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**CITY OF DALLAS PARK ADVISORY BOARD  
September 30, 2014, Meeting Minutes**

1 Members: Mike Arras, Mike Wilson, Randy Schmidt, David Solvedt, Wendy Sparks,  
2 Andy Groh. Absent: Sue Rohde

3 Staff members present were: City Manager Ron Foggin, Park Supervisor Ron  
4 Lines, and Recording Secretary Jeremy Teal.

5 Community Planning Workshop members: Anya Doborowski, Bjorn Gripenburg,  
6 and Andrew Jepson-Sullivan.

7 Chair Groh called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

8 **FORD INSTITUTE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM PRESENTATION**

9 Joe Koubek, 565 SE Mifflin St., Dallas, noted the Ford Institute project would install  
10 lighting upgrades in the Falls City lower park and historically relevant signs along  
11 the Rickreall Creek Trail. He stated that three signs would be placed at LaCreole  
12 Drive, Main Street, and Levens Street. He commented the goal was to raise  
13 \$5000 for the project.

14 **DISCUSS PARK MASTER PLAN**

15 Ms. Doborowski, Project Manager, gave an overview of the process and where  
16 the board was headed. She outlined a few statistics noting that 100% of the  
17 stakeholders were interviewed, 47 people attended the Kingsborough Park  
18 Open House, 3,104 people visited the website, and 150 people were reached at  
19 Summerfest.

20 She gave a brief overview of the household survey results, stating 47% of  
21 respondents were female, 65% were of the adult category aged 25-64, 97%  
22 were white, 4% were Latino, 48% of the households were middle class with  
23 incomes ranging from \$50,000-\$100,000, 81% were satisfied with parks, 85%  
24 walked to the park, 73% rode bicycles, and 66% drove. She noted most people  
25 were unfamiliar with the smaller parks in Dallas and an identity for each park  
26 needed to be created. She advised that senior, youth, and Hispanic populations  
27 were growing. She commented that citizens wanted a safe place to walk and  
28 bike.

1 A mission statement was discussed among the board members and it was  
2 decided that Mr. Gripenburg would compile the feedback and construct a  
3 mission statement.

4 There was discussion regarding the goals and strategies for the city parks among  
5 the board members. Mr. Gripenburg would compile the information and report  
6 back to the board next meeting.

7 **BREAK**

8 There was discussion regarding the possibilities for the Kingsborough Park and  
9 the amenities that could be added, from a larger shelter, a fishing pond and  
10 restrooms. Ms. Doborowski agreed to compile the information and report back  
11 to the board next meeting.

12 Ms. Doborowski noted the surveys needed to be turned in by October 15. She  
13 stated the next meetings would be Tuesday, October 21 at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday,  
14 November 18 at 5:30 p.m., and no December meeting.

15 **ADJOURN**

16 Chair Groh adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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