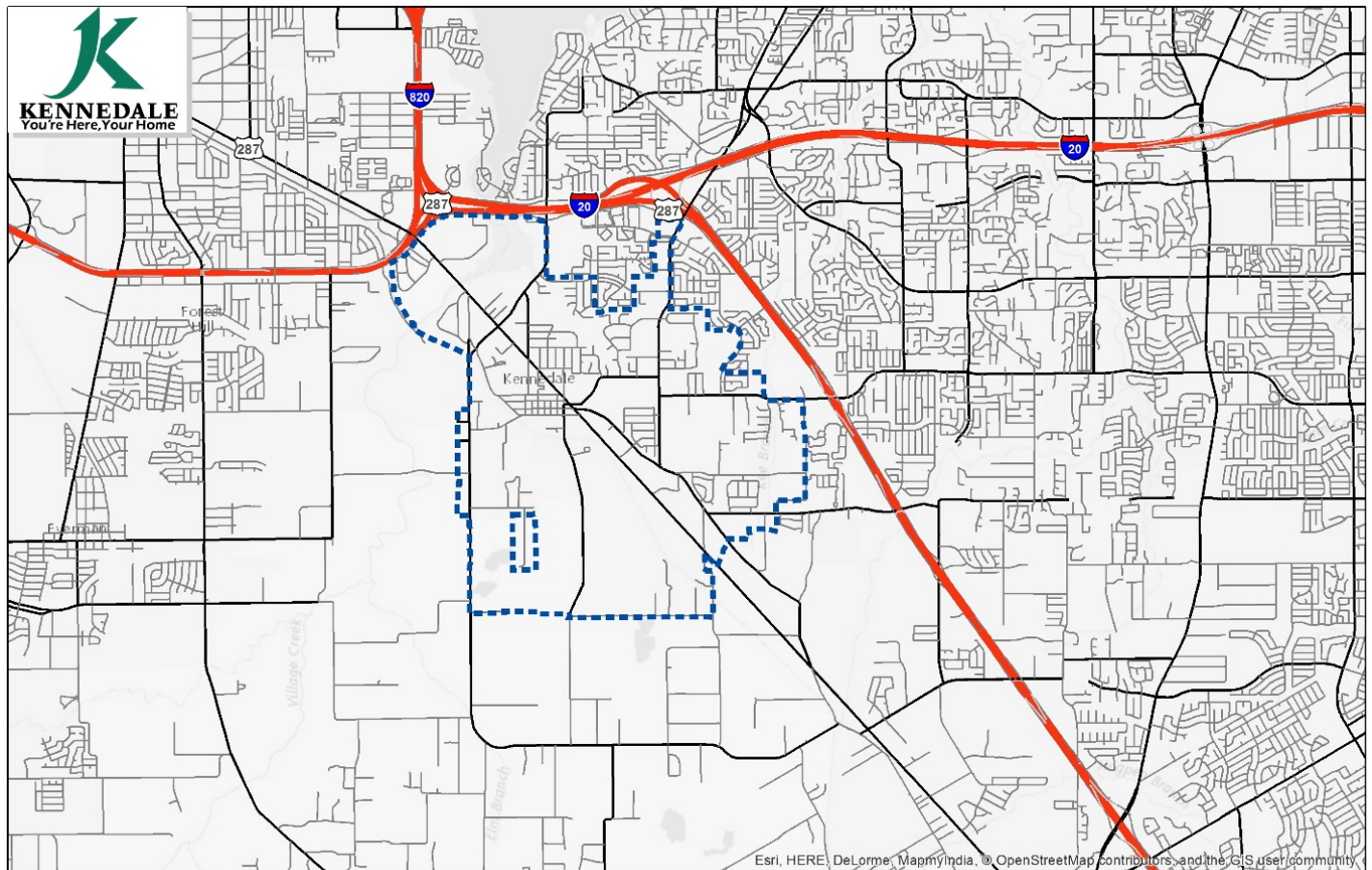


Transportation Analysis

The City of Kennedale is located along the Fort Worth and New Orleans Railway (Union Pacific Railroad) and Mansfield Cardinal Road. Kennedale Parkway (State Highway 287 / SH-287) experiences heavy traffic throughout the day. It is an undivided five lane (four travel lanes and a continuous center turn lane) main arterial. A series of two-lane rural arterials or collectors feeds into the arterial. It runs through the City which results in a high potential to have commercial corridors along it. Moreover, SH-287 connects the City to I-20 in the north, which provides regional connectivity to large cities such as Dallas and Fort Worth. In addition, in areas near the City of Arlington, the roads have an urban avenue character. The racetrack facilities in Kennedale are located along New Hope Road between downtown and Hudson Village Creek Road, and these create traffic congestion on specific event days.

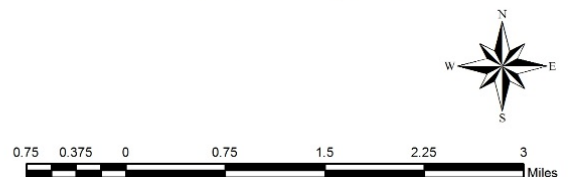
The closest public airport to Kennedale is the Fort Worth Spinks Airport, which is located 14 miles away. Additional airport services are located 29 miles away at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Figure 5. Roadways in and around Kennedale



Transportation

- ▬ Kennedale Boundary
- ▬ HIGHWAYS
- ▬ MAJOR ARTERIAL
- ▬ MINOR ARTERIAL
- ▬ OTHER



Chapter 3: Inventory of Parks and Facilities

In order to meet Kennedale’s current and future park and recreation needs and to ensure adequate park distribution, an analysis of Kennedale’s current park system, park locations, and park inventory has been conducted. This study aids in determining what standards for parks and recreation have been met, and which standards need to be achieved over the next few years. Factors evaluated include park classification, location, service area, size, amenities, condition, and natural areas.

Park Inventory

The City of Kennedale currently maintains three neighborhood parks and one community park. Railroad Park is still under the conceptual design phase, but the other parks are built and their facilities are listed below:

Table 8. Rodgers Park Inventory

Asset Component	Initial Quantity	Useful Life (Years)	Overall Condition Rating
Playground Equipment / Benches / Tables	1	15	New
Fence (Wood)	1	10	New
Basketball Court	1	25	New
Concrete Trail	1	25	New
Decorative Signage	1	20	New
Drinking Fountain	1	15	New
Monument Plaques	1	20	New
Sanitation Station	1	15	New
Trash Cans	5	15	New



Table 9. Town Center Park Inventory

Asset Component	Initial Quantity	Useful Life (Years)	Overall Condition Rating	Asset Component	Initial Quantity	Useful Life (Years)	Overall Condition Rating
Pavilion	1	25	New	Lighting	6	25	New
Marquee Sign	1	20	New	Drinking Fountain	1	15	New
Flag poles	2	25	New	Sound System	1	10	New
Light Poles	6	25	New	Fountain (Decorative)	1	20	New
Fence Wrought Iron	N/A	25	New	Concrete Trail	1	25	New
Benches	12	15	New	Decorative Signage	1	20	New
Trash Receptacles	11	15	New	Monument Plaques	2	20	New
Picnic Tables	8	15	New	Playground (5-12yr old)	1	10	New
Clock Tower	1	25	New	Playground (2-5yr old)	1	10	New
				Public Art	3	15	New

Table 10.1 Sonora Park Inventory (224 S New Hope Rd)

Asset Component	Initial Quantity	Useful Life (Years)	Overall Condition Rating	Asset Component	Initial Quantity	Useful Life (Years)	Overall Condition Rating
Restroom Facility	1	25	New	Decorative Signage	3	20	Good
Walking Trail	1	25	New	Metal Railing	1	15	Good
Benches (For Trail)	6	15	New	Metal Railing	1	15	Good
Low Water Crossing for Trail	1	25	New	Monument Plaques	1	20	Good
Pavilion	1	25	New	Park Benches	6	15	New
Spray Park	1	25	New	Picnic Tables	8	15	New
Fishing Pier	1	25	New	Picnic Tables	8	15	Good
Horseshoe Pit / Washer Court / Disc	1	20	Good	Pond Fountain (Decorative)	2	10	Good
Playground	1	15	New	Trail Bridge	1	25	New
Benches	2	15	Good				

Table 11. Sonora Park Inventory (Ballpark at (200 Village St)

Asset Component	Initial Quantity	Useful Life (Years)	Overall Condition Rating
Ball Fields / Fence / Backstop	3	20	Good
Concession / Restroom	1	25	Poor
Score Boards	3	20	Poor
Bleachers	6	20	Good
Dugout Benches	6	15	Good
Dumpster Pad	1	25	Good
Field Lighting	17	25	Poor
Maintenance Building	1	25	Poor
Picnic Tables	2	15	Good
Score Keepers Stand	3	20	Poor
Restroom facility	1	25	Good

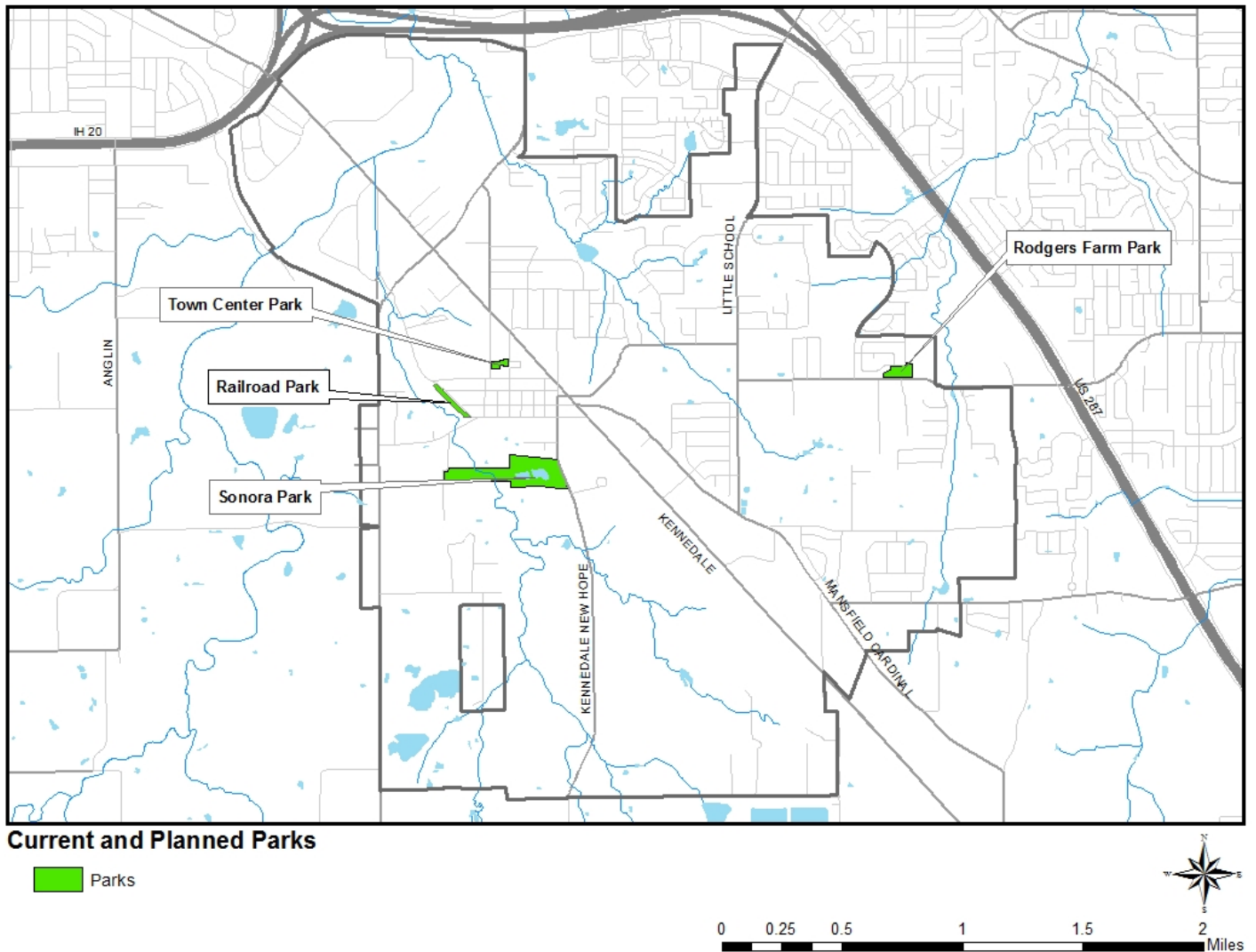
Facility Inventory

The table on the following page shows the type and quantity of park and recreation facilities developed and maintained by the City of Kennedale. It should be noted that some facilities (noted with an asterisk) are located on Kennedale High School Grounds, and may be considered as semi-public. The City of Kennedale may need to consider this limitation when implementing the needs assessment standards.

