



KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
CITY HALL EAST - CONFERENCE ROOM C, 300 W MAIN STREET
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA ITEMS

- [1.](#) Review Minutes from March 12, 2024 KGPB Commission Meeting
- [2.](#) Fundraising and Application Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship
- [3.](#) KGPB Award Ceremony Updates
- [4.](#) The Greatest American Cleanup
- [5.](#) Clean Prairie Fall Sweep Participation and Needs
- [6.](#) Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting
- [7.](#) Upcoming Events List

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens may speak during Citizen Comments for up to five minutes on any item not on the agenda by completing and submitting a speaker card.

ADJOURNMENT

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Certification

In accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter C of the Government Code, V.T.C.A, the Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Commission agenda was prepared and posted June 7, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amanda Maron".

Amanda Maron



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: Review Minutes from March 12, 2024 KGPB Commission Meeting
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

ANALYSIS:
Commissioners will review the minutes from the March 12, 2024 meeting and then approve them.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:
None



KEEP GRAND PRAIRIE BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
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TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Brandi Bastas called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

KGPB Commission Members Present

Brandi Bastas Veronica Crawford Marcela Gonzalez Gregory Hamilton
 Ann Stevenson

KGPB Commission Members Absent

Stephanie Brown Darren Ferrar Kevin Jazak Chelsea Pavey

City Staff Present

Amanda Maron – KGPB Coordinator
 Rose Chavez – Solid Waste and Recycling Manager

Guests

None

AGENDA ITEMS

Review of Minutes from December 12, 2023 KGPB Commission Meeting – Marcela Gonzales made a motion to approve the December 12, 2023 minutes as written. Ann Stevenson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Greatest American Cleanup – Amanda Maron shared information about the three-year campaign from Keep America Beautiful that is meant to celebrate the USA’s 250th birthday by reducing litter and increasing community beautification. The campaign was presented to the Public Health Advisory Committee and the city’s participation was supported.

Fundraising and Application Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship – Amanda Maron shared that applications have been open since September and the deadline is March 28th for submitting applications. To increase applications, Amanda searched for 16 to 19 year olds volunteer profiles in Better Impact and invited them to apply. Brandi and Ann volunteered to score applications. Amanda said she would ask Chelsea, who had previously scored applications, if she was interested.

Brandi Bastas continues work on the Silent Auction materials. Donations have been received from the Fort Worth Museum, Botanical Gardens, Chicken N Pickle, Lone Star Park, and Total Wine & More. Ann Stevenson is putting together a gardening gift basket with gift cards from Pat’s Plants and Home Depot. Sara Dedeluk has agreed to complete the auction cards for the event.

KGPB Award Ceremony Updates – Amanda Maron presented the floor plan for the KGPB Volunteer Appreciation Awards including requesting the Commission to assist with the evening. Each awardee will receive two free tickets. Additional tickets will be sold through the Uptown Theater at \$2 each, benefitting the KGPB Scholarship.

Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting – Amanda Maron shared a PowerPoint featuring the Commission financial updates, several volunteer events, and several educational events. Notable items include:

The Commission has \$6,282.49 available in the trust fund.

The 2nd Annual Seed Swap took place in December for the community and in January for City staff. Everyone enjoyed the experience.

Four Adopt-a-Stream cleanups were completed, resulting in the removal of 4,300 pounds of litter and debris by 200 volunteers. Sites included: Cedar Creek at Friendship Park, Primrose Ct., Beacon Branch, Fish Creek Cleanup Challenge, and Johnson Creek.

Garden classes were hosted including a fruit tree pruning class with Susan Henson of Trinity Blacklands Urban Forestry Council, a seed starting class, and a pocket prairies & pollinator gardens class with KGPB Commissioner, Marcela Gonzalez.

Upcoming Events List – A list of upcoming events list was distributed, and Commissioners are invited to ‘Save the Date’ for the KGPB Award Ceremony and Silent Auction taking place on May 2, 2024. The Commission was asked to help host outreach booths at the Farmer’s Market Opening Weekend and the Marty Party. The KTB Annual Conference is virtual this year and invited the Commission the Landfill Conference Room the mornings of June 24th, 25th, and 26th to attend.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Brandi Bastas adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: Fundraising and Application Updates for the KGPB Commission Scholarship

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will share updates from fundraising activities and updates on the application process.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: KGPB Award Ceremony Updates
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will request feedback about the May 2, 2024 KGPB Volunteer Appreciation Awards.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: The Greatest American Cleanup
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will share updates for the city will fulfill the participation requirements for the Greatest American Cleanup Program from Keep America Beautiful.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: Clean Prairie Fall Sweep Participation and Needs
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will present the Clean Prairie Fall Sweep event and request participation from the Commission.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: Summary of Events Since Previous Meeting
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will share a summary of events that have occurred since the March 12, 2024 meeting.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None

