Parks, Recreation + Tree Commission

June 2026 Minutes - DRAFT

Monday, June 8, 2026

The Parks, Recreation + Tree (PRT) Commission met at Mohawk Park on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Chair Nicole Sullivan (Ward I) and Vice-Chair Sarah Emanuels (Ward III). Commission Members Katie Anderson (Ward I), Dustin Wolfe (Ward I), Jacque Gameson (Ward IV), Lyndsey Kratzberg (Ward IV), Max Grisnik (Ward II), Cindy Long (Ward IV), Chris Schlenker (Ward III), Sarah Grittmann (Ward II),
Council Liaisons: Councilmember Sam Komosa, Councilmember Cheryl Carpenter-Davis
Staff: Penn Almoney, Parks and Recreation Director
Not in Attendance: Tia Mirocke (Ward III),
Guest: Elliot Anderson

Call To Order. Chair Nicole Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Review:

Approval of Minutes. The Minutes from the May 11, 2026, Parks, Recreation + Tree Commission Meeting were reviewed. **Chris** motioned to approve the minutes, **Katie** seconded**. Minutes were approved 13-0**

Review:

Positive Improvements:
Laura Smith sent a wonderful thank you email to **Nicole** and the PRT for sharing the commission's goals and objectives with City Council. **Nicole** thanked those who attended the meeting and for all the work put into the document.

Penn reported key performance indicators from **Taylor** about the Mission parks: 136,000 passes between all parks for Jan-Jun 1 (passes as in people who pass by the counter). There was a peak of 2,282 at Waterworks Park in 1 day. Water Works gets 32% of distribution of 136,000 passes. Mohawk gets 25% distribution.

Cindy complimented the Unlock Summer Fun June events email and how well written it was. **Jacque** noted the cookie decorating class coming at the end of June is a great class to take!

Cindy questioned how the Mohawk Wi-Fi is. **Penn** answered that they are waiting on Google fiber for installation progress. The previous provider was T-Mobile and staff are switching to Google Fiber for a lower cost and better coverage.

Sustainability Commission Liaison: **Nicole** finalized a new schedule with the Sustainability Commission chair that will be adopted beginning in June and for the remainder of the year. October will be the next

Sustainability Commission meeting that the PRT attends. A Sustainability Commission liaison will be attending the PRT meetings in August and November.

Discussion:

Maintenance Items:

The Bioswale at Broadmoor is being managed by Embassy Landscape throughout the duration of Mission Market. They put in mulch and took out everything in the circle drive area. **Penn i**s frustrated due to their lack of response.

Special Project Subcommittee Meeting Updates:

Tree IDs (TreeKeepers): **Dustin** shared a thank you to **Chris, Jacque, and Max** for showing up early to help identify tree plaque needs. **Jacque** and **Dustin** walked through the park last Monday and detailed recommendations for tree plaques as well. Next steps are **Chris** doing a walk in Water Works and **Dustin** will try to upload tree plaque pictures into TreeKeepers. The goal is to have a solid list of Tree ID recommendations for the Commission to review by September.

Tree Drive **– Penn** reached out to Bridging the Gap (BTG) and they are tracking down available species for this Fall's tree drive. **Penn** declined the redbud trees as an option because Mission is saturated with them. **Jacque** noted we're overpopulated with maples too. The plan is to have the same pricing as last year with 75 total trees available to purchase this year. The drive will be open to residents first and after delivery of trees will be opened to non-residents. **Jacque** suggests once we have species/pricing that we provide a brochure with information at the Mission tent at Mission Market and for the Sustainability Commission**. Lyndsey** said Merriam has options to pay for someone to plant the tree for you and asked if that is an option for Mission**. Penn** answered that Mission staff does not have the bandwidth and it is an increased cost from BTG to set up that option, so it was not included.

PRT at Mission Market June 4 review – there was a great turnout, great swag and engaging content on the table, the display was very fun and eye-catching, lots of interest and enjoyment of the spinning wheel. Members recommend more kid-focused prizes. **Lyndsey** mentioned there is potential for a scavenger hunt/bingo/kids' activity.

Mission Family Picnic Volunteers – Sat July 18 6-10pm – **Penn** needs volunteers for the event at Broadmoor. The following members volunteered: **Chris** (hotdogs), **Cindy, and Cheryl**

Next Park – Broadmoor Park

Jacque pointed out that **Penn** and **Max** are FIFA volunteers. She would like to highlight this in the Mission Magazine or newsletter

Upcoming Notes and Meetings

Fri, Jun 12: 9PM – Movie in the Park "Princess Diaries PG" | Mohawk
Wed Jun 17: 7PM – City Council Meeting
Thu Jun 25: 6PM – Matchday at the Market | Broadmoor
Fri Jun 26: 7-10PM – Moonlight swim (all ages) | MFAC
Wed Jul 8: 6:30PM – Community Dev Cmte
Fri Jul 10: 6-10PM – Under the Sea Pool Party | MFAC
Mon Jul 13: 6PM – PRT meeting – At Broadmoor Park

Thu Aug 20: 4:30PM – Mission Market PRT

Adjournment:
Sarah E. moved to adjourn the meeting; **Cindy** seconded the motion. **Motion passed 13-0.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Faithfully submitted by Sarah Emanuels, secretary pro tempore.