Table 12. Facility Inventory

Facility Inventory	
Facility type	Existing facilities
1/4 mile running track	0*
Amphitheater	0
Ball field (baseball, youth)	1*
Ball field (softball, youth)	1*
Ball field (t-ball)	1
BMX track (standard ABA certified)	0
Court (badminton)	0
Court (basketball, full court)	0.5*
Court (basketball, half court)	1*
Court (handball)	0
Court (horseshoe)	1
Court (multipurpose)	0*
Court (racquetball)	0
Court (shuffleboard)	0
Court (tennis)	0*
Court (volleyball)	0*
Court (washer)	1
Disc golf course	1
Dog park	0
Field (football)	0*
Field (multi-use)	0*
Field (soccer)	0
Fishing piers / wildlife viewing station	1
Gymnasium	0*
Outdoor fitness / exercise equipment	0
Park bench	26
Picnic shelter (pavilion, large)	2
Picnic table (sheltered)	12
Picnic table	14
Playground	4
Pool (outdoor)	0
Recreation center	0
Restrooms	2
Rock climbing wall	0
Senior center	1
Skate park (full-sized, 17,000+ sq. ft. footprint)	0
Skate park (small, 7000 sq. ft. footprint)	0
Splash pad	1
Trail (natural surface, per mile)	0
Trail (paved, per mile)	1.36
Water features	3
*Other facilities may exist at a Kennedale school, but may not be open to the public or user preference goes to students.	

Figure 6. Current and Planned Park Locations



Chapter 4: Analysis of Parks, Trails and Facilities

Introduction

This chapter contains the park classification, inventory, standards, and needs assessment upon which the recommendations of this Parks Master Plan are based.

Parks Classification

A successful and sustainable park system is made up of many different kinds of parks, which vary greatly in size and in function. It is important to be able to classify and inventory these different parks in order to assess whether community needs are being met. The following descriptions are based on an oft-cited report by the National Recreation and Park Association, “Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines” (1995).

Mini Park

Mini parks are the smallest of all the types of parks, typically ranging in size from 2,500 square feet to one acre. These parks are located within a ¼ mile walking distance of the area they service, and provide limited recreational needs. Due to their small size, they are usually nestled closely into developed areas with little buffering between uses.

A typical mini park may include the following facilities:

- Playground
- ½ basketball courts
- Open play area
- Picnic tables
- Grills
- Benches



Figure 7. A Typical Mini Park

Source: Chapel Hill Comprehensive Parks Plan

Neighborhood Park

Neighborhood parks are the basic unit of the park system. They range in size from approximately 5 to 10 acres, and serve a $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile radius – still a walkable distance. Ideally, all residential areas within the City should fall within one of these radii. Neighborhood parks provide a range of activities of interest to multiple age groups. Although the park size is still somewhat small, the NRPA suggests keeping half of the site undisturbed to act as a buffer zone between the park and other uses.

A typical neighborhood park may include the following facilities:

- Playground
- Court games
- Informal playing field
- Trails / walkways
- Picnic shelters
- Picnic tables
- Grills
- Benches
- Parking



Figure 8. A Typical Neighborhood Park

Source: Chapel Hill Comprehensive Parks Plan

Community Park

Community parks provide recreation activities for several neighborhoods or sections of the community. The range of facilities may even support tournament competitions as well as passive recreation. These parks usually range in size from approximately 20 to 50 acres and serve a radius of one to two miles. The NRPA suggests that half of the park site be developed for passive recreation, and this area doubles as a buffer mechanism around the park and between active site facilities. These parks should also have a varied topography and vegetation, some cleared spaces for active recreation, and preferably be located near a body of water such as a lake, river, or creek.

A typical community park may include the following facilities:

- Basketball courts
- Tennis court
- Baseball / softball field
- Multipurpose field / Soccer field
- Amphitheater
- Picnic shelters
- Picnic tables
- Grills
- Benches
- Nature trails
- Restrooms / concessions
- Parking
- Playgrounds
- Disc golf
- Paddle boat / canoe harbor
- Fishing pier / boat dock



Figure 9. A Typical Community Park

Source: Chapel Hill Comprehensive Parks Plan

Regional Park

Regional parks are the largest park classification, ranging in size from approximately 50 to 1,000 acres. They can serve several communities or the entire county, and are typically located on land chosen as nature preserves and where there are natural water features. There are therefore diverse land formations and a wide range of activities provided. The NRPA suggests that the majority of the park site be reserved for passive recreation.

A typical regional park may contain the following facilities:

- Environmental center
- Primitive camping
- Nature trails
- Observation deck
- Picnic shelters
- Picnic tables
- Grills
- Restrooms / vending
- Beach
- Swimming
- Fishing piers / boat docks
- Parking



Figure 10. A Typical Regional Park

Source: Chapel Hill Comprehensive Parks Plan

Linear Park

Linear parks, or greenways, are areas developed for one or more modes of non-motorized, recreational travel, such as bicycling, walking, and hiking. Also known as greenways, linear parks should be at least 10 to 12 feet wide, and may be constructed of paved or a more natural surface. These parks are generally left in a natural state, and usually follow built or natural corridors such as utility rights-of-way, roads, rail corridors, or rivers and streams. Ideally, linear parks should link other components of the park and recreation system, such as other parks, recreation centers, or public gathering spaces.

Greenway Trails

Greenway trails are to be the key feature of the trail network system. By utilizing the floodplain areas of local tributaries, the greenway trail system can act as a safe and scenic way to walk from nearly anywhere in the City to another. A key component of this trail network is to connect with other trail networks in the area, including Arlington's and possibly Fort Worth's.



Figure 11. Example of a Greenway Trail

Source: Leon Creek Greenway, San Antonio, Texas

Trail Support Facilities

Trailheads

Trailhead facilities include parking areas, toilets, water (if available) and a trailhead kiosk sign. The kiosk is a place trail users can pick up literature and find the rules and regulations for the area.

Trail Signs

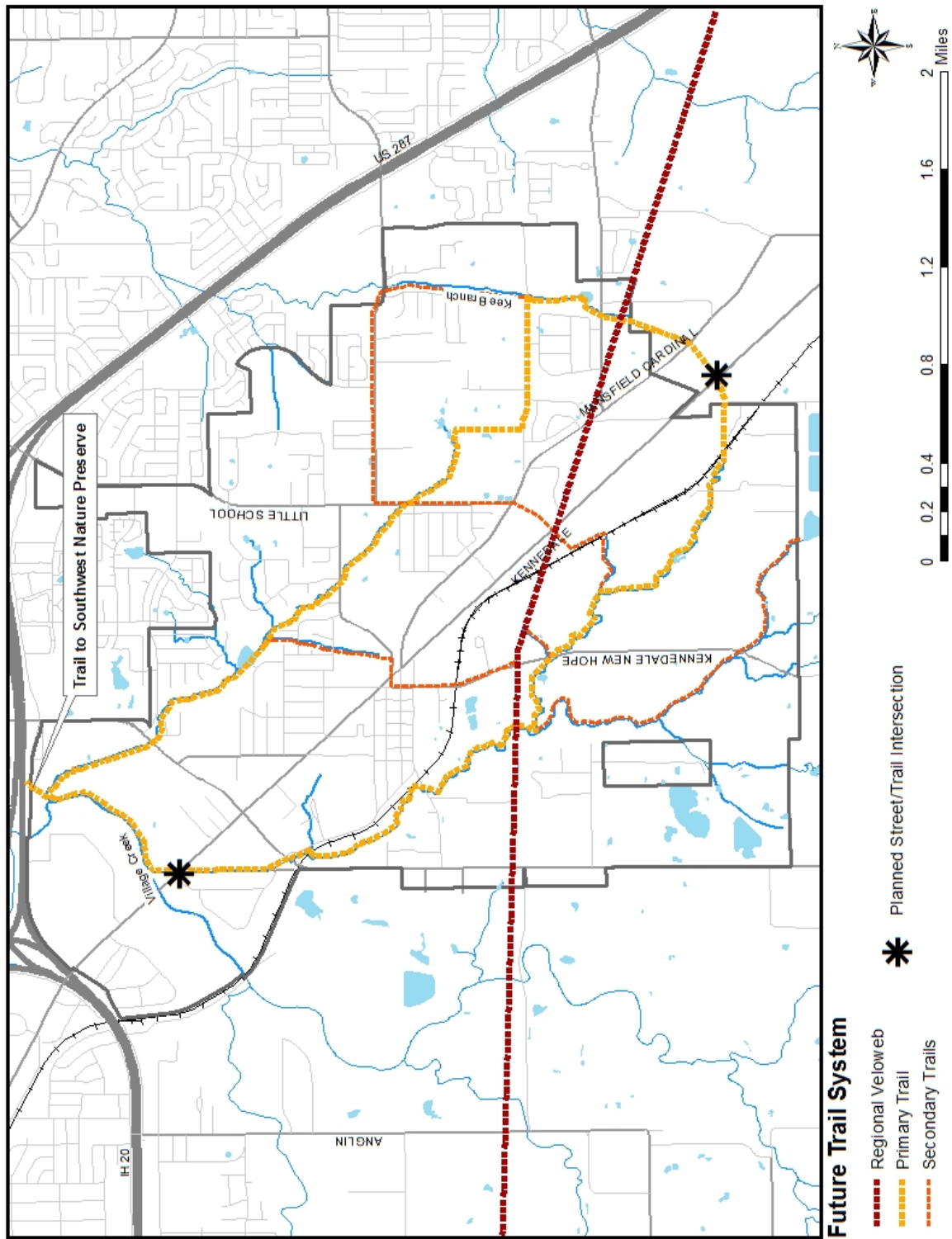
Trail signs provide direction, mileage or educational information. The trail should be measured in order to determine the length of the trail and any side trails. Distances should be rounded to the next tenths of a mile. Standard highway signage identifying the trailhead must conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). Trail user groups need to work with the managing government agency for approval of federal or state highway signage.

Trail signs found in the backcountry providing location, direction and mileage should have 1.0-inch tall letters and numbers. Trail junction signs should have 1.5- to 2-inch tall letters. These signs are generally made of treated wood or decay resistant western red cedar or redwood. Letters and numbers are routed into the boards and the board stained or painted. Names, mileage and directional arrows can be painted white or color-coded to match the paint blazes found on a particular trail. Boards are generally 2" x 6" (2 lines) or 2" x 8" (3 lines) wide and 4' – 6' long.

Trail Bridges

Trail crossings of streams involve a wide variety of opportunities. From placing large rocks in wet areas to building elaborate boardwalks, streams provide opportunities for the trail builder to be creative. However, any bridge that is built must be structurally sound and able to hold the weight of the bridge materials as well as the trail users crossing the bridges. Most trail bridges are built from pressure treated lumber but others have been built of steel and there is now a trend using prefabricated fiberglass bridges that can be carried to the bridge site and the pieces bolted together. Trail builders must work with the land managing agency and follow their regulations and specifications for bridges.

Figure 12. Proposed Trail System



Standards for Parks and Recreation

There have been many studies undertaken to ascertain specific standards for park and recreation service levels, since these can give planners and policy-makers an idea as to what proper service standards are. Well-researched standards provide decision-makers with a starting point as they attempt to ameliorate residents' quality of life.

The standards used for this Parks Master Plan include the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) guidelines, the Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Standards, and the Arlington Park and Recreation Standards. These standards should not be adopted in whole by Kennedale and are simply guidelines. Instead, they should each be adjusted according to the resources and needs of Kennedale.

National Recreation and Park Association

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) published a widely-referenced report named "Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines" (1995). It is important to note that the classifications and standards used are guidelines and have not been used by the NRPA itself as policy. The NRPA also recommend that each city take into account its own unique context and resources when using their guidelines. Many cities have now shifted to using resident surveys in order to better understand local needs.

Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Standards

In 2003, this study for the state of Colorado created a new methodology for developing park and recreation standards, since the NRPA standards are recognized as being based on urban models and not necessarily being appropriate for smaller communities of 10,000 residents or less (such as Kennedale currently). The Colorado Small Community Park and Recreation Standards study uses actual levels of resident demand for parks and facilities in order to develop their standards, and this type of methodology can be useful as we contextualize the NRPA standards to Kennedale.

Arlington Park, Recreation and Open Space Standards

The City of Arlington, which borders Kennedale to the north, updated its Park, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan in 2004. In this updated plan, a methodology similar to that used in the Colorado study was employed, using information gathered through resident surveys and other municipalities in Texas. Because Kennedale does not have a similarly detailed database of park and facility demand within its city limits, the Arlington surveys and standards are useful to gauge local resident desires.

Needs Assessment

The needs assessment establishes the type and quantity of park land or facilities required to meet the needs of the City of Kennedale currently as well as in the future, when Kennedale reaches build-out population. This section further explains the methods used to ascertain resident demand for park land or facilities in Kennedale.

Demand

The City of Kennedale's 2005 Parks Master Plan included the results of a citizen's survey which was tabulated in 2005. This survey asked residents to identify which additional park and recreation facilities they would like to have in Kennedale, and their answers divulge information about resident demand. Since the survey results are now 11 years old, final demand calculations were tempered by considering the new facilities provided by the City of Kennedale between 2005 and 2016 that were a response to resident demand. For example, although restrooms were in very high demand in 2005, the City built a restroom facility in Sonora Park in 2007, so demand for a restroom in 2016 would be below very high.

The drawback of this survey is that residents were not asked to provide information about how often people in their household do or would use these facilities, so the methodology used in the Colorado study cannot be used for Kennedale.

Table 13. Kennedale Survey Summary

Kennedale Park Survey Summary:	
What additional facilities would you like to have in Kennedale?	
Facility	Percentage "yes" responses
Adult softball fields	5.4%
Amphitheaters	8.1%
Areas for general play	27.9%
Baseball fields	7.2%
Basketball courts	13.5%
Fishing piers / wildlife viewing station	19.8%
Football fields	0.9%
Horseshoe courts	3.6%
In-line hockey rink / skate park	6.3%
Multi-use paved trails	51.4%
Nature areas	32.4%
Picnic areas	34.2%
Picnic shelters / pavilions	45.9%
Playgrounds	40.5%
Recreation center	37.8%
Recreational vehicle camp sites	1.8%
Restrooms	40.5%

Rock climbing walls	4.5%
Soccer fields	4.5%
Sports practice fields	9.9%
Swimming pools / small water park	29.7%
Tennis courts	10.8%
Volleyball courts	2.7%
Water features	31.5%
Youth softball fields	3.6%

In 2002, the City of Arlington conducted a citizen's survey, of which one question concerned the importance of certain park and recreation facilities to resident households. The City of Arlington and the City of Kennedale border each other, and since the survey results were very similar in citizen demands, his information is a valid source to develop information on possible citizen demands in Kennedale.

