



**MINUTES**  
**Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee**  
22358 S. Ellsworth Rd., Queen Creek, AZ  
San Tan Conference Room  
**April 10, 2018**  
6:00 p.m.

1. **Call To Order and Roll Call:** Meeting started at 6:03 p.m.

**PRAC Members present:** Dave Dobbs, Daniel Babcock (conference called in), Karl Kleinebreil, Adam Neville, Michael Shirley, Marvin Smith, David Sobeck, and Sylvia Tarin

**PRAC Members absent:** Dru Alberti, Cherie Richardson, and Eileen Koceja

**Staff present:** Scott McCarty-Finance Director, Adam Robinson-Recreation Superintendent, Alexis Ramirez-Recreation and Communications Analyst, Sarah Clark-Planner II, Constance Wilson-PIO, Brad Greer-Recreation Coordinator, and Mindy Corpstein-Financial Services Analyst

**Council Liaisons present:** n/a

**Public attendees:** Chris Behler-AZ Soccer Club, Pat Walker-consultant, and Tommy Sanfilippo-CLI

2. **Introductions:** Tommy Sanfilippo is a current CLI participant interested in QC recreation, parks, and trails.

3. **Public Comment:** None

4. **Items for Discussion:**

**A. Consideration and possible approval of the February 27, 2018 meeting minutes.**

**Motion to Approve:** Sylvia Tarin

**Second:** Marvin Smith

**Vote:** Approved; Unanimous

**B. Presentation and discussion of AZ Soccer Club close out report - Chris Behler (presentation attached)**

Highlights of the season include:

- Total Participants: 788
- 80% of coaches completed additional training sessions and earned coaching certifications.
- AZSC awards 2-4 families with scholarships each season.
- AZSC coaches and volunteers completed 1,911 hours of community service.
- 92% of survey takers stated the value of the AZSC was good or excellent.
- Common survey comments were:
  - Desire for 3 seasons of soccer in QC each year
  - Playing club soccer or other sport/activity
  - Families wanting more than a recreational soccer program for kids in QC

**Questions/Comments:**

- The spring season is held in Gilbert due to field space. In the winter, QC has enough field space for the league but spring season requires more field space.
- Clarification that total of 1,911 volunteer hours is just time spent on the field and does not include emails and managing teams.
- The end of seasons surveys are completed through survey monkey link, easiest and most convenient way to reach participant families.
- Concerns about limited field space in QC creating waitlist for participants and the league cannot expand beyond its current numbers.

**C. Presentation and discussion on the 2018 Queen Creek General Plan Update scheduled for a May 15 special election - Sarah Clark, Planner II (presentation attached)**

- The General Plan elements are:
  - Growth Area
  - Recreation, Parks and Open Space
  - Environmental
  - Water Resources
  - Economic Development
  - Cost of Development
  - Public Safety
  - Transportation
  - Land Use
- April 16 - voter registration deadline
- April 25 - mail in ballots received
- May 15 - ELECTION
- Find more information at [QueenCreek.org/PlanQC](http://QueenCreek.org/PlanQC)

**Questions/Comments:**

- If the plan does not pass in May, staff will have to restart the entire process meaning go back to the drawing board, see where we went wrong and redraft the general plan for another vote.

**D. Consideration and possible action on a recommendation to Town Council on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update - Scott McCarty, Finance Director (presentation attached)**

- There are two main discussion points to cover today
  - Parks impact fees
  - Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update LOS goal and aim to fund what part
- Support Ultimate Master Plan LOS Goal of 51 Improved Acres per 10K Residents

- For 10-Year Planning Purpose, Increase LOS to 40 by Improving All Acres Owned (261 Acres)

#### Questions/Comments:

- PRAC still wants to see the analysis for how many permits requiring impact fees are available. At what point will we shift to determine it is time to spend on parks and recreation? Hopefully before all the permits are granted.
- PRAC wants to see the chart that shows where the Town is growing in terms of home permits.
- Concerns over building out the 261 acres over the next 10 years and still only being at 62% complete.
- The Town Council discussed the impact fees related to parks at their March 7 meeting. The video is available online to gain a better perspective of the council's view on parks impact fees.
- Backed ourselves into a corner by letting the LOS be reduced to 21 acres per 10k population. The only way to increase the LOS beyond 21 acres is to use the Town's money.
- The state limits the amount of the impact fees and the Town Council determines the spending.
- Concerns over state restrictions for LOS. Transportation cannot improve traffic flow LOS with impact fees, can only expand roads to keep current traffic flow. Parks is more of an art as we can decide what the LOS will be. For instance, we know how many gallons every house will flush each day and the requirement and impact the house will have on the wastewater treatment plant.
- PRAC has an interest in seeking out public private partnership (PPP) to increase the LOS and help the Town build parks sooner.

#### **E. Presentation on Banner Ironwood Medical Center partnership - Adam, Recreation Superintendent (presentation attached)**

- Banner Ironwood Medical Center donated \$130,000 to the Town for inclusivity at Mansel Carter Oasis Park.
- The poured rubber surfacing will allow for everyone to play together and have access to the entire play area.

#### **F. Department Updates - Alexis Ramirez, Recreation and Communications Analyst Rec Annex**

- Registration opens on Monday, May 7 for residents and Monday, May 14 for non-residents
- Rex Annex Upgrades
  - New customer service setup
  - Annex Painting dates: May 25 - June 1 - limited or canceled programs, and front desk will remain open.

#### **Special Event**

- Cycle the Creek on Saturday, April 14 at Founders Park
  - Registration: 7:30 a.m. - 9 a.m.
  - Bike Ride: 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

#### **Partnerships**

- FPP Update: Reminder that this is the last year of the FPP program and although some events will continue, the Town is no longer an "official" partner after June 30.
- Little League Baseball and Heat Softball are in the middle of their spring seasons at Desert Mountain Park.

- Registrations are open for fall flag and tackle football through STYFL.
- The B&G Club is open for after school and summer camp registrations.
  - QCHS senior, Tyler Ruof was a top 3 finalist for the state Youth of the Year award.
- Adult Men's and Co-ed Softball through Paladin Sports is underway at Founders' Park. 8 teams are playing in each division on Saturdays and Monday evenings.
- We also have Adult Kickball taking place on Friday nights.

**G. Next PRAC meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2018.**

**5. Announcements:**

**6. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

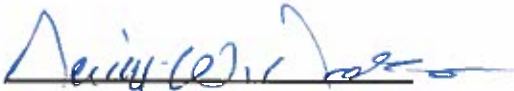
**Motion to adjourn:** Adam Neville

**Second:** Sylvia Tarin

**Vote:** Approved; Unanimous

**PREPARED BY: Alexis Ramirez on April 10, 2018**

**PASSED AND APPROVED: May 22, 2018**



**David Dobbs, PRAC Chair**