Coordinator's Report

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Recent Happenings

- Commission Accounts

Lawson Actv	Name	Dept	Lawson Unit	Fund	9/30/23 Balance	Rev	Exp	4/30/24 Balance
KGPB	KGPB Commissions	11	330293	3302	1,064.40	-	-	1,064.40
PROJ	KGPB Youth Scholarship Fund	11	330493	3304	6,282.49	-	-	6,282.49

- Big Event
- Earth Day Fest and Main Street Fest
- Adopt-a-Stream Cleanups
- CREW Camp at GP Landfill
- KGPB Volunteer Appreciation Awards



City of Grand Prairie - Municipal Government

March 7 · 🌐

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful invites you to Friendship Park to clean up Cedar Creek on Saturday, March 16, 9 a.m.-noon. This is primarily a land-based cleanup, but a small number of kayaks will be available to ensure that litter is collected from the entire creek. Register: at <http://btrr.im/i2cc2>

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Kayak Cleanup at Friendship Park



City of Grand Prairie - Municipal Government

March 23 · 🌐

Our community is the best! More than 1,500 volunteers came together today for a day of community service at 100+ sites across Grand Prairie as part of The Big Event - a City tradition since 2018. A huge thank you to everyone who made this possible! #GPBigEvent #TheBigEvent



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CREW Camps



New, experienced, and not yet gardeners are invited to tour several of the city of Grand Prairie Community Gardens on Saturday, April 20th between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. See where your neighbors grow over 7,000 pounds of fresh produce for donations as well as additional produce for their families. The event does not require registration and is a come and go event. You may visit one garden or all of the gardens depending on your interest. At each garden, you will have the opportunity to ask Garden Leaders questions and can even choose to join a garden on the same day! More information about the Community Garden Program and the Community Garden Open House is available at www.gptx.org/kgpb or calling 972-237-4546

#CommunityGardens #GardeningEvent #CommunityEvent
#KeepGrandPrairieBeautiful

The graphic features a background image of a person in a blue shirt working in a garden. Overlaid on this is a green leafy branch graphic. The text 'Community Garden Open House' is written in white across the leaves. Below this, the date and time 'Saturday, April 20 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.' are listed. Further down, contact information is provided: 'For more information: www.gptx.org/kgpb (972) 237-4546'. At the bottom, the 'Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful' logo is displayed, with 'KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE' written below it. Two circular inset images show close-ups of hands working in the soil and a person kneeling in a garden.

Community Garden Open House

Saturday, April 20
8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

For more information:
www.gptx.org/kgpb
(972) 237-4546

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful
KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE



Join Student Herbalist and Lockett Community Gardener, Abigail Zabala, as she shares how you can create your own herbal remedies using plants grown in the home garden. Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful is hosting the class at the Main Library.

Email Josh at jrudd@gptx.org to register.

[#HerbalRemedies](#) [#HomeGarden](#) [#CommunityGardening](#)
[#GardeningClass](#) [#KeepGrandPrairieBeautiful](#)

Herbal Wellness and Remedies by Abigail Zabala

Student Herbalist and Lockett Community Gardener

Main Library, 901 Conover Dr

Saturday, May 4

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.



Grand
Prairie
LIBRARIES
Educate Everyone
Keep
Grand Prairie
Beautiful
KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL. GARDEN.

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Earth Day Fest Booth





City of Grand Prairie - Municipal Government

April 23 · 🌐

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Rain or shine 🌞☁️ Earth Day shined bright!
The rain only added to the magic of celebrating our beautiful planet
this past Saturday. #EarthDay



Main Street Fest Litter Team





Congratulations to our 2024 KGPB Volunteer Award recipients! 🏆 Your hard work and love for GP make our mission possible in Keeping Grand Prairie Beautiful. Explore the award photos and recognitions: <https://shorturl.at/dEY8>



Congratulations to our 2024 Volunteer Award Recipients!



KGPB Scholarship Award

- Dannya Vasquez
- Virginia Hinojosa

Commissioners' Choice Award

Abigail Zabala

Green and Clean Campus Program Awards

Elementary Educator of the Year - Ericka Tinney

Secondary Educator of the Year - Hai Pham

Elementary Campus of the Year - Marshall Leadership Academy

Secondary Campus of the Year - DATA at Adams Middle School

Adopt-a-Street Gold Star Recognition

City of Grand Prairie Landfill

Journey to Ignite 2025

Lindsey Wilhite

Lockheed Martin MFC ELDP

Nottingham Neighbors Club

Pratt & Whitney Services, Inc.

Richard Delmark

Robert, VanDella, William & Richard Menifee & Friends

SGP ECHS BETA Club

SGPHS JROTC

Community Garden Produce Donation Award

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- CrossPoint Community Garden
- Summit Conservatory and Garden
- The HAVEN Community Garden

Community Gardener of the Year

Mike Hutchins

KGPB Commission

Sponsors

- Billy Bob's
- Bolder Adventure Park
- Chicken N Pickle
- Cowtown Coliseum
- Epic Waters Indoor Waterpark
- Fort Worth Botanical Gardens
- Fort Worth Museum
- Grand Prairie Tourism
- Lone Star Park
- Main Event
- Nottingham Bees
- Ripley's Believe It or Not!
- Grand Prairie Solid Waste & Recycling Dept
- Total Wine & More

Adopt-a-Street Good Standing Recognition

A Daughter's Love OES No. 82
 Advantage Academy Grand Prairie East
 All Mighty Koop and Mama O
 Arlington Collegiate High School
 Barbra Thomas
 Brandon R Tillmon Sr
 Control Products Corporation
 Cub Scout Pack 597
 Curtis, Rhonda and Caleb Crowder
 DCHS NHS
 Dr. Rho on the Go
 Epic Waters Indoor Waterpark
 Evan and Skylar Segovia
 Explore the Prairie
 First Baptist Church Grand Prairie
 Gage Bond Overton
 Girl Scout Troop #3559
 Girl Scout Troop #6888
 Girl Scout Troop GPWE
 Grand Prairie Police Department
 Grimaldo-Bocanegra Family
 Holt/Harvey Family
 I-20 Riders
 John Briggs Family
 Johnston Family Debbi, Kayla, and Stuart
 Kena, Lucca & Alessandro
 LATICRETE International, Inc.
 Le Family

Matthew & Olivia Wolston
 National Hookup of Black Women, Inc. Mid Cities Chapter
 New Day Masonic Lodge #655
 Oletu Family
 Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.
 PGCS Pepsi
 Queen Esther Ch. #30 OES
 Red Bee Media
 Ron & Rebecca Jensen
 Ryan Lusk
 SGP Baseball
 SGP Friends of Rachel
 SGP Interact Club
 Sons of Hiram Lodge 007
 Street Wise Driving School
 TD Foundation
 Tim Bordelon State Farm Insurance
 Tokunbo & Ayo Fasoro
 Wayne & Kaye Gilbert



Adopt-a-Stream with NTRR



Adopt-a-Stream with Xylem



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 06/11/2024
REQUESTER: Amanda Maron
PRESENTER: Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator
TITLE: Upcoming Events List
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

ANALYSIS:

KGPB Coordinator will share a list of upcoming events hosted by KGPB and related organizations.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Events

Updated for June 1, 2024

Item 7.

Gardening Classes and Events, Registration: awyche@gptx.org

- Saturday, June 8** **2 p.m. – 3 p.m.** **Grow Heat Loving Veggies with Less Water with Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator** Main Library, 901 Conover Dr
- *Saturday, July 13** **2 p.m. – 3 p.m.** **Integrated Pest Management with Dallas County Agrilife Extension Service** Main Library, 901 Conover Dr
- *New date to be announced due to change in speaker availability
- Saturday, August 10** **2 p.m. – 3 p.m.** **Compost 101 with Amanda Maron, KGPB Coordinator** Main Library, 901 Conover Dr
- Saturday, September 7** **2 p.m. – 3 p.m.** **Growing Flowers from Bulbs in North Texas with Patrick Greenwade, CrossPoint Community Gardener and Amazon Author** Main Library, 901 Conover Dr

Volunteer Opportunities, Info & Registration: <http://btrr.im/i2cc2>

- Wednesday, June 12** **8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** **Adopt-a-Stream with Richemont CSR Interns** Play Grand Adventures, 2985 Epic Place
- Saturday, June 15** **9 a.m. – 1 p.m.** **Adopt-a-Stream Mountain Creek Lake with NTRR** Mi Familia Park, 2402 Cardiff St
- Friday, June 21** **8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** **Adopt-a-Cemetery with Republic Services Environmental Solutions** Vernoy Cemetery, 3732 Boxwood Dr
- Friday, July 12** **8 a.m. – 11 a.m.** **Adopt-a-Stream Walnut Creek Paddling Trail with Google Data Center** Loyd Park, 3401 Ragland Rd
- Saturday, July 13** **8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** **Adopt-a-Stream with Richemont CSR** TBD
- Saturday, September 21** **8 a.m. – 12 p.m.** **3rd Annual Clean Prairie Fall Sweep** Registration: TBA

Outreach Opportunities, Information: amaron@gptx.org

- Thursday, September 5** **5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.** **Green and Clean Campus Program Kickoff** Crosswinds High School, 1100 N Carrier Pkwy

Meetings and Trainings, Information: www.gptx.org/boardsandcommissions

- June 24, 25, 26** **8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** **Keep Texas Beautiful Virtual Conference** www.ktb.org
- Saturday, June 29** **2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.** **Garden Leader Meeting** Landfill Conference Room, 1102 MacArthur Blvd
- Tuesday, September 10** **6:00 p.m.** **KGPB Commission Meeting**

Questions and information: amaron@gptx.org or 972-237-4546