Table 14. Arlington Survey Summary

Arlington PROS Plan Survey Summary: How important are the following facilities to your household?				
Facility	Not At All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Baseball / softball fields	17%	16%	25%	42%
Basketball courts	23%	21%	29%	27%
Disc golf	45%	24%	18%	13%
Fishing	28%	22%	27%	23%
Natural areas	5%	12%	27%	56%
Natural surface trails	6%	13%	32%	48%
Off-leash dog park	32%	16%	20%	32%
Outdoor fitness / exercise equipment	16%	24%	28%	32%
Outdoor swimming pool	17%	16%	26%	41%
Paved trails	7%	14%	33%	46%
Picnic shelters / pavilions	4%	13%	34%	50%
Playgrounds	8%	9%	22%	61%
Recreation center	11%	19%	34%	36%
Sand volleyball	28%	26%	25%	21%
Senior recreation center	34%	18%	26%	22%
Skate park	33%	22%	23%	22%
Soccer / football fields	17%	16%	28%	39%
Splash pads	14%	15%	26%	45%
Tennis courts	26%	20%	27%	27%

The information from both the Kennedale survey and the Arlington Survey are combined in the table below, where Kennedale's final demand level for each facility type is given.

Table 15. Survey Comparison

Facility	Arlington survey demand	Kennedale survey demand	Kennedale demand
Amphitheaters	N/A	Very Low	Very Low
Areas for general play	N/A	Moderate	Moderate
Ball fields (baseball)	High	Very Low	Moderate
Ball fields (softball, adult)	N/A	Very Low	Very Low
Ball fields (softball, youth)	N/A	Very Low	Moderate
Basketball courts	Moderate	Low	Low - Moderate
Disc golf course	Very Low	N/A	Moderate
Dog park	Moderate	N/A	Moderate
Fields (football)	High	Very Low	Low
Fields (soccer)	High	Very Low	Low
Fields (sports practice)	N/A	Very Low	Very Low
Fishing piers / wildlife viewing station	Very Low	Low	Low
Horseshoe courts	N/A	Very Low	Very Low
Nature areas	Very High	High	High - Very High
Outdoor fitness / exercise equipment	High	N/A	Moderate
Picnic areas	N/A	High	High
Picnic shelters / pavilions	Very High	Very High	High
Playgrounds	Very High	Very High	Very High
Recreation center	High	High	High
Recreational vehicle camp sites	N/A	Very Low	Very Low
Restrooms	N/A	Very High	High
Rock climbing walls	N/A	Very Low	Very Low
Skate park	Very Low	Very Low	Very Low
Splash pad	Very High	Moderate	Moderate
Swimming pools	High	Moderate	Moderate
Tennis courts	Moderate - High	Low	Low - Moderate
Trails (natural surface)	Very High	N/A	Very High
Trails (paved)	Very High	Very High	Very High
Volleyball courts	Very Low	Very Low	Very Low
Water features	N/A	High	High

Standards

The tables below show the park land and facility standards from the NRPA, Colorado, and Arlington, as well as the proposed standards for the City of Kennedale, which have been set specifically to meet local demand.

The tables show this demand (total resident demand) as well as need (resident demand minus existing park land or facilities) by the years 2016, 2020, and build-out (approximately 2040). The only type of park land where current need has been met is community park land. Several types of facility needs have been met, but the City of Kennedale still needs substantial increases in many facility types in order to meet current resident needs.

Table 16. Park Needs Assessment

Park Needs Assessment										
Park type	NRPA guidelines (acres per thousand residents)	Arlington standards (acres per thousand residents)	Kennedale standards (acres per thousand residents)	Existing facilities (acres)	Current demand ¹ (acres)	Current need ¹ (acres)	2020 demand ² (acres)	2020 need ² (acres)	Build-out demand ³ (acres)	Build-out need ³ (acres)
Mini	0.25 - 0.5	N/A	0.25	0	1.9	1.9	2.68	2.68	4.25	4.25
Neighborhood	1 - 2	1.31	1	6.73	7.6	0.87	10.72	3.99	17	10.27
Community	3 - 8	3.25	3	26.3	22.8	Met	32.16	5.86	51	24.7
Regional	5 - 10	3.23	3	0	22.8	22.8	32.16	32.16	51	51
Linear	N/A	5.1	3	0	22.8	22.8	32.16	32.16	51	51
Total	10	12.89	10.25	33.03	77.9	44.87	109.88	76.85	174.25	141.22
¹ Based on a population of ~7,600 in 2015.										
² Based on a projected population of ~10,720 in 2020.										
³ Based on a build-out population of ~17,000 in 2040.										



Table 17-1. Facility Needs Assessment (Part 1)

Facility Needs Assessment											
Facility Type	NRPA guidelines (facilities / 1000 residents)	Arlington standards (facilities / 1000 residents)	Colorado small community standards (facilities / 1000 residents)	Kennedale standards (facilities / 1000 residents)	Existing facilities	Current demand ¹	Current need ¹	2020 demand ²	2020 need ²	Build-out demand ³	Build-out need ³
1/4 mile running track	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.05	0*	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Amphitheater	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Ball field (baseball, youth)	0.2	0.1	0.61	0.1	1*	0.8	Met	1.1	0.1	1.7	0.7
Ball field (softball, youth)	0.2	0.1	0.61	0.1	1*	0.8	Met	1.1	0.1	1.7	0.7
Ball field (t-ball)	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.05	1	0.4	Met	0.5	Met	0.9	Met
BMX track (standard ABA certified)	N/A	N/A	0.16	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Court (badminton)	0.2	N/A	N/A	0.1	0	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.7
Court (basketball, full court)	0.2	0.08	0.91	0.1	0.5*	0.8	0.3	1.1	0.6	1.7	1.2
Court (basketball, half court)	0.4	N/A	N/A	0.2	1*	1.5	0.5	2.1	1.1	3.4	2.4
Court (handball)	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Court (horseshoe)	0.15	N/A	N/A	0.05	1	0.4	Met	0.5	Met	0.9	Met
Court (multipurpose)	0.1	N/A	N/A	0.1	0*	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.7
Court (racquetball)	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Court (shuffleboard)	0.5	N/A	N/A	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Court (tennis)	0.5	0.14	0.97	0.2	0*	1.5	1.5	2.1	2.1	3.4	3.4
Court (volleyball)	0.2	N/A	0.13	0.05	0*	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Court (washer)	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.05	1	0.4	Met	0.5	Met	0.9	Met
Disc golf course	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.1	1	0.8	Met	1.1	0.1	1.7	0.7
Dog park	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Field (football)	0.05	0.02	N/A	0.01	0*	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2

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Table 17-2. Facility Needs Assessment (Part 2)

Facility Type	NRPA guidelines (facilities / 1000 residents)	Arlington standards (facilities / 1000 residents)	Colorado small community standards (facilities / 1000 residents)	Kennedale standards (facilities / 1000 residents)	Existing facilities	Current demand ¹	Current need ¹	2020 demand ²	2020 need ²	Build-out demand ³	Build-out need ³
Field (multi-use)	0.1	N/A	0.95	0.1	0*	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.7
Field (soccer)	0.1	0.08	0.95	0.05	0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Fishing piers / wildlife viewing station	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.1	1	0.8	Met	1.1	0.1	1.7	0.7
Gymnasium	0.05	N/A	N/A	0.05	0*	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
Outdoor fitness / exercise equipment	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.2	0	1.5	1.5	2.1	2.1	3.4	3.4
Park bench	N/A	N/A	7.69	6	26	46	20	64	38	102	76
Picnic shelter (pavilion, large)	0.02	0.03	N/A	0.1	2	0.8	Met	1.1	Met	1.7	Met
Picnic table (sheltered)	0.5	0.7	0.36	2	12	15.2	3.2	21.4	9.4	34	22
Picnic table	0.9	1.25	6.25	3	14	22.8	8.8	32.2	18.2	51	37
Playground	1	0.13	0.16	1	4	7.6	3.6	10.7	6.7	17	13
Pool (outdoor)	0.05	0.02	0.12	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Recreation center	0.04	0.01	N/A	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Restrooms	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.3	2	2.3	0.3	3.2	1.2	5.1	3.1
Rock climbing wall	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.02	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Senior center	0.01	0.01	N/A	0.01	1	0.1	Met	0.1	Met	0.2	Met
Skate park (full-sized, 17,000+ sq. ft. footprint)	0.01	N/A	0.06	0.005	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Skate park (small, 7000 sq. ft. footprint)	N/A	N/A	0.16	0.01	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Splash pad	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.05	1	0.4	Met	0.5	Met	0.9	Met
Trail (natural surface, per mile)	0.1	0.14	2.33	0.3	0	2.3	0.92	3.22	1.86	5.1	3.74
Trail (paved, per mile)			1.04		1.36						
Water features	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.3	3	2.3	Met	3.2	0.2	5.1	2.1
¹ Based on a population of ~7,600 in 2015.											
² Based on a projected population of ~10,720 in 2020.											
³ Based on a build-out population of ~17,000 in 2040.											
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Chapter 5: Mission and Goals

VISION: *“You’re here, your home – a serene environment to engage the senses and build relations – to preserve, conserve and inspire our community.”*

The focus of this parks and open space master plan is ultimately to meet the needs of both current and future residents by building on the City’s existing assets and identifying new opportunities. It will serve as a guide for the planning and development of Kennedale’s park and open space system for the next ten years.

The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan will provide direction to ensure the existing park system is preserved and protected and the future park system is efficiently and effectively planned. The master plan enables planners to assess priorities and establish strategic resolutions toward maintaining and developing future park services.

Goals

- 1. Preserve and maintain a viable and balanced open space network**
- 2. Promote a healthy green community**
- 3. Provide leisure opportunities for all ages**
- 4. Expand recreational opportunities in the floodplains of the Trinity River / Village Creek watershed**
- 5. Build and enhance community partnerships**
- 6. Preserve and enhance the City’s natural, historical, and cultural resources**
- 7. Improve and ensure park safety and security**
- 8. Ensure that park and open space needs of the City are met currently as well as in the future**

Strategies

Listed below are strategies to help attain the above goals:

- 1. Identify and inventory the existing facilities, programs and opportunities.**
This provides a basis for analysis of the available programs and facilities and identifying current trends through citizen survey data.
- 2. Develop and implement programs that encourage public participation in both active and passive recreation programs.**
Public participation programs and educational awareness programs lead to a sense of ownership and stewardship of the land. It engenders a feeling of belonging to a community and thereby the City as a whole. It also encourages social interaction and well-being among citizens.

3. **Develop a system of pedestrian and bike-friendly linkages between neighborhoods and the larger Regional Veloweb plan for the Metroplex.**

Connectivity is the backbone of a successful infrastructure. It can be used to link various sectors of the City such as neighborhoods, school districts, parks and other facilities. Integrating trails and linear park systems within the City and extending them to connect to the larger trail systems within the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex is another method to invite partnerships with neighboring cities that encourages economic growth and attracts development.

4. **Preserve and protect the City's natural environment and native ecosystems to the greatest extent possible.**

Identify key areas that have historical, ecological and environmental significance to the City (past, present, and future) to highlight the City's dedication to preserving and maintaining a sustainable community. These can be achieved through inventorying locations of historical significance to the City and the community at large, adopting an approved native plant list to promote water conservation and ecological preservation, and adopting landscape provisions within developments to provide aesthetic yet functional streetscapes. Parks provide further alternatives to promote arts and culture within the community and stimulate community engagement.

5. **Expand economic growth and public health through joint programming.**

Working with developers, investors, and school systems to expand and maintain park facilities through incentives and national, state, and local funding paves the way for the City to achieve a healthy community profile. Parks provide the means for children to learn and grow socially, promote economic development within cities, are a proponent of green infrastructure, encourage physical activity, and contribute to climate management.

6. **Proper safety and maintenance of park infrastructure.**

Infrastructure maintenance is an important contributor to quality park facilities. Proper and adequate lighting, emergency call boxes, and trash receptacles at specific locations and along trailhead areas are key to the regular use and functioning of a park system.

Park System

Goals

1. Provide park land and a variety of recreation facilities and programs to meet the changing recreational needs and desires of the City of Kennedale.
2. Continue to maintain and manage the park system to improve the physical form and image of the City of Kennedale.
3. Improve and maintain safety within the park system.

Objectives

- Develop short and long-range programs for expansion and upgrading of Kennedale's park system.

- Provide recreational facilities that address the needs of all age groups, young and old, active and passive, and in all socio-economic categories.
- Acquire park land before the existing vacant land is in its entirety dedicated to development.
- Develop land acquired and dedicated to future parks in a consistent and focused manner.
- Acquire park and open space sites that are prominent and highly visible in the neighborhoods that surround them.
- Utilize landscape design at key City portals and along selected street medians to create an attractive image of the City.

Trail Design

Goals

1. Create a citywide network that is connected to neighboring trail systems.
2. Build accessibility and connectivity for all citizens.
3. Emphasize the character of the City.
4. Improve and maintain safety within the trail system.

