



## City of Lone Tree Citizen's Recreation Advisory Committee Agenda April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

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**Meeting Location:** City of Lone Tree Administration Building, Spruce Room, 9220 Kimmer Dr. Ste. 100  
**Meeting Procedure:** The Regular Session will be convened at 5:00 p.m. Contact Torie Brazitis at 303-708-1818 if special arrangements are needed to attend (at least 24 hours in advance).

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### 5:00 pm Regular Session Agenda

1. Call to Order
  2. Opening of Regular Meeting
  3. Public Comment
  4. Amendments to the Agenda and Adoption of the Agenda
  5. Approval of the February 9th, 2015 Meeting Minutes
  6. Staff Updates:
    - a. Pedestrian bridge design process update (Torie)
    - b. Bike lanes in 2015 (Torie)
    - c. Update on City summer events (Lesley)
  7. SSPRD Updates:
    - a. KP Weigh and Win Kiosk at Rec Center (Kelsey Whisler, Fitness and Wellness Supervisor)
  8. Committee Updates / Committee Member Dialogue
    - a. Discussion of Committee interest in holiday events
    - b. 2015 Committee ideas and projects of interest
  9. Adjournment
  10. Next Meeting – Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015
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## CITY OF LONE TREE

### MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONE TREE CITIZENS' RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014

A regular meeting of the Lone Tree Citizens' Recreation Advisory Committee was convened on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 5:00 p.m., at the Lone Tree Administrative Building located at 9220 Kimmer Drive, Lone Tree, Colorado 80124.

#### Attendees

Jay Carpenter	Chair
Angela Hardin	Committee Member
Gregg Sprigg	Douglas County Open Space Advisory Board
JoAnn Gould	Director, Recreation and Community Services, SSPRD
Chad Giron	Planner, SSPRD
Melissa Reese-Thacker	Planner, SSPRD
Deanna Heyn	Deputy Executive Director, SSPRD
Vicki Swiader	Vice-Chair
Levi Schroder	Committee Member
Alistair Green	Committee Member
Katie Beeler	Committee Member

#### Not in Attendance

Glen Horbeck	Committee Member
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#### City Staff

Torie Brazitis	Management Analyst
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#### Call to Order

Chair Carpenter called the meeting to order at 4:59 p.m. and noted a quorum was present.

#### Public Comment

There was no public comment.

#### Amendments to the Agenda and Approval of it

An update from Gregg Sprigg was added to the agenda, to be delivered after SSPRD updates were completed. There were no objections.

JoAnn asked to add an item to the SSPRD update section on Cook Creek Pool. There were no objections.

#### Minutes

Committee Member Schroeder moved to approve the October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 minutes. The Committee approved unanimously.

#### Staff Updates to Committee

Torie gave updates to the Committee on pedestrian bridge and community vision process.

### SSPRD Updates

SSPRD staff came to solicit feedback on future park at the detention area at Kimmer and Park Meadows Drive, in the City's Entertainment District. They said they understood the City didn't want to put in skate park or amphitheater as shown in ETD plan, and that there is no interest or ability to do athletic fields. Staff said development potential on that site is around the edges of that bowl, and asked the committee for ideas on what can be at this park. SSPRD said they see this as fitting in with their broader plans for connectivity and service to that corridor. Committee discussed the plan for the north side of Park Meadows Drive and for the overall entertainment district area. Staff and committee discussed opportunities for better trail connections on Douglas County side. Committee discussed a splash park, a gazebo structure over the water, activities complementary to biking and walking, and what specific objectives should be of this park design. SSPRD said they are abiding by the ETD plan overall, and will come back to update the Committee when they have more information on what's possible.

### *Cook Creek Update*

JoAnn from SSPRD said Cook Creek Pool opened in 2009 and has been successful. Last summer was 7% increase in daily visits. Over 50k people visited. There were six Lone Tree Days that each get 200-250 visitors – 58-60% of visitors on those days were Lone Tree residents. There has been 16% growth in the swim team over the last 3 years.

JoAnn said they need more shade, so SSPRD will come back to Committee to discuss that. Committee asked about rental fees for those. Joann said they'll bring back some proposals for consideration. She said lots of other water parks do charge because it moves people through shade structures faster, but she wouldn't know now what fees could be. Committee provided feedback on the plan that kids like grass on hot days, and that they had concerns how construction of shade structures would reduce grass there. It's very reasonable and good to use, though. SSPRD staff said they were pleased to hear it's working well, since they remembered some concern at onset that pool would be too big. Committee asked about homeowner complaints, SSPRD said there'd been some turnover and lots of work to reduce sound concerns.

### Douglas County Open Space Update

Gregg gave an update on Douglas County Open Space programs He recently got an update from Randy with Parks on the Schweiger Ranch trailhead on East-West trail, and that Douglas County Parks are having some problems with getting under the highway. Gregg also said he talked with Mark Giebel, head of Highlands Ranch Backcountry, to see if there were any way to arrange access for Lone Tree residents to their trails, but there's no solution now to that.

### Committee Member Discussion

#### *Holiday Events*

Committee Member Schroeder asked for discussion over the events Lone Tree offers residents in the holiday season. He saw that other communities offered events to their residents, and wondered what our opportunities for that were. Examples of those in other communities or from HOAs were:

- Festivals
- Ice skating rink
- Downtown Denver has Christmas village with German beer tent
- Charter HOA sponsors a sleigh ride with Clydesdales
- Something like Wassil days in Frisco, which is done through their Chamber

Committee discussed that many people enjoy those experience together, outside. A discussion was held on opportunities:

- Special Arts Center concerts with family pricing

- Hay rides through entertainment areas
- Winter Taste of Lone Tree-like event with stops at pubs and bars
- Partnering with the Arts Guild on their tree lighting

Committee discussed the holidays as a potential opportunity to do a big event beyond 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Torie talk with Lesley, and connect the Committee with the Arts Guild for more information on the Christmas Tree lighting and how the Committee can partner.

#### *Ideas for 2015 Committee Projects*

Continuing from 2014 are pedestrian bridge, KP walk and wheel grant, east-west trail extension, and HEAL communities work.

- Committee Member Green asked what we do about sports for children younger than five years old here. JoAnn said SSPRD is willing try anything here, and explained that programs exist for this. Committee expressed concerns with regional nature of SSPRD leagues, and expressed interest in educational sport opportunities for younger children. SSPRD staff they do have a Lone Tree-based t-ball program, along with flag football practices. Committee members provided additional feedback on their own experiences with SSPRD programming for younger children, expressing concerns over the lack of all-day programs and positive comments on a program last summer that had tennis and swimming together at Cook Creek.
- Committee Member Beeler discussed the possibilities of bringing a Cyclocross race to Lone Tree. She said these are a blend between mountain bikes and road bikes, and their races usually take place in an area that's not going to be developed. Most races are north in Boulder, but a few in Castle Rock and Parker. They have been done in Centennial, and race promoters before have approached SSPRD. Torie recommended that the Committee Member Beeler assess this area and pick a couple locations that would work well for that and then talk about them with her, as approvals are determined by where it would be or go. Committee said they were interested what the opportunities would be here for races, with our demographics; maybe businesses can do teams.
- Bluffs appreciation day
- Bike sharing program
- Trail signage program

Committee Member Green nominated Chair Carpenter to be Chair again in 2015. This nomination was approved unanimously. Committee Member Swiader nominated Committee Member Green for Vice-Chair, and the nomination was also approved unanimously.

#### Adjournment

Committee Member Schroeder moved to adjourn, Committee Member Swiader seconded, and Chair Carpenter adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

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