Objectives

- Establish an interconnected network of trail systems by connecting various tracts of land to other neighboring trail systems throughout the region.
- Design the trail system to meet national standards for safety and accessibility.
- The trail system shall be designed with the intention to acknowledge the special heritage of the City by giving the trails names that acknowledge notable past citizens of Kennedale.
- The trail system shall be designed by considering safety as its highest priority.

Trail Design Description

Trail design is one of the most important factors to ensure that the trail route offers optimum scenic, geologic, historic, cultural, and biological sites to provide a variety of diverse areas for the trail user to experience. Trail design is the critical component to making the trail sustainable, reducing impacts on the natural environment, and minimizing future trail maintenance.

The National Park Service definition of a sustainable trail is as follows:

- Supports current and future use with minimal impact to the area's natural systems.
- Produces negligible soil loss or movement while allowing vegetation to inhabit the area.
- Recognizes that pruning or removal of certain plants may be necessary for proper trail construction and maintenance.
- Does not adversely affect the area's wildlife.
- Accommodates existing use while allowing only appropriate future use.
- Requires little rerouting and minimal trail maintenance.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1991 provided legislation to improve access to buildings, parks, and trails, as well as many other aspects of life. Complying with ADA legislation includes more than having a trail or walkway be wheelchair accessible. Pedestrian trails are the only trails that are required to be ADA accessible. Trail surfaces generally should not exceed 5% slopes and have a cross slope of greater than 2%. ADA accessible trails also are required to have a firm and stable surface. Most ADA compliant trails have a paved concrete or asphalt surface, but a hard packed dirt surface without obstructions can be an accessible surface.

Lighting and Emergency Call Stations

Trail lighting and emergency call stations can be utilized in order to make citizens feel more secure while on the trail.

The Regional Veloweb Link

The Regional Veloweb is a Regional Transportation Council initiative promoted by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), a part of the *Mobility 2040* plan reviewed in January 2016. It is a trail system that consists of a 1,728 mile network of existing and planned off-street, shared-use paths that are designed for use by bicyclists, pedestrians, and non-motorized forms of active transportation within the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area. This network is a means to connect neighboring cities within the DFW region by means of a recreational “interstate”, with planned routes that may be prioritized for future funding grants. The Veloweb trail system is focused on connecting communities, bridging barriers, and also making connections to housing, employment, and entertainment areas within the region.

One of the main benefits of connecting the City’s master plan of trail systems to the Regional Veloweb is the provision of easy access to and green connectivity between neighborhoods, schools, and destination points along the way.

Figure 13, on the following page, is the draft map of the proposed Veloweb network, and Figure 14 is a close-up of it passing through Kennedale to highlight the connectivity benefits.



Figure 13. NCTCOG Veloweb System

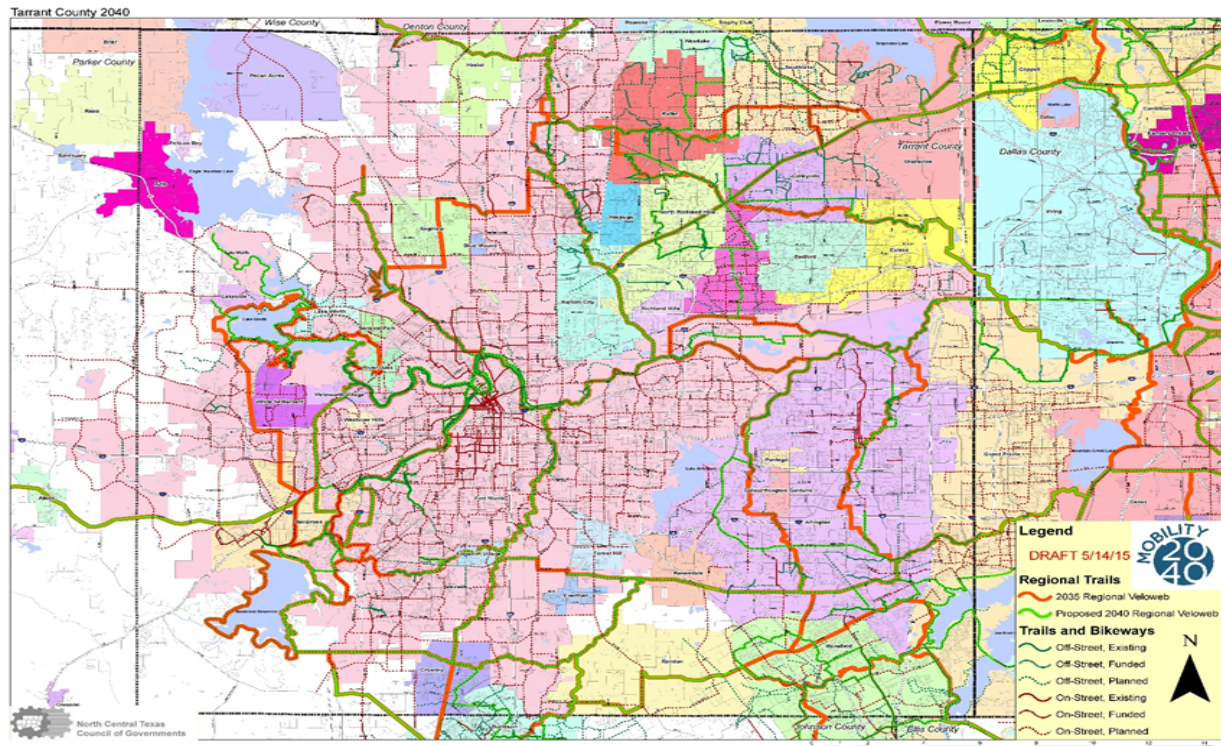
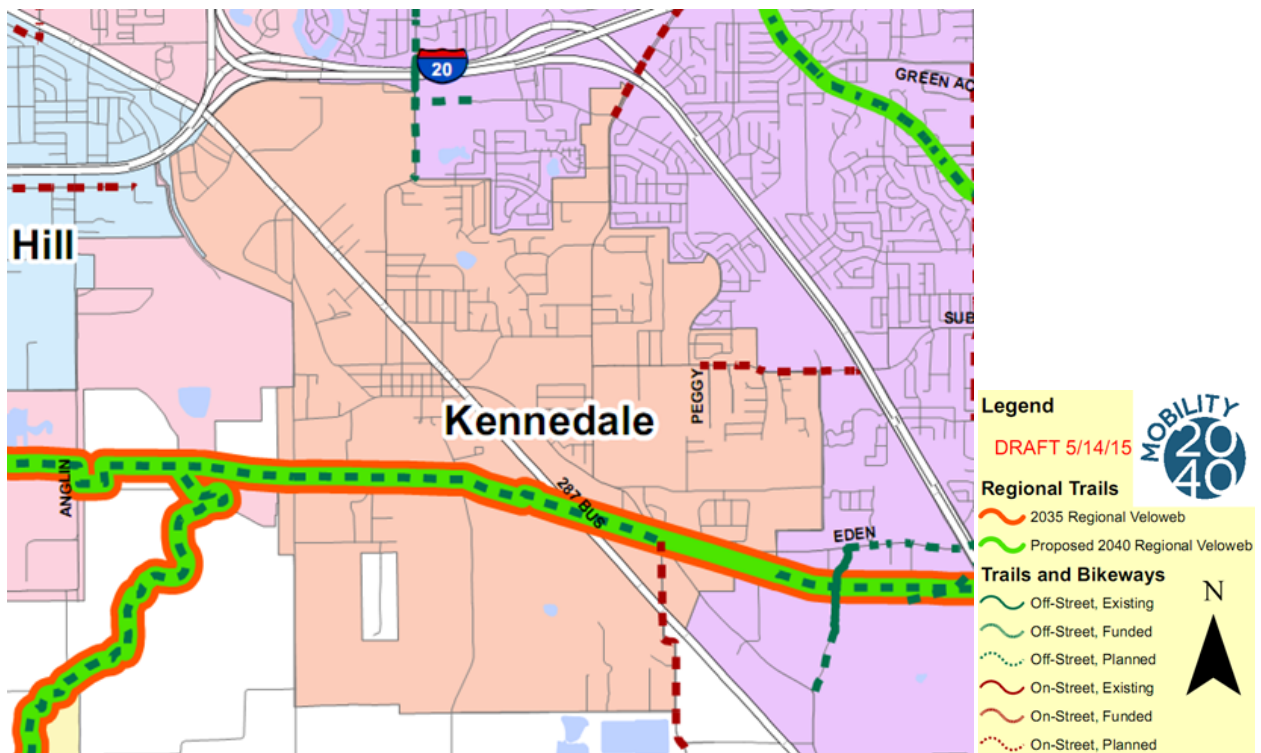


Figure 14. Veloweb through Kennedale



Indoor and Outdoor Recreational Recommendations

The City of Kennedale is ripe with potential in regards to its recreational opportunities. While the current indoor and outdoor facilities are lacking in both size and location to adequately address the current and future needs of Kennedale, the City is in a great position to create policy that will encourage residents and businesses to participate in the movement toward building a better home.

Outdoor Recreational Priorities

The City of Kennedale is primed to have one of the most dynamic park systems across the State of Texas. In order to accomplish this goal, it is important to identify our recreational needs and compare them to external standards. In the previous chapter, these needs were identified in the park and facility needs assessments. In the Park Needs Assessment, it was determined that there is a need for additional park land.

Outdoor Recreational Recommendations

- Acquire park land: The need to acquire park land will always be present within a growing community. As new development occurs, so does the need for more park land for residents. There is a need to acquire park land especially in the western and central portions of the City.
- Develop athletic fields for all sports (game and practice): Additional game and practice fields are a priority in order to meet Kennedale's needs.
- Off leash area: Many cities have devoted park sites for off-leash areas to give pet owners and their domestic animals an area to socialize. The fenced area will primarily be grassy, irrigated open space with room for pets to run around and play with each other while allowing pet owners to supervise without concern of the pets running away. The off leash area can be added to one of the proposed parks.
- Outdoor amphitheater: According to the City of Kennedale standards, there is demand for one amphitheater. The amphitheater can be added to the community park or a regional park.
- Playgrounds: Playgrounds should have a design that is unique to the area, and includes natural components.
- Outdoor exercise equipment: Low-maintenance outdoor exercise equipment should be placed in a linear park with consecutive stations, and should accommodate users with disabilities.

Indoor Recreational Priorities

While there are currently no publicly-owned indoor recreational facilities in Kennedale, there is an opportunity to cooperate with the Kennedale Independent School District (KISD), the Kennedale Youth Association (KYA), and possibly the community center to offer indoor recreational opportunities to residents during the months when weather is not ideal for outdoor activities.

Indoor Recreational Recommendations

- Partner with the KISD to develop more public access to indoor sports facilities such as courts and gymnasiums.
- Partner with the KISD to offer programs during the summer and winter months that will keep the youth active all year long.

- Multi-purpose room: There is no existing city facility which fulfills the need for banquet facilities for large groups. A large room with full-service kitchen facilities is needed within the City to provide a location for banquet-style special events without moving the event beyond city limits.
- Exercise room: This active environment is desirable for many residents, but seniors would prefer a more controlled area. A separate exercise area would be necessary for seniors.

General Recommendations

- Plant additional native trees in parks as necessary for shade, environmental improvement, and aesthetic enhancement.
- Provide park and recreation facilities for all age groups, including teens and seniors.
- Provide a variety of practice fields throughout the park system.
- Improve communication with the public regarding available park facilities and recreation programs.
- Develop a park system maintenance program to improve the equitable distribution of maintenance, renovation of facilities, and addition of new facilities among all parks.
- Implement an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Joint Use of Property between the Town and KISD by allowing public use of existing school property for recreation facilities.



Chapter 6: Implementation and Action Plan

Introduction

Kennedale is a small city in terms of population and geographic area. As the City grows to develop a wider range of neighborhoods, age and density patterns have a potential to vary. Some areas of the City are currently developing, and other areas of the City are assessed for future development. While facility standards and levels of service provide a framework for different types of park and open space development, it is important to recognize that priorities in one area of the City may not be the same as in another area.

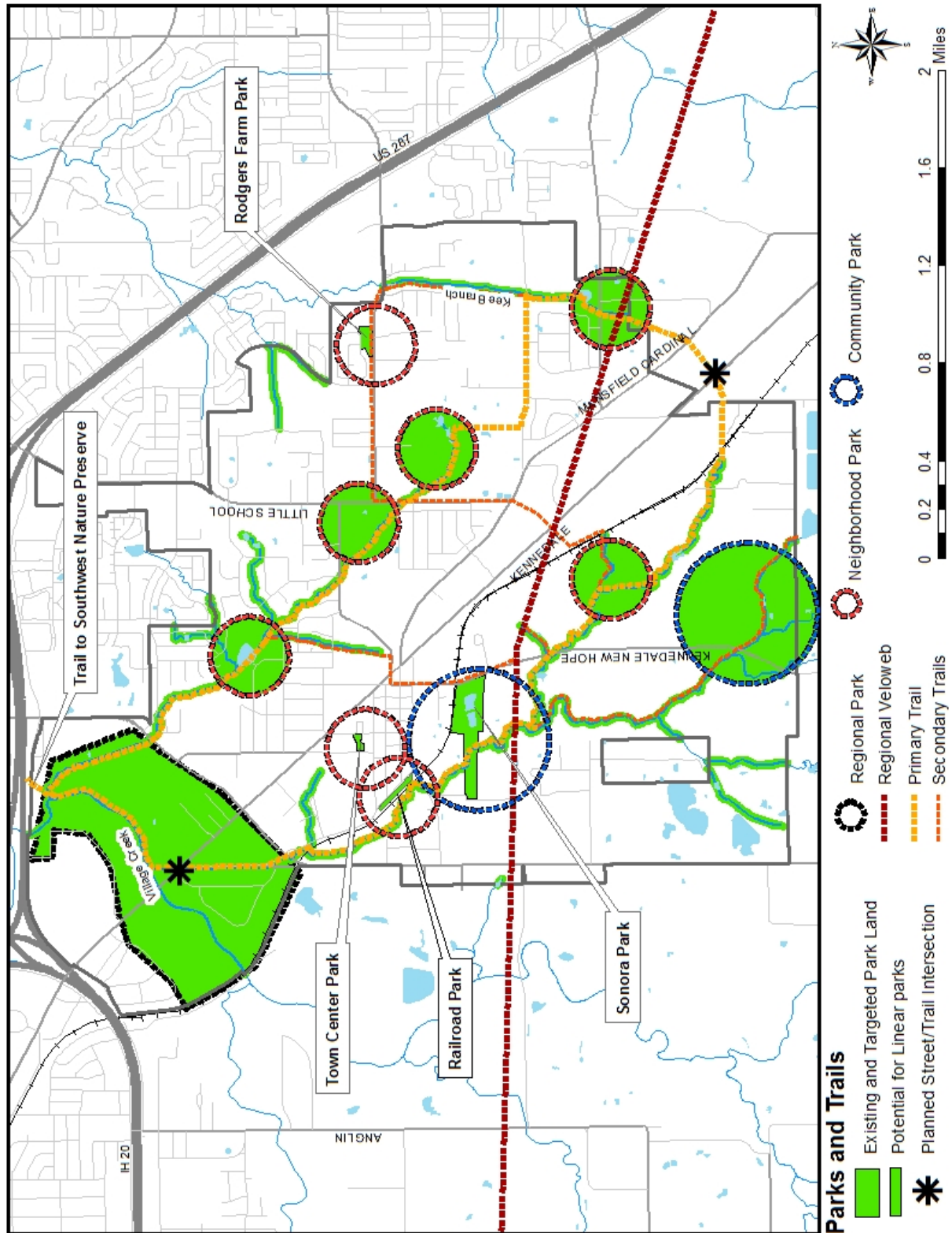
In order to address unique conditions in each area, as the City grows, implementation strategies need to be developed in order to coordinate and oversee the facilities and maintenance of various parks and open space systems within the City at build-out. A full scale comprehensive parks master planning endeavor is necessary so that assets and capital projects are efficiently prioritized and allocated.

The needs assessment has been calculated from the data standards established by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) guidelines, Colorado's Small Community Park Standards, as well as the City of Arlington's standards in order to establish a benchmark for the City of Kennedale. The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan will, through a developed trail system, connect major floodplain areas within the City to serve as a continuous main linear park system. Smaller parks will serve open space needs within residential subdivisions. These will cumulatively serve the City based on population density considerations at build-out.

Based on the needs assessment, it was determined that Kennedale will need one additional regional park in the Village Creek area, one community park in the southwest region, and five neighborhood parks dispersed throughout the city. The Railroad Park was not included in the five additional parks because it is already planned, therefore, the area of this park was calculated as part of the current park inventory. This park system will be connected to a primary trail system; either directly or via secondary trails in Figure 15.



Figure 15. Potential Locations for Parks and Trails



Implementation Strategies

Land Acquisition

Kennedale currently has three neighborhood parks and one community park. Acquisition of land should be focused on the expansion of existing parks, creation of new parks, and protection of natural habitat. Land acquisition may include direct purchasing or the establishment of recreational and/or park land easements. The following recommendations target this type of land acquisition.

Donation of land to the City is considered a tax-deductible charitable donation. Most often the original landowner remains on the property. Once an easement is in place, it stays with the land and cannot be moved. The land can also be donated through a living will / trust, which would give the City the same rights to the land, but without the stipulation of conservation.

A fee simple land purchase transfers full ownership of the property, including the underlying title, to another party. It may also be the result of a donation, with tax benefits for the landowner from the donation. They can also be voluntary transactions between a landowner (seller) and purchaser (buyer) through fee titles transfers for the sole purpose of park and open space development. The party that holds the fee title has a long-term responsibility to administer and monitor the title.

Park Land Dedication Ordinance

The City of Kennedale can offer incentives to developers and property owners through land dedications associated with subdivision development. This encourages a stewardship of the local landscape in addition to increasing the economic value of properties within the City. This promotes a both a positive image for the City and an aesthetic advantage that may result in further economic profits.

Conservation Easements

An easement would allow the developers the ability to set aside percentages of land for conservation reasons, such as the preservation for wildlife and riparian corridors within the floodplain areas.

Financing Operations & Maintenance

One method for financing is to adopt a General Sales Tax Revenue and earmark a portion of the sales tax specifically to fund both park land acquisition and maintenance. This can be an especially effective and dependable mechanism.

Another method of revenue generation is through user fees, which are most appropriate when parks are used for:

- a) special events,
- b) entry controlled facilities such as recreation centers, skate parks, bike tracks, swimming pools, etc., and
- c) ball field facilities with centrally organized league play.

Third, impact fees are a type of one-time charge developers pay to help finance their proportionate share of the cost of the roads, parks, schools and other facilities necessary to serve their new developments. A portion of the funds collected would be applied toward the new parks and trails facilities that are to be developed in order to meet the needs the new developments and the ensuing population density increase engenders. The following criteria should be considered should the City adopt an impact fee for any park and open space facility development:

- Statutory limitations
- Other funding options
- Availability of plans and data
- Current levels of service
- Political support, and
- Revenue potential

The amount of the fee must be clearly linked to the added service cost and maintenance of the facilities. The City must make local policy decisions relating to facilities, methodology, exemptions, offsets, benefit areas, and percent cost recovery. They may be addressed toward benefit districts and assessment districts as the local authority's policy determines.

Joint Use Facilities

Partnerships between public / private entities and the public / school districts for joint-use facilities is an advantageous route to be used to further augment the City's park and recreation facilities. This type of agreement between the City and the school system is advantageous to both parties as it can maximize the efficiency of the operations and maintenance costs of each entity.

Park Improvements

Park improvement is vital to ensure that the facilities accommodate the citizens as well as exceed their wants and needs in a park system.

American Disability Act (ADA)

The City of Kennedale is recommended to design, construct, and operate all buildings and facilities so they are accessible to, and usable by, persons with disabilities to the greatest extent reasonable. This means that all new and altered buildings and facilities should be in conformance with the appropriate design standards. It also means that a sufficient number of existing buildings and facilities should be modified to ensure that programs can be provided in an accessible location.

Signage

A good park signage system performs multiple functions: it provides effective information and direction for people to find their way around the park, encourages learning experiences, helps maintain the image of the park, and communicates park rules.

Signage can meet specific needs, target certain areas, and at the same time be kept to a minimum in the park as a whole. It can also provide a sense of place and local pride by incorporating the history of a specific site in the overall design.

Security

The implementation of rules and regulations is designed to inform and educate visitors on the safest and most enjoyable experiences, while ensuring their own personal safety and security while visiting Kennedale's parks.

Kennedale should partner with local law enforcement to provide a proactive response to suspicious and/or emergency situations. Incorporating a security-focused signage system is also encouraged to remind park visitors of Kennedale's expectations regarding the safety of its citizens. Promoting Park Watch programs within the community will increase safety and a sense of belonging and community among the citizens.

Park View / Lighting

There are multiple creative options for lighting the parks in Kennedale while providing a park view for the citizens, enabling the City to attract long-lived activity in the parks as well as local events, while making people feel safe and welcome.

Aesthetically pleasing solar lighting can function as a sustainable measure to provide safety to citizens utilizing the parks. Using solar lighting is cost effective, since the future energy use is free and will save the City thousands of dollars over traditional park lights when installed in new or existing parks.

Park Development

The City of Kennedale has the potential to acquire additional land to expand and improve their parks. A population projection sourced by The North Texas Council of Government predicts that the population will increase to approximately 10,720 residents by 2020. Based on the demographics and geography, new parks have been proposed in addition to expanding and/or improving the existing parks in the City. In utilizing the City's topography, the proposed parks should be developed along the flood plains, with measures to mitigate possible flooding as well add a natural aesthetical appeal to the open space. Refer to Figure 14 for more detail.

Linear Parks

Recent trends in linear park system design across the U.S. focus on abandoned rail lines, allowing municipalities and local authorities to bring green areas into cities as an ecological and sustainable open space connectivity network. The acquisition of abandoned railway rights-of-way is a feasible option for many municipalities. The City of Kennedale has a rail line passing through its center. Besides that, existing creeks and rivers within the City provide a strong basis for future linear green corridor implementations. In recent years, the importance of linear parks as part of the open space needs in cities has increased, as they offer a number of benefits such as non-motorized transportation corridors, space for sports activities, recreational uses, and locations for social gathering. Linear parks generate a vital aesthetic yet practical and long-lasting impression of the City's image to residents and visitors, adding to a sense of place. Therefore, utilizing existing creeks and rivers for future linear park implementations or taking those areas into consideration of expands of green areas is recommended.

As the City of Kennedale expands, emphasizing principles and standards essential for the design and functioning of the linear park establishes guidelines for future park development. The following principles will define the strategic processes for the development of linear parks for the administrative divisions of the City.

A linear park should be a connector between parks through greenways with natural beauty that appeals to the senses (e.g., sunlight, shade, wind, view sheds). It should link schools, shopping places, workplaces, and neighborhoods through non-motorized modes of transportation such as those used on hike and bike trails. Wherever possible, a linear park should protect natural and historic areas of interest within the City. A basic linear park is constituted by three parts: trails, trailheads, and open space. The minimum width of a linear park system is recommended to be 50 feet.

Figure 16. Linear Park Illustration



Park Concepts

Railroad Historical Park

All city park facilities are accessible to the public; however, Railroad Park may serve as an all-inclusive park which would answer the particular needs for physically challenged populations by incorporating ADA standards. Using the railroad theme, a concrete “railway” pathway can encircle the radius of the playground with turf or another artificial surface underneath the playground equipment for wheelchairs to maneuver. According to the theme, sufficient seating and wide walkways on play equipment can allow children with walkers and crutches access the equipment. ADA-compliant swings can be installed for physically challenged visitors. All-weather historical stands or kiosks regarding the historical background of Kennedale can incorporate Braille or voice for blind visitors.

In addition to additional handicap parking for this park, adequate lighting and emergency phone kiosks should be incorporated due to the special needs of the guests. Due to the special features of this park, federal grants, private foundations, and community funding may be available.



Splash Park and Play Fountains

A splash park features age-specific play areas including a water wall, ground sprays, play structures, a magic touch water gun, spray cannons and power geysers. Six touch buttons allow children to interact with the play features.

At maximum capacity, the Splash Factory can pump 2,000 gallons of re-circulated water per minute, enough to fill an average in-ground backyard swimming pool in 11 minutes. To conserve water, the city can install a swimming filter and chlorination system that re-circulates water through the park. Staff monitors and enforces age requirements for the different play areas. A recommended location is southern Kennedale, in new community where gravel pits are located.



Sports Field or Court as Detention Pond

The purpose of a detention pond is to suppress downstream flooding and erosion by reducing the rate of flow. Facilities designed for a single use that are located in more remote places or in open spaces create an opportunity to design them for multiple uses. Since the facility is not accessible or used during rain or severe weather conditions, the detention facility can be natural or hard surfaced with hard edges or a planted edge.



Funding Sources

There are a wide variety of funding sources available to the City of Kennedale that can aid tremendously in making this Master Plan a feasible one. As the search for funding sources is an important and arguably

indispensable step in the implementation of this plan, a list of potential funding sources has been developed and can be found in Appendix A.

Appendix A: Funding and Grant Sources

Federal, State, and Organizational Funding

Community Outdoor Outreach Program (CO-OP) Grant

The CO-OP grant provides funding to local governments and non-profit organizations for programming that introduces under-served populations to environmental and conservation programs as well as the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) mission-oriented outdoor activities.

Entergy Open Grants

Entergy's Open Grants Program focuses on improving communities as a whole. They provide funds for projects in the areas of arts and culture, community improvement / enrichment, the environment, and healthy families. These grants are available to communities where Entergy has operations.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Training and Technical Assistance for Small Systems

The EPA competitively awards non-profit organizations which provide training and technical assistance to small public water systems, small wastewater systems and private well owners. The funding can help provide water and wastewater system staff and private well owners with training and tools to enhance system operations and management practices, and support EPA's continuing efforts to protect public health and promote sustainability in small communities.

Patagonia Environmental Grants

Patagonia funds environmental work, and is interested in giving grants to organizations that identify and work on the root causes of problems, and that approach issues with a commitment to long-term change. Funding focuses on organizations that build a strong base of citizen support.

Recreational Trails Grants

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) administers the National Recreational Trails Fund in Texas under the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This federally funded program receives its funding from a portion of federal gas taxes paid on fuel used in non-highway recreational vehicles. The grants can be up to 80% of project cost with a maximum of \$200,000 for non-motorized trail grants. Funds can be spent on both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail projects such as the construction of new recreational trails, the improvement of existing trails, the development of trailheads or trailside facilities, and the acquisition of trail corridors.

Local Parks Grants

The Local Park Grant Program consists of 5 individual programs that assist local units of government with the acquisition and/or development of public recreation areas and facilities throughout the State of Texas. The Program provides 50% matching grants on a reimbursement basis to eligible applicants. All grant-assisted sites must be dedicated as park land in perpetuity, properly maintained and open to the public.

The Texas Community Development Block Grant Program

This program uses federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to provide a variety of assistance to smaller communities. This program is administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural Affairs.

Community Development Program

This fund distributes the majority of Texas CDBG grants. Funds are awarded once every two years through 24 regional competitions for assistance to eligible cities and counties to address public facilities and housing needs. Eligible activities include infrastructure projects such as sewer and water system improvements, street, bridge, and drainage improvements, and housing rehabilitation. Project beneficiaries must be 51 percent low and moderate income. Grants range from \$100,000 to more than \$500,000, depending on the region. Matching funds are typically required.

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation

The Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation works to improve the communities and schools they serve. The foundation supports non-profit organizations and public institutions that support public education and community improvement and has grant funds available for playground projects (\$5,000-\$25,000).

Miracle's Grants for America's Children

Up to \$5 million in grant money is available to schools and parks around the country who want to purchase new playground equipment through Miracle's Grants for America's Children program. Miracle, a playground manufacturer for over 80 years, awards grants for purchase of equipment based on an assessment of the current playground equipment proposal, size of project, and amount of grant funding available.

Shade Structure Grant Program

The American Academy of Dermatology's Shade Structure Grant Program awards grants to public schools and non-profit organizations for installing permanent shade structures for outdoor locations that are not protected from the sun, such as playgrounds. Each grant is valued at up to \$8,000, which includes the structure and installation.

National Park Service Land & Water Conservation Fund

States and local governments are eligible to apply for matching grants to fund public outdoor recreation and areas and facilities.

Let's Play Initiative

Dr. Pepper Snapple Group has made a three-year, \$15 million commitment, as part of KaBOOM!'s Let's Play Initiative, to help construct and improve playground areas. Municipalities and non-profit organizations with a playground or outdoor recreational space that is currently unsafe for children can apply for construction grants. The Initiative also offers Let's Play Completion Grants, which can be used toward the completion or improvement of an existing playground. This grant program has an ongoing deadline. In addition, there are also opportunities for communities to partner with school districts to apply for Joint Use Grants to open school recreation facilities to the public during non-school hours.

Community Facilities Grant Program

The Community Facilities Grant program is funded by the Department of Agriculture (USDA). This program provides grants to communities with fewer than 20,000 residents to construct and renovate facilities used for public service, health care, recreation, community service, and public safety. Funds are also used to purchase equipment that is needed to operate the facilities. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations, municipalities, towns, districts and tribal government agencies. Areas with the lowest population and income levels receive higher grant considerations. Up to 75 percent of the project costs are covered by the grant. The amount of funding is dependent on the median income and population of the applicant entity.

Outdoor Recreational Grant Program

The National Park Service (NPS) sponsors the Outdoor Recreational Grant program through the Land & Water Conservation Fund. Grants are used to acquire land and plan and develop recreational areas such as playgrounds, tennis courts, outdoor swimming pools, hiking trails, picnic areas, campgrounds, and boat-launching ramps. Funds are also used to build restrooms, water systems, and other support facilities for the general public. States, cities, counties, and park districts are eligible to apply for these grants, and over the course of NPS's history, more than \$5 billion has been awarded for preservation and recreation grants. Funds are allocated as matching with state grants.

Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) sponsors the state-administered Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Grants from this program are used to acquire real estate property for public use, demolish blighted structures, and construct and renovate public service facilities, recreational facilities, and public and private buildings. Funds are also used to support economic development activities including assisting micro-enterprises. Grants are administered by states to cities and counties with fewer than 50,000 and 200,000 residents respectively. Up to 3 percent of the grant can be allocated to cover technical assistance and administrative expense.

Every Day Capacity Building Grants

The National Environmental Education Foundation will provide Friends Groups with grant funds of up to \$5,000 to help build their capacity to serve public lands.

Safe Places to Play

The U.S. Soccer Foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry for its Safe Places to Play program, which provides grants to organizations to help them build or enhance a field space in their communities. Grants will be awarded for the installation of field surfaces, lighting, and irrigation.

Arbor Day Foundation

TD Green Streets supports innovative practices in community forestry. Through this grant program, municipalities are eligible to receive one of ten \$20,000 grants in support of local forestry projects in low- to moderate-income neighborhoods.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

The Small Grants Program is a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United States that further the goals of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act. These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds.

National Recreation and Parks Association

A new member benefit for NRPA members, *Fund Your Park* is a crowd funding platform designed exclusively for park and recreation agencies. Selected projects will be profiled on the platform for funding, whether it's for building a new playground or installing trail signs.

Environmental Information Exchange Network Grant Program

The Exchange Network Grant Program provides funding to states, territories, and federally recognized Indian Tribes to support the development of an Environmental Information Exchange Network. The Exchange Network is an internet- and standards-based, secure information systems network that supports the electronic collection, exchange, and integration of high-quality data. Funding for the grant program has been provided through annual congressional appropriations for the EPA.

Environmental Justice Grants

The purpose of the Environmental Justice Grant Program is for EPA to provide financial assistance to support community-based organizations to collaborate and partner with other stakeholders (e.g., industry, government, academia, etc.) to develop and implement solutions that will significantly address environmental and/or public health issues at the local level.

Environmental Justice through Pollution Prevention

The Environmental Justice through Pollution Prevention (EJP2) grant program supports community-based groups across the nation develop collaborative approaches to achieve environmental justice through pollution prevention.

Clean Water Financing

Includes guidance and information about the following programs:

- Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program
- Water Pollution Control Program Grants for states
- Water Quality Cooperative Agreements
- Clean Water Indian Program Grants
- Pollution Prevention (P2)
- Water Grants and Funding
- Watershed Funding

City-Generated Funding Sources

- **General fund expenditures** are primarily used for improvements or repairs to existing parks and facilities. Typically general fund expenditures are for smaller repair and replacement efforts.

- **Bond funds** are primarily targeted toward new facilities.
- **Electric utility partnerships** can be established for utility easement trails. This partnership typically does not involve monetary contributions; however, it does include use agreements for easements held by utility companies.
- **Water utility bill contributions:** Residents of the city can choose to add a small amount to their water collection bills to fund park improvements. In this way, the City of Austin has raised almost \$50,000 for the city's parks and libraries since 2013.
- **Half cent sales tax funds:** Using this source, the City of Mansfield was able to raise \$3.4 million in 2007.
- **Park donations funds** can be used for applicable projects, equipment, and general facility improvements.
- **Park development fee funds:** This type of funding is received from developers for removing quality trees for development. The revenue generated is used to plant trees and to irrigate city properties.



Appendix B: City Policy

Cultural and Natural Landscapes Protection

We recommend the City of Kennedale initiate a Conservation and Development Plan or a Natural Resource Management Ordinance to protect the cultural and natural landscapes. By protecting natural environments and encouraging native landscaping, the City can increase the value of residential and commercial properties within the City, maintain and enhance a positive image for the attraction of new businesses to the City, protect healthy quality trees, and promote the natural and aesthetic qualities of the City.

1. Enforcement of Tree Ordinance

The purpose of this ordinance is to promote site planning which furthers the preservation of mature trees and natural areas, to protect trees during construction, to facilitate site design and construction, and to control the removal of trees when necessary.

2. Encouragement of park land dedication

This will promote neighborhood and community parks intended to serve the people in the proximate areas, protect the interest of current residents, and to manage growth.

3. Preserving and planting of native landscaping and drought resistant plants

The purpose is to provide for the orderly and aesthetic development of the City. By requiring a minimum of landscape elements such as trees, shrubs and ground cover with suitable irrigation, landscaping and buffer yards separate land uses from each other to eliminate or minimize potential nuisances such as dirt, litter, noise, glare of lights, signs, and unsightly buildings or parking areas, or provide spacing to reduce adverse impacts, odor or danger.

4. Protecting geological interest and protected animal species

The creation, enhancement and promotion of suitable natural green space is a strategy for buffering or providing appropriate avoidance measures away from sensitive ecological areas. A survey of the City can identify existing and possible conservation areas.

5. Conservation and enforcement of natural resources

Residents and officials can actively participate in conserving and protecting the City's natural resources: green belt watershed, ground and surface water resources, and aquatic habitats. Staff can provide an environmental education center or information classes on how proper maintenance and disposal practices can reduce risks to surface and groundwater resources and promote water conservation.

Park Land and Linear Park Dedication Ordinance

The City of Kennedale imposes a fee in lieu of park development. We recommend the City of Kennedale revise their ordinance to provide a park land dedication. The park land dedication requirement would apply to subdivision developers or builders and would mandate a dedication of land for a park and/or pay a fee to be used by the government entity to acquire and develop park facilities (the choice should be the City's to make).

Table 20. City Park Land Dedication

CITY ORDINANCE	MANSFIELD	ARLINGTON	BENBROOK
Ordinance	Parkland Dedication Ordinance (2011)	Parkland Dedication	Ord. 1231§1; Ord. 1203§1
Zoning and/or Dedication Guidelines	Section 156 Park Land Dedication & Development Fee	Section 6.7.2. C and D; 10.4.20	16.04.045
Timing of Requirement	Prior to final plat or issuance of building permit	Plat application to city	Filing Plat
Land Requirements	Park land dedication requirements and park development fee assessments are based upon the mathematical formulas and allocations set forth within the plan.	Park land dedication requirements and park development fee assessments are based upon the mathematical formula and Parks & Recreation Director review	Park land shall equal one acre for each one hundred proposed dwelling units
Conveyed	Recorded Land Survey to City	Title or purchase agreement (sale)	General Warranty Deed
Land Assessment	Director of Parks and Recreation	Determined by Parks & Recreation Director	Determined by Planning and Zoning/Community Development
Fee in lieu of land	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fee Assessment	Calculation	Calculation	Calculation
Deposit	Mansfield Park Facilities Development Corporation (MPFDC)	Park Development Fee Ordinance	Park land Dedication Fund

Table continued on next page.

CITY ORDINANCE	MANSFIELD	ARLINGTON	BENBROOK
Additional Requirements	Rare, historic or endangered natural areas priority, outside floodplain, access to public street, no dump site	Outside floodplain, ready access to public street, walkway, public utilities underground	Suitable, ready access to public street, located in flood plain acceptable, drainage areas
Fee usage	Acquire or leasing of park land and development of parks	Maintenance bond for parks	Only for acquisition or park improvement
Comprehensive Plan Standards	Yes	Yes	Yes
Credit for Private Park	Yes, discretion of city	Yes, discretion of city	Yes, discretion of city
Appeal	Planning and Zoning Commission	Parks and Recreation Director	Planning and Zoning Commission
Non-residential park land dedication	No	Yes	No
Park land dedication in ETJ	Yes, subdivision	Yes, subdivision	Yes, subdivision
Updated	Every 3 years	Annually	Every 3 years

Floodplain Protection

Floodplains play an important role in natural flood and erosion control. In water management, floodplains filter nutrients and impurities from runoff and benefit wildlife. We recommend the City of Kennedale review their ordinance to protect the floodplains within the City. Working with the Texas Floodplain Management Association (TFMA), the City can protect life, health, and property in the event of flooding.

Community regulations include the following:

- Adopt and enforce a flood damage prevention ordinance,
- Require permits for all types of development in the floodplain,
- Establish natural areas with native vegetation to enhance the natural function of the floodplain,
- Protect existing vegetation and topography within a floodplain,
- Plant trees in the floodplain,
- Restrict structures on a floodplain or ensure that building sites are reasonably safe,
- Require elevation certificates to document compliance,
- Carefully consider requests for variances,
- Conduct field inspection and cite violations,
- Manage stormwater on-site in upland areas to reduce contributions from run-off, and
- Reserve the floodplain for passive recreation activity use only.

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Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - D.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of Ordinance 597 re-appointing Kennedale Municipal Court Presiding Judge, William "Bill" Lane and Associate Judge, Craig Magnuson, and re-appointing Erin Bakker, as the alternative Associate Judge

II. Originated by:

Tiffany tpenhallegon, Municipal Court Administrator

III. Summary:

As required by Section 9.03 of the City of Kennedale Home Rule Charter, this ordinance is being presented for consideration of re-appointment for William "Bill" Lane as the Kennedale Municipal Court's Presiding Judge and Craig Magnuson as the Municipal Court Associate Judge. Both have served a two-year term consecutive with the Mayor. It is also recommending re-appointing Erin Bakker as an alternative Associate Judge for the Kennedale Municipal Court.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

There is no additional cost or financial impact to the re-appointment of our current judge or the re-appointment of the alternative associate judges.

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Ordinance 597 Appoint Judge	20160627 ORDINANCE 597 Ordinance to Appoint Court Judge.docx
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ORDINANCE NO. 597

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS APPOINTING THE JUDGE AND ASSOCIATE JUDGES OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF RECORD IN THE CITY OF KENNEDALE; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale, Texas is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has created a municipal court of record pursuant to Chapter 30 of the Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 30 of the Texas Government Code relating to municipal courts of record provides that the judge of the municipal court of record shall be appointed by the City Council by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the workload of the Kennedale Municipal Court is not large enough to support a full time Municipal Court Judge; and

WHEREAS, it is of great benefit to the City of Kennedale to have an experienced municipal court judge sit on the bench of the municipal court of the City of Kennedale; and

WHEREAS, Section 574.001, Texas Government Code requires that a finding be made to the effect that a person who serves as an officer in more than one appointed position obtain a finding from the governing body that such officer has satisfied Article XVI, Section 40, of the Texas Constitution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1.

It is hereby found that the office of municipal court judge of the City of Kennedale is of benefit to the State of Texas and to the City of Kennedale and that there is no conflict between the office of municipal court judge of Kennedale and the office of municipal judge in any other city.

SECTION 2.

William "Bill" Lane is hereby reappointed as the Municipal Judge of the municipal court of record in the City of Kennedale, Texas for a two year term beginning June 1, 2016. At the expiration of said term, in accordance with Article 16, Section 17 of the Texas Constitution, Judge Lane shall continue to serve until his successor shall be duly qualified.

SECTION 3.

Craig Magnuson and Erin Bakker are hereby appointed as the associate judges to serve when the Municipal Judge is temporarily absent or unable to serve.

SECTION 4.

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances of the City of Kennedale, and shall not repeal any of the provision of such ordinances except in those instances when provisions of such ordinances are in direct conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, in which the event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 6.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Kennedale, Texas, this the 27th day of June 2016.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Leslie Galloway, City Secretary

Brian Johnson, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Attorney

Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - E.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of an Ordinance 599 amending the city's schedule of administrative fees

II. Originated by:

Finance Director, Director of Finance & IT

III. Summary:

The purpose of this ordinance is to set forth those fees and charges authorized to be charged by the City of Kennedale pursuant to specific authorization by the City Council. Fees and charges help offset both direct and indirect costs associated with the administration, investigation and implementation of ordinances and regulations applicable to development, as well as numerous other City activities and operations.

The City Council last approved revisions to this "schedule" of fees and charges on October 19, 2015 (Administrative Fees: Pavilion Rentals, Library, Water Deposits). For the purposes of this update, City staff would like to incorporate several changes.. In terms of staff's reasoning for the denoted items:

New Records Request Fees, New Storm Water Deposit, Change the Court Credit Card Fee to 6% based on new agreement with Traffic Payment, Adjust the Finger Print Fees to correct amount, and zoning verification letter and plan review fees that were left off previous schedule.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

Approve

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Ordinance 599- Schedule of Fees	Ordinance 599.docx
2.	Exhibit A - Schedule of Fees	Schedule of Fees (Proposed) June 2016.pdf

ORDINANCE NO. 599

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-3 OF THE KENNEDALE CITY CODE (1991), AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING, REPEALING, OR PROVIDING FOR FEES FOR CERTAIN CITY SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL FEES BY ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF FEES INCONSISTENT WITH THE FEES ESTABLISHED HEREIN; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, in order to offset costs associated with the administration, investigation and implementation of ordinances and regulations applicable to development and other activities, the City Council has previously established a schedule of fees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to update its schedule of fees by amending or repealing certain fees and adopting new fees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to repeal all previously adopted fees, which are inconsistent with fees established by this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

Section 2-3 of the Kennedale City Code (1992), as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 2-3. Fees for Licenses, Inspections, Permits, etc.

- (a) All persons, firms or corporations applying for licenses, inspections, permits or other city services, activities or uses that, by their nature, require the applicant to pay a fee incident to such application, shall be required to pay the following fees as established in Exhibit “A.”

- (b) The City Council shall periodically review the need for and the amount of fees for city services, uses and activities and shall adopt or revise it from time to time.
- (c) In addition to the fees established in paragraph (a) above, the City Council may adopt other ordinances from time to time establishing various fees for city services, activities and uses.
- (d) It shall be a violation of this Section to conduct any activity or commence any use for which the payment of a fee is required unless such fee has been paid.”

SECTION 2.

The fees set forth in Exhibit A attached to this ordinance are hereby adopted.

SECTION 3.

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Kennedale, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 5.

Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 6.

All rights and remedies of the City of Kennedale are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of Section 2-3 of the Kennedale City Code (1991), as amended, or any other ordinance or code provision affecting fees which have accrued at the time of the effective date of this ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

SECTION 7.

The City Secretary of the City of Kennedale is hereby directed to publish the caption, penalty clause, publication clause and effective date of this ordinance in every issue of the official newspaper of the City of Kennedale for two days, or one issue of the newspaper if the official newspaper is a weekly newspaper, as authorized by Section 52.011 of the Local Government Code.

SECTION 8.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Kennedale, Texas, this the 27th day of June, 2016.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary, Leslie Galloway

Mayor, Brian Johnson

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Attorney, Wayne K. Olson

EXHIBIT B: SCHEDULE OF FEES
(06.2016 WORKING)

SERVICE	COST	NOTES
ADMINISTRATIVE		
CHECK AND CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS		
Credit Card Payments		
Municipal Court	6%	When payment of any fee, fine, court cost or other charge related to Kennedale Municipal Court is made by credit card via phone, online or in-person, a fee equaling six (6) percent per fee, fine, court cost or other charge paid by credit card will be added to the fee, fine, court cost or other charge paid.
Permitting	3%	When payment of any fee, fine, court cost or other charge related to Kennedale Permitting is made by credit card via phone, online or in-person, a fee equaling three (3) percent per fee, fine or other charge paid by credit card will be added to the fee, fine, or other charge paid.
Utility Billing and Other Departments Not Listed	No Charge	When payment of any fee or other charge related to Kennedale Utility Billing (or any other miscellaneous activity not listed here) is made by credit card online, by phone (817-985-2120), or in-person, no fee will be required.
Returned Check/Declined Credit Transaction Fee (All Departments)	\$30.00	
CODE ENFORCEMENT		
Lien Assessment Fee	Actual Cost	Plus \$100.00 administrative fee
Mowing, Cleaning, and/or Boarding Property (By Contractor)	Actual Cost	Plus \$100.00 administrative fee
FACILITY RENTALS/RESERVATIONS		
<i>Ballfields (Village Street off of Averett Rd.; Subfacility of Sonora Park)</i>		
General Reservations (Residents and Non-Residents)	\$25.00	Per two (2) hour block
Kennedale Youth Association (KYA) Annual Lease Agreement		
<i>Community Center (316 W Third St.; in the Kennedale Public Library Building)</i>		
Deposit (applies to all Community Center rentals)	\$150.00	May be returned, dependent upon satisfactory inspection by staff
Non-Residents	\$40.00	Per hour, during library's normal hours; Minimum of \$100 charge per rental
	\$50.00	Per hour, during library's closed hours; Minimum of \$100 charge per rental
Residents	\$30.00	Per hour, during library's normal hours; Minimum of \$100 charge per rental
	\$40.00	Per hour, during library's closed hours; Minimum of \$100 charge per rental
<i>Pavilions (TownCenter Park at 405 Municipal Drive; Sonora Park at 263 S. New Hope Rd.)</i>		
Deposit (applies to all pavilion rentals)	\$50.00	May be returned, dependent upon satisfactory inspection by staff
Non-Residents	\$120.00	For 2 Hours, \$180 For 4 Hours, \$230 For 6 Hours, \$280 For 8 Hours
Residents	\$60.00	For 2 Hours, \$90 For 4 Hours, \$115 For 6 Hours, \$140 For 8 Hours
<i>Senior Center Banquet Room (420 Corry A. Edwards Dr.)</i>		
Deposit (Members)	\$75.00	May be returned, dependent upon satisfactory inspection by staff
Members	\$75.00	Per day

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Deposit (Non-Members)	\$150.00	May be returned, dependent upon satisfactory inspection by staff
Non-Members	\$125.00	Per day
LIBRARY		
Overdue Book	\$0.25	Per day
Photocopies From Copier (Only Black and White Available)	\$0.10	Per page
Printouts From Computer	\$0.25	Per page
Materials Lost or Damaged Beyond Repair	\$5.00	Processing fee + listed retail price
Repair of Inventory Material	Actual Cost	
Replace Lost or Damaged Audiobook Binder	\$5.00	
Replace Lost or Damaged CD Case	\$1.00	
Replace Lost or Damaged DVD Case	\$2.00	
Interlibrary Loan	No Charge	
Library Card Replacement	\$2.00	
Repair of CD/DVD	\$1.00	
Transmittal Fax Only (Local)	\$1.00	First page, \$0.25 each additional page
Transmittal Fax Only (Long Distance)	\$2.00	First page, \$0.50 each additional page
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Fingerprinting of Residents for Background Checks	\$7.50	Per Card
Vehicle Accident Report	\$6.00	Per copy
Offense or Arrest Report	\$1.50	Per report, plus \$0.10 per page for additional copies

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SERVICE	COST	NOTES
PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS		
NOTE: Minimum Fee For Any Single Permit or Inspection, Listed or Unlisted, Regardless of Department	\$55.00	Excluding signs
Construction Table Based on Total Valuation of Project (Used for Building Code Pricing Below)		
\$1.00 to \$500.00	\$23.50	
\$501.00 to \$2,000.00	\$23.50	For the first \$500.00, plus \$3.05 for each additional \$100.00, or fraction thereof, up to and including \$2,000.00
\$2,001.00 to \$25,000.00	\$69.25	For the first \$2,000.00, plus \$14.00 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, up to and including \$25,000.00
\$25,001.00 to 50,000.00	\$391.25	For the first \$25,000.00, plus \$10.10 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, up to and including \$50,000.00
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$643.75	For the first \$50,000.00, plus \$7.00 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, up to and including \$100,000.00
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00	\$993.75	For the first \$100,000.00, plus \$5.60 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, up to and including \$500,000.00
\$500,001.00 to \$1,000,000.00	\$3,233.75	For the first \$500,000.00, plus \$4.75 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, up to and including \$1,000,000.00
\$1,000,001.00+	\$5,608.75	For the first \$1,000,000.00, plus \$3.65 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof
BUILDING CODE PERMITS, INSPECTIONS AND PLAN REVIEWS		
Accessory Building (Min. 175 ft ²)	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Alterations and Repairs To Existing Structures	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Building Code Appeal	\$100.00	
Canopy - Larger than 400 ft ²	\$55.00	
Carnival or Temporary Amusement	\$55.00	
Carport	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Contractor Registration, Initial (Article XIII, Chapter 4 Of City Code)	\$100.00	
Contractor Registration, Annual Renewal	\$50.00	If not renewed within 30 days of expiration, renewal fee is \$100.00.
Detached Garage	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Demolition	\$55.00	
Drive Approach	\$55.00	
Fence, Retaining Wall, Screen Wall	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Fireplace	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Moving Building into the City	\$100.00	
Patio Cover	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Portable Building (Min. 175 ft ²)	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)

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Signs	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Swimming Pool and/or Hot Tub (Above Ground)	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Swimming Pool and/or Hot Tub (In-Ground)	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Tent (Commercial) - Larger Than 200 ft ²	\$55.00	
Tree Mitigation Fee	\$200.00	Per caliper inch
Underground Storage Tanks (Includes Gas Lines To Tank)	Varies	Consult Construction Table (above)
Reinspection Fee	\$55.00	
Plan Review		
New, Addition, Remodel for Commercial, Industrial, and Multi-Family	20%	of building permit fee
New, Addition, Remodel for Single or Two Family	\$55.00	
All Other Permits Requiring Plan Review	\$25.00	
Re-Review Fee	\$25.00	
ELECTRICAL CODE PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS		
Apartments, Condominiums, Triplex, Etc.	\$0.05	Per ft ² ; Minimum calculation of \$55.00
Commercial/Industrial New Construction	\$0.06	Per ft ² ; Minimum calculation of \$55.00
Single Family, Duplex, Townhouse, Etc.	\$0.06	Per ft ² ; Minimum calculation of \$55.00
Contractor Registration, Initial (Article XIII, Chapter 4 Of City Code)	\$100.00	
Contractor Registration, Annual Renewal	\$50.00	If not renewed within 30 days of expiration, renewal fee is \$100.00.
Electric Generators Used By Carnival, Circuses, Traveling Shows, Exhibits	\$55.00	
Electrical Code Appeal	\$100.00	
Fixed Residential Appliances, Receptacle Outlets, Etc.	\$55.00	(As Defined by city code)
Minimum For Any Single Permit	\$55.00	(Except Temporary Construction Pole Reconnects)
Swimming Pool, In-Ground, Residential	\$110.00	
Receptacles, Switch, Lighting or Other Outlet Holding Devices	\$55.00	
Reinspection Fee	\$55.00	
Services of 600 Volts or Less		
Less than 200 Amps	\$55.00	
600+ Volts or 1,000+ Amps	\$55.00	
Each Power Apparatus (As Defined By City Code)	\$2.00	
Rating in Horsepower, Etc.		
Up To And Including 1, Each	\$55.00	
Over 1, Up To And Including 10, Each	\$55.00	
Over 10, Up To And Including 50, Each	\$55.00	
Over 50, Up To And Including 100, Each	\$55.00	
Over 100, Each	\$55.00	
Signs, Outline Lighting, or Marquees		
One Branch Circuit, Each	\$55.00	

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Additional Branch Outlets	\$55.00	
Temporary Power To Any Structure (Maximum Of Ninety (90) Days)	\$55.00	
MECHANICAL CODE PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS		
Contractor Registration, Initial (Article XIII, Chapter 4 Of City Code)	\$100.00	
Contractor Registration, Annual Renewal	\$50.00	If not renewed within 30 days of expiration, renewal fee is \$100.00.
HVAC (Heating/Cooling Systems)	\$110.00	\$55 Per air handling unit (e.g. inside unit + outside unit = \$110.00)
Replacement of Furnaces, Condensing Unit or Cooling/Heating System	\$55.00	
Vent-A-Hood (Commercial)	\$55.00	
Re-Inspection Fee	\$55.00	
Mechanical Code Appeal	\$100.00	
PLUMBING CODE PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS		
Apartments, Condominiums, Triplex, Etc.	\$0.05	Per ft ² ; Minimum fee of \$55.00
Commercial/Industrial New Construction	\$0.06	Per ft ² ; Minimum fee of \$55.00
Single Family, Duplex, Townhouse, Etc.	\$0.06	Per ft ² ; Minimum fee of \$55.00
Contractor Registration, Initial (Article XIII, Chapter 4 Of City Code)	-	Not required for plumbers.
Unit Fee Schedule		
Building Water Line	\$55.00	Each
Building Sewer Line	\$55.00	Each
Fireplace Piping and Valve	\$55.00	
Gas Fired Applicable W/Special Vent Pipe	\$55.00	
Gas Piping System (1-4 Outlets)	\$55.00	Each
Gas Piping System (5+ Outlets)	\$55.00	Each
Industrial Waste Pre-Treatment Interceptor	\$55.00	
Installation/Repair of Water Piping and/or Water Treatment Equipment	\$55.00	
Lawn Sprinkler System On Any One Meter, Including Backflow Protection	\$55.00	Each
Private Sewage Disposal System	\$55.00	
Repair of Existing Piping	\$55.00	
Repair or Alteration of Drainage or Vent Piping	\$55.00	
Gas Line Pressure Check	\$55.00	
Plumbing Fixture, Trap or Set Fixture, Etc.	\$55.00	Each
Yard Line Pressure Check	\$55.00	
Plumbing Code Appeal	\$100.00	
Reinspection Fee	\$55.00	
REGISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS PERMITS		
Business License	\$25.00	
Home Business License	\$25.00	

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Certificate of Occupancy (CO)	\$55.00	
Contractor Registration, Initial (Article XIII, Chapter 4 Of City Code)	\$100.00	
Contractor Registration, Annual Renewal	\$50.00	If not renewed within 30 days of expiration, renewal fee is \$100.00.
Garage Sale Permit	\$10.00	No more than three (3) garage sales per address per year.
Gathering Station Inspection	\$1,000.00	
Itinerant Vendor License	\$100.00	Contact the Police Department Records Dept. at 817-985-2160, ext. 2219
Sub-Division Construction Inspection Fee	4%	Of construction cost
Tree Removal Permit	\$150.00	Per acre; \$150 minimum charge
OIL AND GAS WELLS		
Annual Air Sampling And Reporting Fee Per Low-To-Moderate Impact Pad Sites (As Determined By City Official(s))	\$12,000.00	
Annual Air Sampling And Reporting Fee Per High Impact Pad Site (As Determined By City Official(s))	\$45,000.00	May be paid in quarterly installments
Annual Air Sampling And Reporting Fee As Needed	\$12,000.00	Per instance of additional monitoring
Annual Inspection Per Well	\$2,000.00	\$300 per additional well on same pad site
Well Requested On Application for Pad Site	\$5,000.00	Per well
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT		
Annexation, Request for	\$200.00	
Commercial Site Plan Review	\$500.00	Engineering review fee; In additional to applicable permitting fees
Conditional Use Permit	\$500.00	
Easement or Right-Of-Way Abandonment, Request for	\$300.00	
Zoning		
Zoning Verification Letter	\$30.00	
Zoning Change or Amendment for Less Than 10 Acres, Request for	\$500.00	
Zoning Change or Amendment for 10+ Acres, Request for	\$1,500.00	
Rezone Less Than 10 Acres to Planned Development District (PD)	\$750.00	
Rezone 10+ Acres to Planned Development District (PD)	\$1,500.00	
Plats		
Minor Plat, Vacated Plat, Amended Plat	\$300.00	Plus \$10.00 per lot
Minor Plat Engineering Review Fee	\$200.00	
Preliminary Plat	\$300.00	Plus \$10.00 per lot
Preliminary Plat Engineering Review Fee	\$1,000.00	
Replat (0-10 Acres)	\$500.00	
Replat (10+ Acres)	\$1,500.00	
Final Plat	\$300.00	Plus \$10.00 per lot
Final Plat, Replat Engineering Review Fee	\$2,500.00	Placed in escrow; unused funds can be requested for return
Plats		

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Renotification	\$125.00	Cost to republish legally required notifications after a request for date change
Special Exception, Request for	\$250.00	
Variance, Request for	\$250.00	
Printouts/Copies From Plotter	\$1.00	Per Square Foot (ft ²)
UTILITY BILLING PUBLIC WORKS WATER AND WASTEWATER		
Deposits		
Residential Water (Owner Occupied)	\$60.00	If an account is finaled out for nonpayment, re-establishment of service requires a deposit of 2X the normal fee. Accounts are associated with the name of the responsible party (or parties); not the address.
Residential Sewer (Owner Occupied)	\$30.00	
Residential Water (Tenant Occupied)	\$90.00	
Residential Sewer (Tenant Occupied)	\$60.00	
Commercial/Industrial w/High Consumption	Varies	1/6 of annual consumption
Commercial Water	\$90.00	
Commercial Sewer	\$60.00	
Storm Water Only	\$90.00	
Water for Cleanup (15 Day Temp Service)	\$30.00	Per day
Use of Bulk Water Meter (Fire Hydrant)	\$600.00	Plus \$50 service fee
Use of Bulk Water Meter (Gas Drilling)	\$1,000.00	Plus \$50 service fee
Use of Bulk Unmetered Water	Varies	(rate) X (estimated gallons)
Disconnect Service At The Main	Actual Cost	
Liquid Waste Permit	\$50.00	The Building Inspection and Public Works departments regulate the installation, maintenance, and the transportation of liquid wastes. Questions? Call 817-985-2170.
Liquid Waste Trip Ticket Book	\$20.00	
Move City Utilities	Actual Cost	
Private Water Well Permit And Inspection	\$75.00	
Water Administrative Fee	\$20.00	Assessed when an account appears on the cut-off list; In addition to the late fee.
Water Transfer Fee	\$15.00	
Wrecker License/Permit	\$20.00	
Utility Equipment	Actual Cost	Meter, meter base, MTU, register, bullhead, and any other associated equipment installed for water/sewer metering
WATER AND WASTEWATER FEES		
Fire Hydrant Fee (Construction Meter)	\$79.50	Monthly base charge
Meter Calibration Fee (When Executed By City Staff)	\$45.00	Charges not incurred if meter is found to be inaccurate.
Meter Calibration Fee (When Executed By Independent Contractor)	\$125.00	
Meter Set Reinspection Fee	\$100.00	
Meter Tampering, Tampering With Lock, Or Cutting Lock On Meter	\$200.00	Per offense, plus actual cost of repair or replacement
Water Tap Fee (No Street Cut)		
¾" (.75")	\$475.00	Plus \$300 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
1"	\$525.00	Plus \$350 meter set fee; plus cost of meter

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1½" (1.5")	\$950.00	Plus \$550 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
2"	\$1,075.00	Plus \$700 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
3" or Larger	Actual Cost	Plus actual cost of meter set fee; plus cost of meter
Water Tap Fee (With Street Cut or Bore)		
¾" (.75")	\$925.00	Plus \$300 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
1"	\$975.00	Plus \$350 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
1½" (1.5")	\$1,400.00	Plus \$550 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
2"	\$1,525.00	Plus \$700 meter set fee; plus cost of meter
3" or Larger	Varies	Plus actual cost of meter set fee; plus cost of meter
Sewer Tap Fee (No Street Cut)		
4"	\$425.00	
6"	\$600.00	
8" or Larger	Actual Cost	
Sewer Tap Fee (With Street Cut or Bore)		
4"	\$875.00	
6"	\$1,050.00	
8" or Larger	Actual Cost	
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Ambulance Fees	Actual Cost	Established according to reasonable and customary reimbursement allowances of applicable insurance carriers; reviewed and approved quarterly by the City Manager.
Building/Fire Plan Review	\$55.00	
EMS Report	\$15.00	
False Alarm (3 rd +)	\$55.00	Beginning with the 3 rd , the fee doubles for each subsequent false alarm
Fire Code Appeal	\$100.00	
Fire Inspections		
Annual, Bi-Annual of Certificate of Occupancy (CO)	No Charge	
Re-Inspection	No Charge	
2 nd Re-Inspection	\$55.00	
3 rd + Re-Inspection	Varies	Beginning with the 3 rd , the fee doubles for each subsequent re-inspection
Fire Suppression Systems	\$55.00	
Fire Report	\$15.00	
Site Plan Review	\$55.00	
Standby		
Brush Truck	\$75.00	Hourly
Engine	\$150.00	Hourly
Fire Marshall	\$40.00	Hourly

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HazMat Squad	\$300.00	Hourly
Paramedic	\$30.00	Hourly
NOTE: Minimum Fee For Any Single Permit or Inspection, Listed or Unlisted, Regardless of Department	\$55.00	Excluding signs

**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION/OPEN RECORDS REQUEST
FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY OF KENNEDALE**

The City Secretary's Office encourages communication and transparency between the City of Kennedale and its residents by serving as the primary office responding to Public Information Requests. In an effort to save requestors time and money, frequently requested documents are available online, including:

- Laserfiche: Ordinances, Resolutions, Agendas, Packets, Minutes, and Press Releases
- MuniCode: Code of Ordinances and Copies of Individual Ordinances
- Monthly Reports: Building Permits, Fires, and Substandard Buildings

If what you need is not available online, you can make a public information request. Requests are processed in the order they are received, and should be for existing documents or information. Staff may not ask why you want the information, but may ask for clarification if needed. Please be aware that some records are exempt from disclosure or require redaction.

Requests may incur a fee, and the City of Kennedale may require prepayment. Charges vary depending on the number of responsive documents and personnel time required. Vaguely-worded or broad requests return more results. The more specific your request, the quicker it can be fulfilled.

Generally, the city will charge \$0.10 per page and \$15.00 an hour for labor. Requests for standard-sized documents that will be delivered via email usually do not incur charges, unless the request:

- is for more than fifty (50) pages,
- requires more than thirty (30) minutes of personnel time to locate, compile, manipulate data, and reproduce the information, or
- includes documents that are stored off-site.

If the estimated charges exceed \$40.00, the requestor must approve an itemized estimate before work begins. When estimated costs exceed \$100.00, the requestor is required to make a deposit (typically 100% of the estimate) before work begins. If a requestor (or their organization) has a balance exceeding \$100.00 for past requests, the City of Kennedale will not process additional requests until the account is paid in full. **You must approve any estimate of charges within ten (10) business days of the date the estimate is sent or the request will be considered withdrawn.**

CHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH A PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUEST VARY DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT OF RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS AND PERSONNEL TIME REQUIRED. GENERAL CHARGES ARE OUTLINED BELOW.

Single Sided, Black & White, 8.5x11" Paper	\$0.10	Per Paper Copy
11x17" or Other Oversized Paper, Not Including Maps & Photographs	\$0.50	Per Paper Copy
Plat Page	\$3.00	Per Plate Page
Compact Disc (CD)	\$1.00	Per CD
Digital Video Disc (DVD)	\$3.00	Per DVD
Personnel Time for Locating, Compiling and Reproducing Records	\$15.00	Per Hour (Charged in 30 Minute Increments) (if less than 50 pages of paper copies are requested, no personnel costs are charged, unless the documents are in two or more separate buildings or are stored remotely)

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Mailing Expenses, Speciality Papers (including but not limited to mylar, blueprints, maps, and photos), Off-Site Storage Retrieval	Actual Cost	Off-site storage costs (currently \$16.00 truck charge + \$2.00/box) Per retrieval and return
Charges not outlined here will be calculated according to the regulations and recommendations of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, the Texas Attorney General, and the Texas Administrative Code.		



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - F.

I. Subject:

Consider approval of Ordinance 600 deleting Section 16-117 of the City of Kennedale Code to delete the payment compensation to members of the Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

Staff is requesting to delete payment compensation to the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) as called out in Section 16-117 of the City Code. The Youth Advisory Council members receive volunteer hours for their service on the committee; and they do not provide policy recommendations to Council.

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments:

1.	Ordinance 600	Ordinance 600.docx
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ORDINANCE NO. 600

AN ORDINANCE DELETING SECTION 16-117 OF THE KENNEDALE CITY CODE TO DELETE THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kennedale has previously provided for compensation to members of the city council and certain other boards and commissions of the city for their service such that the members of those bodies will be immune from individual liability for common law torts under state law under Section 101.106 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code; and

WHEREAS, the Council now desires to delete the compensation to members of the Youth Advisory Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEDALE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

The Kennedale City Code is hereby amended by deleting Section 16-117 "Compensation" of Article IX "Youth Advisory Council" of Chapter 16 "Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Activities".

SECTION 2.

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Kennedale, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the city council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the city council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

SECTION 4.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AN APPROVED ON THIS 27th DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

APPROVE:

Mayor Brian Johnson

ATTEST:

City Secretary, Leslie Galloway

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Attorney, Wayne K. Olson



Staff Report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: June 27, 2016

Agenda Item No: EXECUTIVE SESSION - A.

I. Subject:

The City Council may meet in closed session at any time during the work session or the regular session, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code for consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct may conflict with the Open Meetings Act, including discussion on any item posted on the agenda.

B. The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for the following:

1. 108 New Hope Road
2. 6727 Hudson Village Creek

II. Originated by:

III. Summary:

IV. Fiscal Impact Summary:

V. Legal Impact:

VI. Recommendation:

VII. Alternative Actions:

VIII. Attachments: