



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Monday, October 02, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Commission Members

Paul Fushille, Chair
Matthew Fougerat, Vice Chair
Olivia Barnard
Hope Boatright
Kristy Caldwell
Dustin Cloutier
Christian Krueger
Joe Wright

City Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz
Deputy City Secretary Cathy Gieselman
DSRP Program Coordinator Caylie Houchin
DSRP Manager Emily Nelson

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

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MINUTES

- 1. Approval of the August 28, 2023, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

BUSINESS

- 2. Discuss and consider approval of the 2024 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting calendar.**
- 3. Discuss and consider a recommendation regarding Rules Signage to be displayed at the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark.**
- 4. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding Amendments to Chapter 16; Article 16.02: Parks and Recreation Code of Ordinances.**
- 5. Discuss and consider approval of the Rock Snake community activity at Sports and Recreation Park.**
- 6. Discuss and consider approval of possible staff direction on current and future projects within the parks system.**

REPORTS

The following reports relate to the planning and administration of the City's Parks & Recreation Program. The commission may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

- 7. Parks & Community Services Report**
Andrew Binz, PCS Director
- 8. Aquatics & Athletics Report**
Mack Rusick, Aquatics & Athletics Manager
- 9. Community Events Report**
Johnna Krantz, Community Events Coordinator
- 10. Farmers Market Report**
Charlie Reed, Farmers Market Manager
- 11. Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center Report**
Emily Nelson, DSRP Manager

PARKS STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports relate to the administration of the City's Parks. The Commission may provide staff direction; however no action may be taken.

- 12. Veterans Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioner Kristy Caldwell
- 13. Charro Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners Paul Fushille and Matt Fougerat
- 14. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioner Hope Boatright

- 15. **Founders Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioners Olivia Barnard and Joe Wright
- 16. **Rathgeber Natural Resources Park Committee**
Commissioners Kristy Caldwell, Paul Fushille, and Matthew Fougerat
- 17. **Sports & Recreation Park Committee**
Commissioners Dustin Cloutier and Christian Krueger

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings

November 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
December 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

October 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
October 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
November 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
November 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION & POSTING OF MEETING

All agenda items listed above are eligible for discussion and action unless otherwise specifically noted. This notice of meeting is posted in accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes. Annotated. In addition, the Commission may consider a vote to excuse the absence of any Commissioner for absence from this meeting.

*I certify that this notice of meeting was posted at the City of Dripping Springs City Hall and website, www.cityofdrippingsprings.com, on **September 29, 2023 at 1:30 PM.***

City Secretary

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Monday, August 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Fushille called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Paul Fushille, Chair
Hope Boatright
Kristy Caldwell
Dustin Cloutier
Christian Krueger

Commission Members absent were:

Matthew Fougerat, Vice Chair
Olivia Barnard
Joe Wright

City Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz
City Attorney Laura Mueller
Planning Director Tory Carpenter
Deputy City Secretary Cathy Gieselman

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No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

1. **Approval of the August 7, 2023, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Caldwell to approve the August 7, 2023, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Boatright seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

BUSINESS

2. **Update and possible discussion on the approved changes to the Parkland Dedication Ordinance.**

Tory Carpenter provided a presentation which is on file and addressed questions from Commissioners. It was noted that the overview page should have read “previous” where it read “current” and on the Single Family & Multifamily Examples it should have read “previous” where it read “current” and “current” where it read “proposed” as City Council had already approved the changes.

3. **Presentation and discussion on the future Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark rules and ordinances.**

Andy Binz provided a presentation which is on file and addressed questions from Commissioners. Andy will incorporate input received regarding park rules in the final draft which he will revisit with Dennis Baldwin with DS Skatepark Inc. and will come back to the Parks & Recreation Commission in October.

4. **Update and possible discussion on the drought and irrigation issues at Sports & Recreation Park and Founders Memorial Park.**

Andy Binz provided a presentation which is on file and addressed questions from Commissioners.

Discuss and consider approval of the Appointment of Commission Chair and Vice Chair for a term of one (1) year.

- a. Chair
- b. Vice Chair

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright to appoint Commissioner Fushille as Chair and Commissioner Fougerat as Vice Chair for terms of one (1) year to expire June 30, 2024. Commissioner Cloutier seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

REPORTS

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Reports are on file and available for review upon request.

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Andrew Binz, PCS Director
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No reports provided.

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Commissioner Kristy Caldwell
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The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings

October 2, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

November 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

December 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

September 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

September 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

October 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

October 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Cloutier to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Boatright seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
 PO Box 384
 511 Mercer Street
 Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Submitted By: Cathy Gieselman, Deputy City Secretary

Commission Meeting Date: October 2, 2023

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider approval of the 2024 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting calendar.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz, Parks & Community Services Director

Summary/Background: Each year the City Secretary prepares the next year's meeting calendar for approval by the Commission. Meeting dates are scheduled using the frequency as stated in the Commission ordinance. The PRC ordinance calls for meetings on a regular basis but not less than once every two months. Meetings are currently scheduled for 6:00 p.m., the 1st Monday of each month, at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Due to conflicts with Parks Staff Activities and the availability of Monthly Reports, staff is proposing an alternate calendar for meetings on the 3rd Thursday of each month in addition to the regular meeting calendar for the 1st Monday of each month. Attached for review are the proposed 2024 meeting calendars with approved city holidays; PRC meetings are highlighted in **green**.

2024 Calendar – 1st Monday

If meetings are held on the 1st Monday, the January and September meetings conflict with CODS holidays and need to be rescheduled. Below are proposed meeting dates for these meetings, or the Commission may select to cancel these meetings. Meetings may also be rescheduled throughout the year as the Commission sees fit.

- January 1st: meeting is on New Year's Day
 - Proposed meeting date of *Thursday, January 11th*
- September 2nd: meeting is on Labor Day
 - Proposed meeting date of *Monday, September 16th*

2024 Calendar – 3rd Thursday

If the Commission selects to change meetings to the 3rd Thursday of each month, there are no conflicts with CODS Holidays.

Commission Recommendations: Staff recommends approval of the calendar as presented. Should there be any changes to meeting dates, please provide for those changes in a motion.

Attachments:

1. PRC 2024 Proposed Calendar for 1st Monday
2. PRC 2024 Proposed Calendar for 3rd Thursday

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Update calendar if any changes
2. Add meetings to calendars:
 - a. Commission, Staff and City Council Member liaison(s)
 - b. City website main calendar
 - c. Municode Agenda (automatically populates Agendas and Minutes webpage with upcoming meetings)
3. Provide final calendar to Commission, Staff and City Council Members

2024 Parks & Recreation Commission

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CITY HOLIDAYS

DSISD HOLIDAYS

PRC Meetings

- 01/01/24 Regular Meeting
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- 03/04/24 Regular Meeting
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- 05/06/24 Regular Meeting
- 06/03/24 Regular Meeting
- 07/01/24 Regular Meeting
- 08/05/24 Regular Meeting
- 09/02/24 Regular Meeting
- 10/07/24 Regular Meeting
- 11/04/24 Regular Meeting
- 12/02/24 Regular Meeting

Conflict

- 01/01/24
- 09/02/24

Possible Re-schedule dates

- Thursday, 1/11/24 (staff recommends)
- Monday, 9/16/24 (staff recommends)

2024

Parks & Recreation Commission

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STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
PO Box 384
511 Mercer Street
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Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Date: October 2, 2023

Agenda Item Wording: Discuss and consider approval of a recommendation regarding the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark Rules.

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Summary/Background:

With the anticipated construction of the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark in 2024, staff is recommending adopting rules that would regulate the use of the skatepark and be displayed onsite.

Staff

Recommendations:

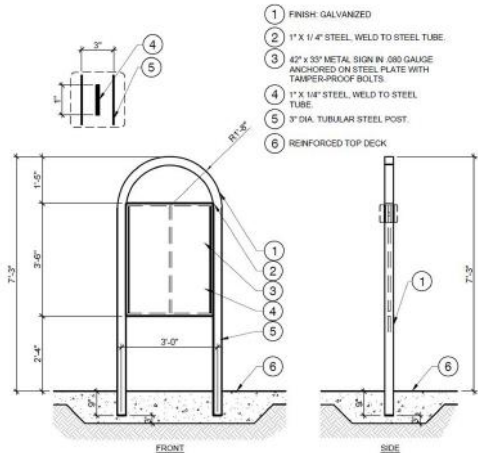
Approve a recommendation to City Council to adopt rules to be displayed at the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark.

Attachments:

Skatepark Rules document
SPA Presentation – Skatepark Rules

Next Steps/Schedule:

If recommended to City Council, it will be placed on the October 17th agenda for consideration.



RULES & REGULATIONS SIGN

Code of Conduct:

I agree to follow these guidelines to encourage a safe environment for all park participants.

No Hate Just Skate: This skate park is an all-inclusive environment. Everyone is welcome regardless of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, creed, economic status, or abilities.

All Skill Levels Welcome: The skate park has been designed for all skill levels. Ride within your abilities and be considerate of other riders. Look before you go, do not drop in on others, and wait your turn!

Show Respect: Be courteous and respectful to other people using the skate park and all other park patrons.

Visitors Need to Know:

Protective safety equipment that properly fits is strongly encouraged to be worn while using the skate park.

The skate park is unsupervised, and users ride at their own risk.

Motorized toys, equipment, ramps, boxes, or other unauthorized obstacles are not allowed in the park.

Parents / guardians are responsible for supervising their children.

Spectators and pedestrians should not enter the skate area.

Make sure your riding equipment is in good working condition.

Inspect the park before use, stay off surfaces when wet or otherwise hazardous.

Do not leave possessions unattended.

The skate park is open to bikes, skateboards, scooters, in-line skates, and other non-motorized wheeled vehicles.

Skate Park Rules:

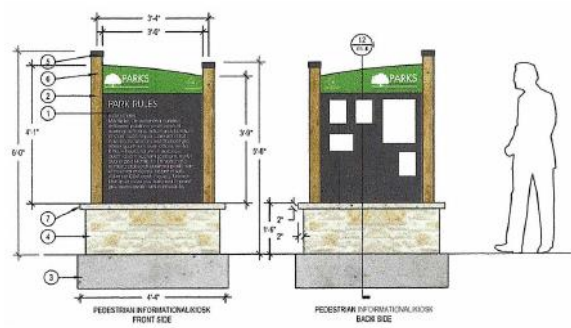
No glass containers. No alcohol or drugs. No loud music. No vandalism. No soliciting. No fires. No motorized vehicles. No littering. No sleeping. No unpermitted events or vending. Leash and clean up after your dog.

Hours of Operation:

Summer (April 1- November 15): 5 A.M. to 11 P.M.

Winter (November 16 - March 31): 7 A.M. to 10 P.M.

RULES & REGULATIONS SIGN TEXT



PRECEDENT IMAGES - SITE FURNISHINGS

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS SKATE PARK
 FOUNDERS MEMORIAL PARK | DRIPPING SPRINGS, TX | MAY 2023



Skatepark Rules

1. Hours are Dawn to Dusk: This skate park is not equipped with lighting and is closed once the sun goes down.
2. Protective safety equipment that properly fits is strongly encouraged to be worn while using the skatepark.
3. The skatepark is unsupervised; and users ride at their own risk.
4. Parents/Guardians are responsible for their children; children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult.
5. The skate park is open to bikes, skateboards, scooters, in-line skates, and other non-motorized wheeled vehicles.
6. Animals, other than service animals, are not allowed on the skatepark surface.
7. Motorized and electric toys, equipment, ramps, boxes or other unauthorized obstacles are not allowed.
8. No modifications to existing ramps or additional obstacles or materials allowed.
9. Competitive events, demonstrations or private lessons require prior approval of the Parks & Community Services Department.
10. No graffiti or defacing the property.
11. No gum, food or drinks on the skatepark surface.
12. The skatepark is considered closed during inclement weather (rain, lightning, sleet, snow, etc.).
13. The City reserves the right to close the skate park at any time, including for programmed events.
14. All other City of Dripping Springs Park rules apply.



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
PO Box 384
511 Mercer Street
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Date: October 2, 2023

Agenda Item Wording: Discuss and consider approval of a recommendation regarding an update to Chapter 16; Article 16.02: Parks and Recreation Code of Ordinances.

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Summary/Background:

With the anticipated construction of the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark in 2024, staff is recommending updating the Parks and Recreation Ordinances to include ordinances that would regulate the use of the skatepark.

Staff

Recommendations:

Approve a recommendation to City Council to update Chapter 16; Article 16.02: Parks and Recreation Code of Ordinances to include ordinances regarding the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark.

Attachments:

Skatepark Ordinance Update document
Parks.Skatepark.Ordinance document

Next Steps/Schedule:

If recommended to City Council, it will be placed on the October 17th agenda for consideration.

ARTICLE 16.02. PARKS AND RECREATION

DIVISION 2. PARK RULES

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Sec. 16.02.034. Definitions.

(a) Rules of interpretation. Words and phrases used in this division shall have the meanings set forth in this section. Words and phrases that are not defined below, but are defined elsewhere in this code, shall be given the meanings set forth in those other ordinances. Words and phrases not defined in this code shall be given their common, ordinary meaning unless the context clearly requires otherwise. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense shall include the future tense; words in the plural number shall include the singular number (and vice versa); and words in the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender (and vice versa). The word "shall" is always mandatory, while the word "may" is merely directory. Headings and captions are for reference purposes only.

(b) Specific definitions.

Alcoholic beverage : Alcohol, or any beverage containing more than one-half of one percent of alcohol by volume, which is capable of use for beverage purposes, either alone or when diluted.

Business activities : The provision of services, instructions, training, or support to another person or to a group in exchange for payment.

Charro Ranch Park : the city park located at 22690 Ranch to Market Rd 150.

City : The City of Dripping Springs, an incorporated municipality located in Hays County, Texas, and includes any official, agent or employee acting on behalf of the city.

Commercial Activity : Providing goods or services for sell or rent or providing a class or instruction for compensation or as an inducement or advertisement for paid classes or instruction.

Commercial fitness trainer : A for profit trainer providing physical fitness training expertise to clients in a city park.

Commission : The city parks and recreation commission (aka, "parks and rec") or any successor entity.

Dangerous animal : An animal that:

(1) Makes an unprovoked attack on a person or another animal that causes bodily injury and occurs in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own;

(2) Commits unprovoked acts in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own and those acts cause a person to reasonably believe that the dog will attack and cause bodily injury to that person; or

(3) Park personnel deems to be uncontrollable and a danger to those around it.

Department : The City of Dripping Springs and parks and community services department.

Dripping Springs Ranch Park: the park and event center located at 1042 Event Center Drive, Dripping Springs, Texas.

Farmers market committee : The board created under article 6.05 of this code supports the market and serves as an advisory body to the city council.

Firearm : A device defined in accordance with Texas Penal Code section 46.01.

For profit groups : Individuals or organizations that are not nonprofit groups as determined by state and/or federal law.

Founders Memorial Park: the city park located east of RM 12 on Founders Park Road.

Glass container : Any glass receptacle.

Market manager : The city employee designated by the city administrator to manage the operations of the farmer's market.

Motorized/electric toys: includes any motor powered object including, but not limited to, remote control cars, motorized scooters or bikes, or any motorized or electric wheeled vehicle.

Multi-use trail : Trails designated for pedestrian, bicycle, and equestrian use.

Nonpark waste : Trash, refuse, litter or other solid waste that is not created or generated on-site at a park, but is transported from a person's home, business or other location to a park for disposal purposes. This term includes construction debris, office waste, municipal solid waste, and any form of hazardous waste. This term excludes waste generated on park premises during the course of lawful use of the park for recreational purposes.

Park : Any or all of the parks and facilities under the management and control of the city, including any land now or hereafter dedicated by the city as a municipal park.

Park attendant : A city employee who has been designated by the city council or city administrator to oversee and enforce the rules at a city park.

Park facility : Any building or structure intended for a specific type of use within a park including, but not limited to, a building, sports field, recreational facility, parking lot, covered pavilion, designated camping site, skatepark, or other specific use area within a park.

Person : An individual, corporation, organization, government agency, business, trust, partnership, association, or any other legal entity, other than the city.

School-related activity : An event or activity on or off school property sponsored and/or sanctioned by the Dripping Springs Independent School District. Examples include, but are not limited to, sporting events and performances, such as theatrical, etc.

Skatepark: the city park designed for skating, skateboarding, biking, and other non-motorized wheeled equipment that is located at Founders Memorial Park.

Sports and Recreation Park : the city park located at 27148 Ranch Rd 12, Dripping Springs, TX 78620.

Tobacco product : Includes, but is not limited to, a cigarette, cigar, and any smokeless tobacco product such as chewing and dipping tobaccos.

Vehicle : A device that can be used to transport persons or property including, but not limited to a moped, power-driven bicycle, motorcycle, motor scooter, automobile, truck, golf cart, tractor, aircraft, gliders, paragliders, and all-terrain vehicle.

Weapon : Anything that in the manner of its use or intended use is capable of causing death, personal injury, or serious bodily injury, including (but not limited to) air guns, clubs, axes, pellet or BB guns, bows and arrows, or projectile devices.

Sec. 16.02.035. - Enforcement; penalties.

(a)Enforcement. The city shall have the power to administer and enforce the provisions of this division as may be authorized by governing law. Any person violating any provision of this division is subject to suit for injunctive relief as well as prosecution for criminal violations to the extent permitted by applicable law.

(b)Criminal penalty. An offense under this division is a misdemeanor. Any person violating any of said provisions of this division shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.00 for each offense.

(c)Civil remedies. Nothing in this division shall be construed as a waiver of the city's right to bring a civil action to enforce the provisions of this division and to seek all remedies as allowed by law.

(d)Nothing in this section limits which individuals are authorized to issue notices of violation, warnings, or citations under state law.

Sec. 16.02.036. - Issuance of warningsand citations.

~~(a)~~Any park attendant, as well as any city officer or city employee, is authorized to issue warnings to any person or persons violating any rules or regulations applicable to the parks, swimming pools, skatepark, or other park facilities.

~~(b)~~Any city officer authorized to issue citations may issue them to any person or persons violating any rules or regulations applicable to the parks, swimming pools, skatepark, or other city-owned facilities.

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Sec. 16.02.065. Special rules for specific park facilities.

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(d) Skatepark

- (1) Hours are Dawn to Dusk: This skatepark is not equipped with lighting and is closed once the sun goes down.
- (2) Protective safety equipment that properly fits is strongly encouraged to be worn while using the skatepark.
- (3) The skatepark is unsupervised; and users ride at their own risk.
- (4) Parents/Guardians are responsible for their children; children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult.
- (5) The skatepark is open to bikes, skateboards, scooters, in-line skates, and other non-motorized wheeled vehicles.
- (6) Animals, other than service animals, are not allowed on the skatepark surface.
- (7) Motorized and electric toys, equipment, ramps, boxes or user-placed obstacles are not allowed.
- (8) No modifications to existing ramps or additional obstacles or materials allowed.
- (9) Competitive events, demonstrations or private lessons require prior approval of the Parks & Community Services Department as required by Division 4. – Commercial Activity on Park Property.
- (10) No graffiti or defacing the property.

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- (11) No gum, food or drinks on the skatepark surface.
 - (12) The skatepark is considered closed during inclement weather (rain, lightning, sleet, snow, etc.).
 - (13) The City reserves the right to close the skate park at any time, including for programmed events.
 - (14) All other City of Dripping Springs Park rules apply.
 - (15) A violation of (d)(1); (d)(6); (d)(7); or (d)(8) is considered an offense under this Article.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

ORDINANCE No. 2023-_____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16: PUBLIC WAYS AND PLACES, ARTICLE 16.02 IN THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS CODE OF ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs (“City Council”) seeks to have specific rules for the Skate Park at Founders Memorial Park;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 51.001, the City has general authority to adopt an ordinance or police regulation that is for the good government, peace or order of the City and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Commission had a meeting on October __, 2023 and recommended approval of the rules; and

WHEREAS, the City Council had a meeting and a public hearing on October __, 2023 and approved the rules; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the amendment proposed is reasonable, necessary, and proper for the good government of the City of Dripping Springs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas:

1. FINDINGS OF FACT

The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

2. AMENDMENT

Article 16.02 as currently adopted is amended so to read in accordance with *Attachment “A”*, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance for all intents and purposes.

3. REPEALER

To the extent reasonably possible, ordinances are to be read together in harmony. However, all ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.

4. SEVERABILITY

Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

5. CODIFICATION

The City Secretary is hereby directed to record and publish the attached rules, regulations and policies in the City’s Code of Ordinances as authorized by Section 52.001 of the Texas Local Government Code.

6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and publication of caption.

7. PROPER NOTICE & MEETING

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Notice was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the _____ day of October 2023, by a vote of ____ (ayes) to ____ (nays) to ____ (abstentions) of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

ATTACHMENT “A”



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
PO Box 384
511 Mercer Street
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Date: 10/02/2023

Agenda Item Wording: Discussion and consider approval of the Rock Snake community activity at Sports and Recreation Park.

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz

Summary/Background: Ryann Devorak brought the Rock Snake activity to our attention and suggested Sports and Recreation Park would be a good location to implement it. After consulting with several City staff, the Parks & Community Services department decided it would be a good community project that would enhance and draw people to Sports and Recreation Park.

Staff Recommendations: Staff recommends approval.

Attachments: Rock Snake Picture

Next Steps/Schedule: Staff will determine the appropriate location for the snake at Sports and Recreation Park. Staff will also create and place the signage and head of the snake before promoting it on social media.



Jake the Snake has become a popular attraction in Warwick, with hundreds of rocks adding steadily to its length. *Katie Landeck*



STAFF REPORT
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Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Date: 10/02/2023

Agenda Item Wording: Discussion and possible staff direction on current and future projects within the parks system.

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz

Summary/Background: Parks and Community Services Director, Andrew Binz, would like to have a discussion and possibly receive direction from the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding the ability to facilitate future projects within the parks system.

Staff Recommendations: Staff is recommending not accepting any more projects until the current projects are completed and sufficient staff levels are in place to oversee future projects.

Attachments:

Next Steps/Schedule: Staff will research other cities policies and procedures on accepting projects within the parks system.



**Staff Monthly Reports
September 2023**

Director:

- PCS Staff Report and Numbers Report.
- 2024 Budget was approved by City Council.
- Rathgeber Park
 - Vision Plan Update
 - Draft of Public Engagement Plan completed.
 - Base map information (including information provided by City Planning) collected and compiled.
 - Initial survey results reviewed and incorporated into Stakeholder Engagement Workshop Plan draft.
 - Stakeholder Workshop Plan draft is complete, and refinement is in progress.
 - Now that the heat wave has broken, all consultants are planning on completing field visits within the next two weeks.
 - Continue to work on Site Assessment.
 - Started rough draft of site analysis section of vision plan.
 - RVi and Malone Wheeler have scheduled a meeting with Elaine Cogburn and Holly Morris-Kuentz of DSISD for October 4, 2023.
 - Client Vision Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, October 25th at City Hall.
- Park System Signage Phase I:
 - Founders Park Signage is being installed.
 - Veterans Memorial Banner Display is on hold until we find a location.
- Skatepark
 - The reimbursement agreement was approved by City Council at their September 5th meeting.
- SRP Landscaping Beds
 - Hays County Master Gardeners have provided a plan. Materials and plants will be purchased out of the Landscaping Fund with City Council approval.
- Scheduling of Park Tours with Commissioners.

Aquatics and Athletics:

Founders Pool:

- Pool is closed for the season.

PCS Athletics/Programs:

Community Events:

- September Events
 - Movies in the Park
 - Sept 1st – *Hook*
 - Puppy Plunge
 - Sept 4th – (Labor Day)
 - 5 vendors (PAWS Shelter, groomer, food & treats)
 - Pumpkin Festival
 - September 22nd – 23rd
 - September 29th – 30th

- October Events – Coming Soon!
 - Star Party
 - October 13th at 8:00 – 10:30 pm
 - Fall Bio Blitz
 - October 7th at 9:00 am
 - Songwriters Festival
 - October 20th – 22nd
 - Pumpkin Festival
 - Every Saturday and Sunday in October

DSRP:

Highlights:

- The lighting project is almost complete. The difference in lighting is dramatic. It looks great.
- The new sound installation is getting closer to wrapping up.
- The road improvements Phase 2/3 is almost complete. There were some missed areas and they will be correcting that over the next couple of weeks.
- Asphalt in the expansion is complete.
- The budget was approved. We welcomed Christopher Segovia as the new DSRP Program Specialist. He brings an amazing background in natural resources and farming to our team. I am excited about the opportunities that he will bring to the programming at Ranch Park.

Staffing:

No Open Positions

DSRP Events in August:

Buda Buckle Bash, Hill Country Harvest Market, Showcase: Goat and Lamb Edition, Halloween Skate-a-thon Fundraiser, Cavalier Classic, Big Tex Gun Show

Upcoming DSRP Events:

CCA Banquet, Fences Over Bee Cave, Empty Bowls, Hope Annual Gala, Elections, Equestrian Vaulting, Blood Drive, Fall Classic, The Showcase Pig Show

DSRP Programs:

Ranch Park Rec Days, Star Party, DSRP Riding Series: Ranch Horse Show, Birds n' Brew, Haunted House, Skyhawks Sports weekly Program, Archery Club, DSRP Ranch Horse Show, DSRP Riding Series: Hunter Jumper Show

Farmers Market:**September FMC Meeting:**

- One of one vendor applications approved.

September Market recap:

- Returned to afternoon hours September 20th.



September 2023

	Month Total	Fiscal YTD
PCS Aquatics		
Programs Offered		
Swim Lesson Classes	0	48
ARC Certification	0	3
Number of Participants		
Swim Lesson Classes	0	128
ARC Certification	0	34
Admission Totals:		
Membership Check-ins	0	2,379
Day Passes Sold	0	3,550
Season Passes Sold	0	108
PCS Athletics		
Leagues Offered		
Adult Softball	0	2
Youth Sport Camps	0	4
Number of Teams/Participants		
Adult Softball	0	13
Youth Sport Camps	0	77
PCS Special Events		
Events Offered	3	14
Number of Participants	93	307
PCS Rentals		
Pool	0	13
Pavilion	3	41
Athletic Fields	0	1
Veterans Memorial Park	0	3
PCS Permits		
Itinerant Vendor	0	12
Commercial Trainers/Activity	0	0
Special Event	1	4
DSRP		
Programs Offered	10	28
Number of Participants	106	1,223
Camp Days Offered	0	77
Number of Participants	0	786
DSRP Events	1	18
Number of Participants	32	2,002
Arena Memberships Sold	0	44
Room Rentals	5	123
Arena Rentals	5	126
Other Rentals (Ranch House, Field, Etc..)	12	56
Free Use Agreements/Co-Sponsorships	16	173
Farmers Market		
Number of Markets Offered	4	51
Number of Vendors Registered	131	2,079
Number of Visitors	1,110	18,700

2023 Coyote Kids Nature Camp - Parent Evaluation

Q1 Name (Optional)

Answered: 17 Skipped: 17

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Cruz Moreno	8/21/2023 2:06 PM
2	Thalia Friedeck	8/17/2023 1:41 PM
3	Katie	8/17/2023 9:33 AM
4	mandi roarke	8/16/2023 4:47 PM
5	Jen Crews	8/16/2023 3:17 PM
6	Veronica Strother	8/16/2023 2:37 PM
7	Sarah Rose	8/16/2023 2:26 PM
8	Heather Salazar	8/16/2023 12:23 PM
9	Maggie Irwin	8/16/2023 12:03 PM
10	Sarah Miller	8/16/2023 11:44 AM
11	Mom	8/16/2023 10:33 AM
12	Carly Bishop	8/16/2023 10:27 AM
13	Tawni Krueger	8/16/2023 10:22 AM
14	Christina Drake	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
15	Anna Howe	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
16	Leigh Ann	8/16/2023 10:17 AM
17	Anna-Marie Gable	8/16/2023 10:14 AM

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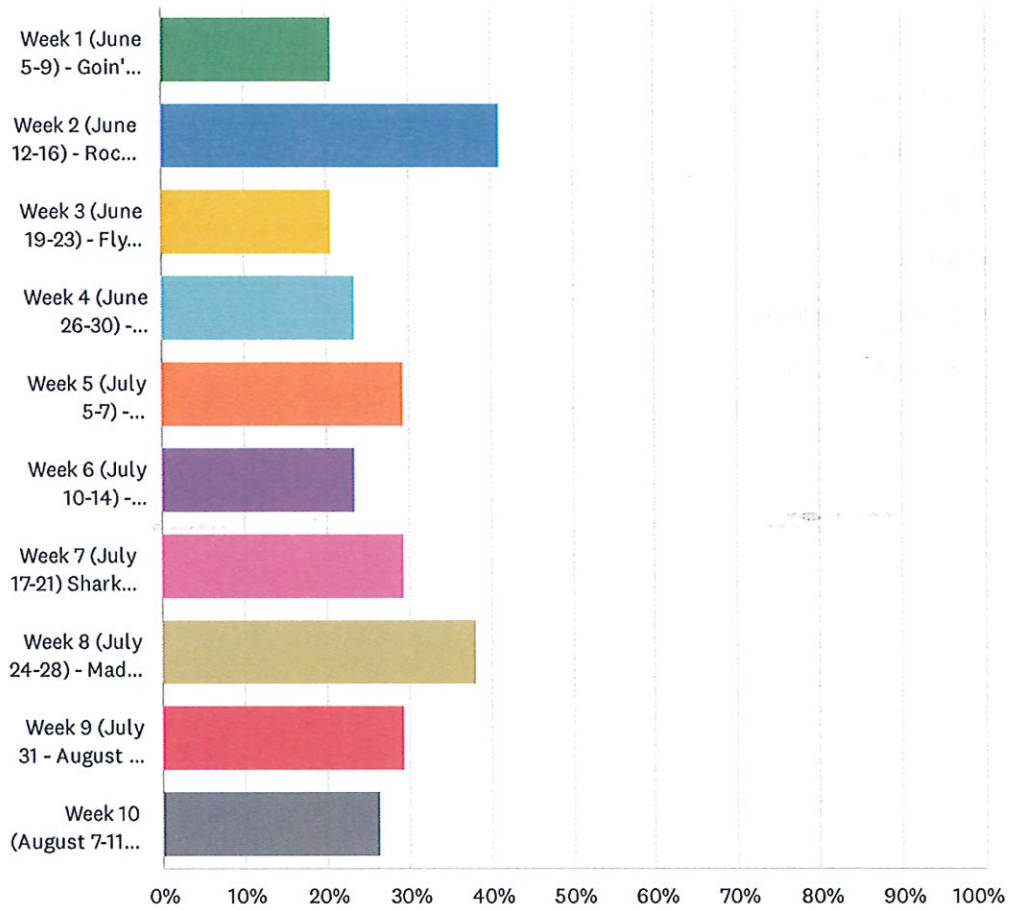
Q2 Your Camper's Name (Optional)

Answered: 17 Skipped: 17

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Jacob	8/21/2023 2:06 PM
2	Lucas Friedeck	8/17/2023 1:41 PM
3	Marcus & Behren	8/17/2023 9:33 AM
4	jadi roarke	8/16/2023 4:47 PM
5	Lincoln	8/16/2023 3:17 PM
6	Kendall Strother	8/16/2023 2:37 PM
7	Patrick, Brian & Frances Rose	8/16/2023 2:26 PM
8	Riley Salazar	8/16/2023 12:23 PM
9	Evelyn Fitzgibbons	8/16/2023 12:03 PM
10	Charlotte Miller	8/16/2023 11:44 AM
11	Kids	8/16/2023 10:33 AM
12	Bodhi Bishop	8/16/2023 10:27 AM
13	Robert Krueger	8/16/2023 10:22 AM
14	Wesson & Wade Drake	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
15	Clay Howe	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
16	Charlie	8/16/2023 10:17 AM
17	Eva-Claire Gable	8/16/2023 10:14 AM

Q3 Please select which session(s) your camper attended:

Answered: 34 Skipped: 0

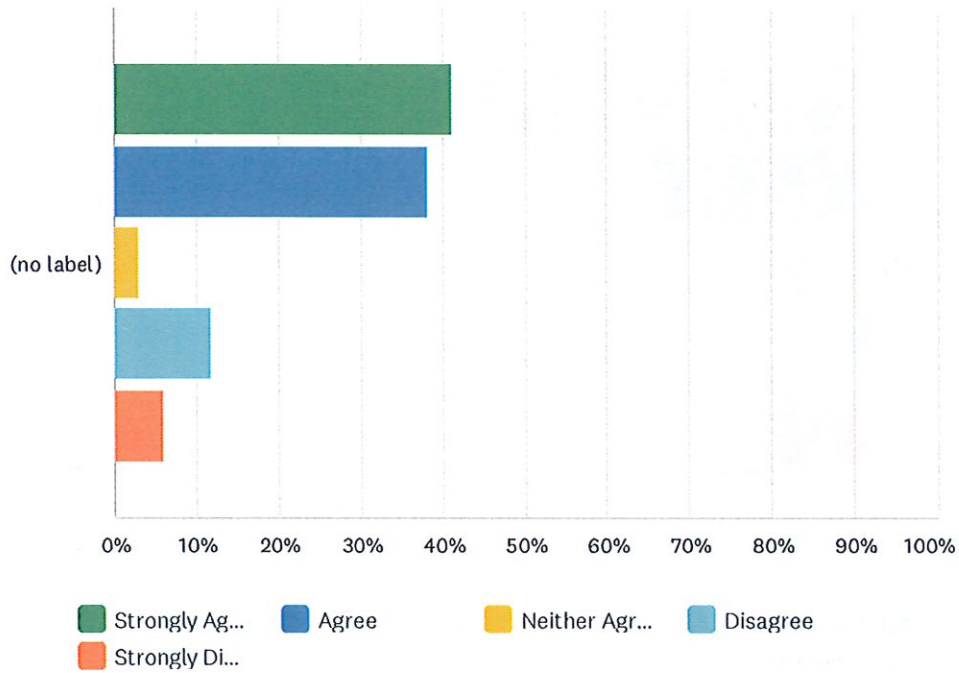


2023 Coyote Kids Nature Camp - Parent Evaluation

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Week 1 (June 5-9) - Goin' Green	20.59%	7
Week 2 (June 12-16) - Rock Your World	41.18%	14
Week 3 (June 19-23) - Flyin' Friends	20.59%	7
Week 4 (June 26-30) - Totally Texan	23.53%	8
Week 5 (July 5-7) - Adventure Land	29.41%	10
Week 6 (July 10-14) - Superhero High	23.53%	8
Week 7 (July 17-21) Shark Week	29.41%	10
Week 8 (July 24-28) - Mad Science	38.24%	13
Week 9 (July 31 - August 4) - Amazing Animals	29.41%	10
Week 10 (August 7-11) - Dark Sky Discovery	26.47%	9
Total Respondents: 34		

Q4 My child's experience at Coyote Kids Nature Camp this summer was an excellent experience.

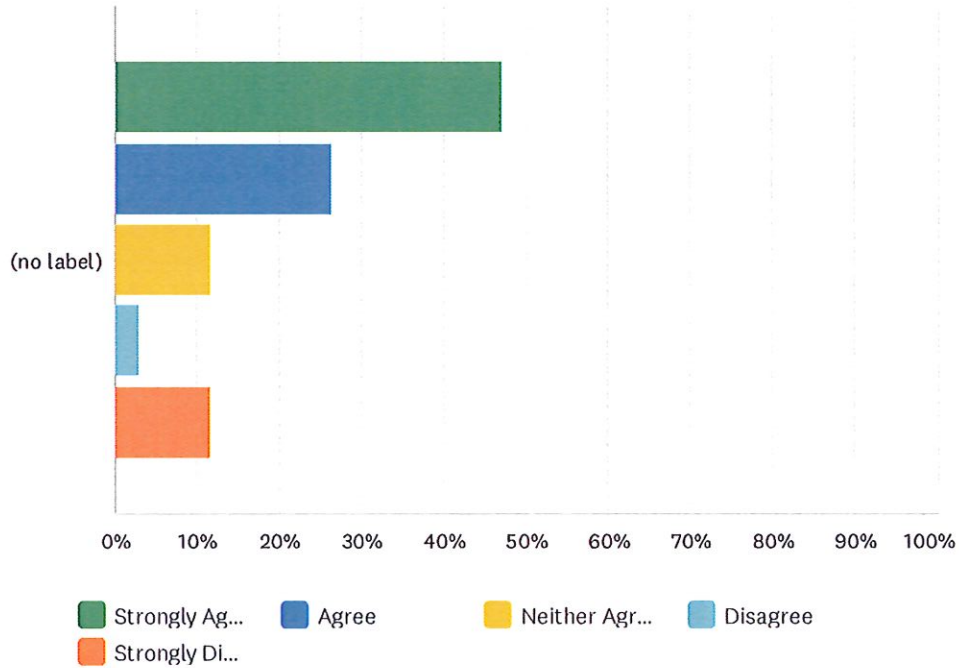
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
(no label)	41.18% 14	38.24% 13	2.94% 1	11.76% 4	5.88% 2	34	2.03

Q5 I plan to sign up my child to participate in Coyote Kids Nature Camp again next year.

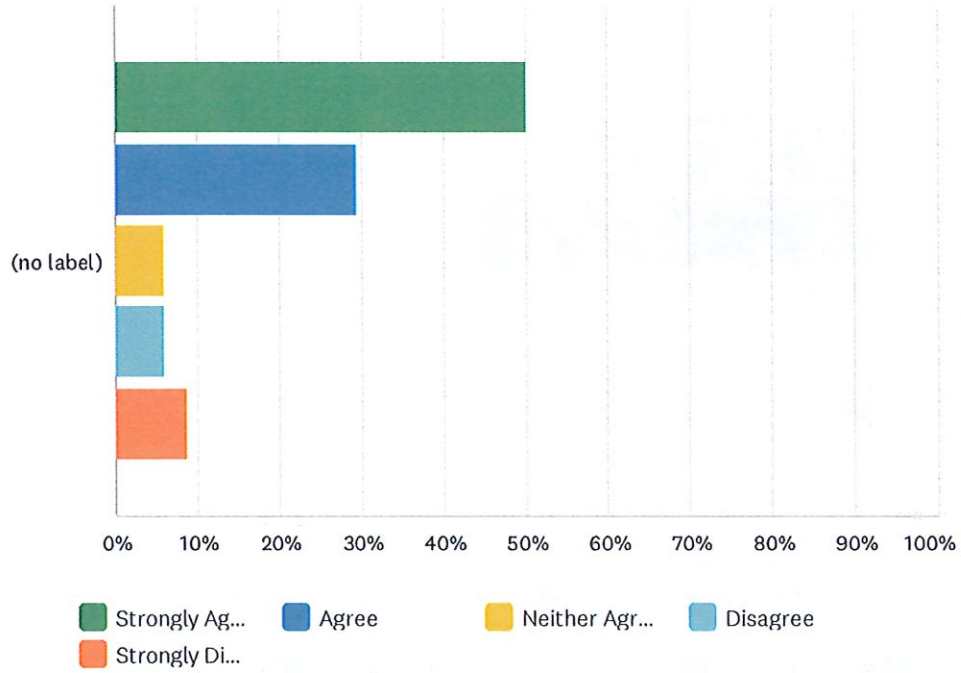
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(no label)	47.06% 16	26.47% 9	11.76% 4	2.94% 1	11.76% 4	34	2.06

Q6 I will recommend Coyote Kid's Nature Camp to my friends and family.

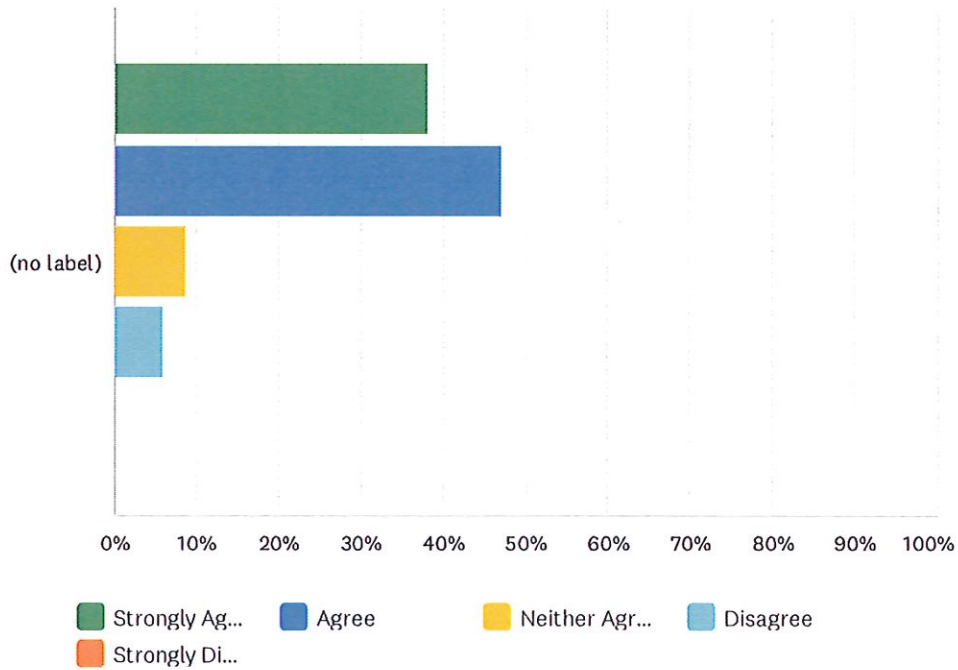
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(no label)	50.00% 17	29.41% 10	5.88% 2	5.88% 2	8.82% 3	34	1.94

Q7 Coyote Kids Nature Camp had my child's safety and security as a priority.

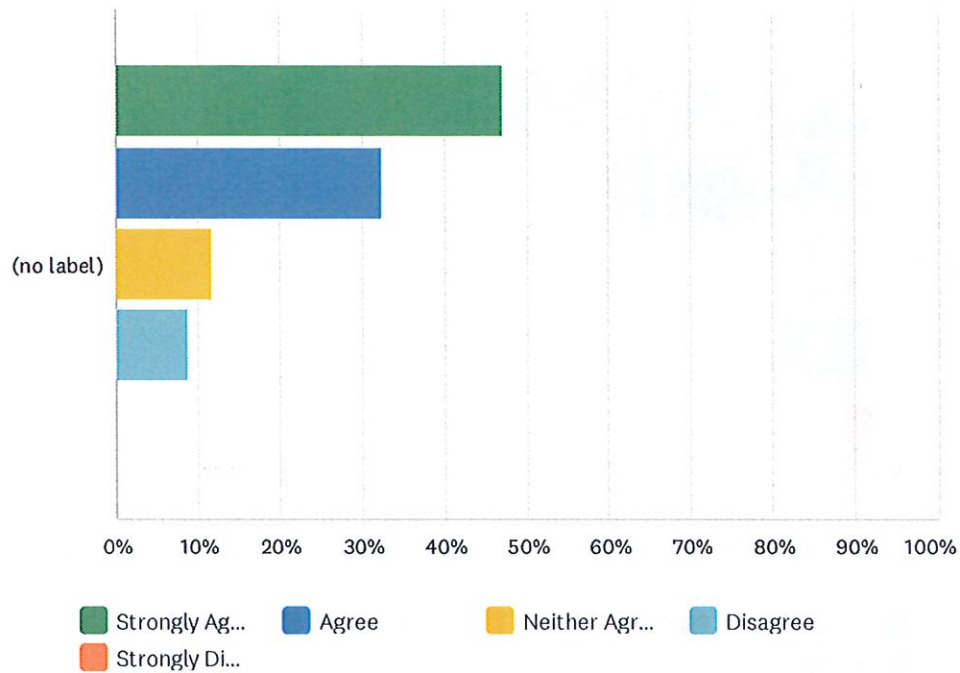
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(no label)	38.24% 13	47.06% 16	8.82% 3	5.88% 2	0.00% 0	34	1.82

Q8 The experience provided for my child was positive for their physical and emotional wellbeing.

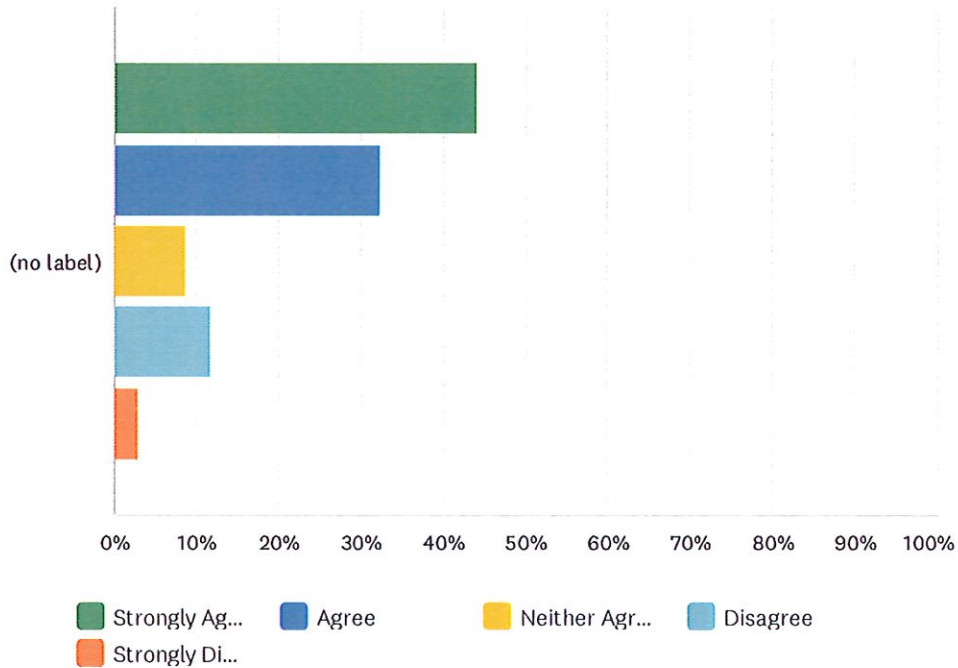
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(no label)	47.06% 16	32.35% 11	11.76% 4	8.82% 3	0.00% 0	34	1.82

Q9 The staff were excellent and provided a positive experience for my child.

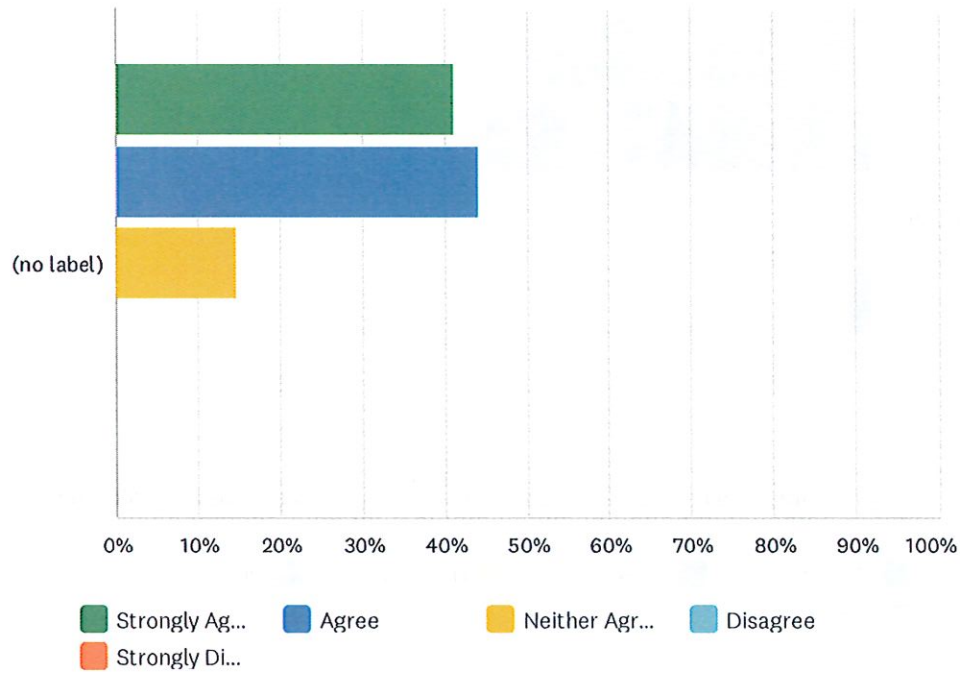
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(no label)	44.12% 15	32.35% 11	8.82% 3	11.76% 4	2.94% 1	34	1.97

Q10 The minimum staff ratio of 1 counselor per 10 campers was adequate for the needs of my child.

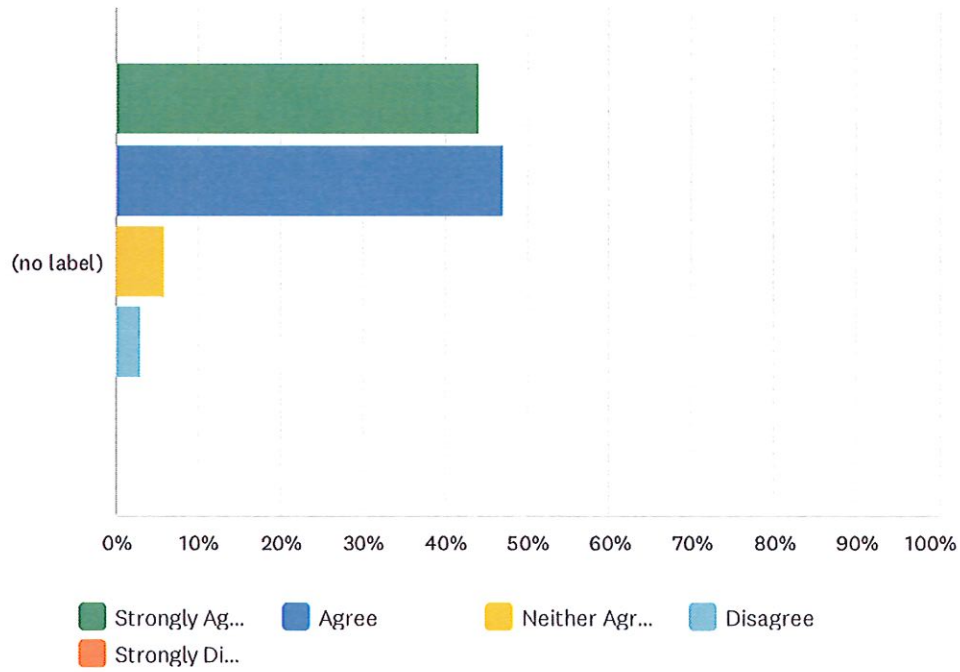
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(no label)	41.18% 14	44.12% 15	14.71% 5	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	34	1.74

Q11 Child pick up & drop off was safe and easy.

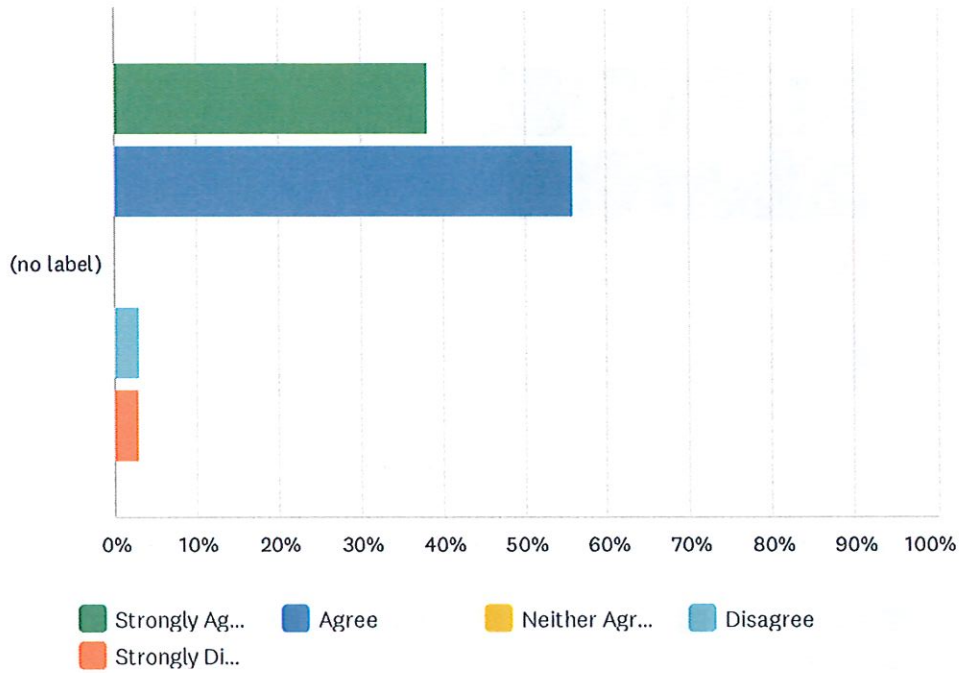
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(no label)	44.12%	47.06%	5.88%	2.94%	0.00%	34	1.68
	15	16	2	1	0		

Q12 The information and communication provided throughout camp was timely, thorough, and clear.

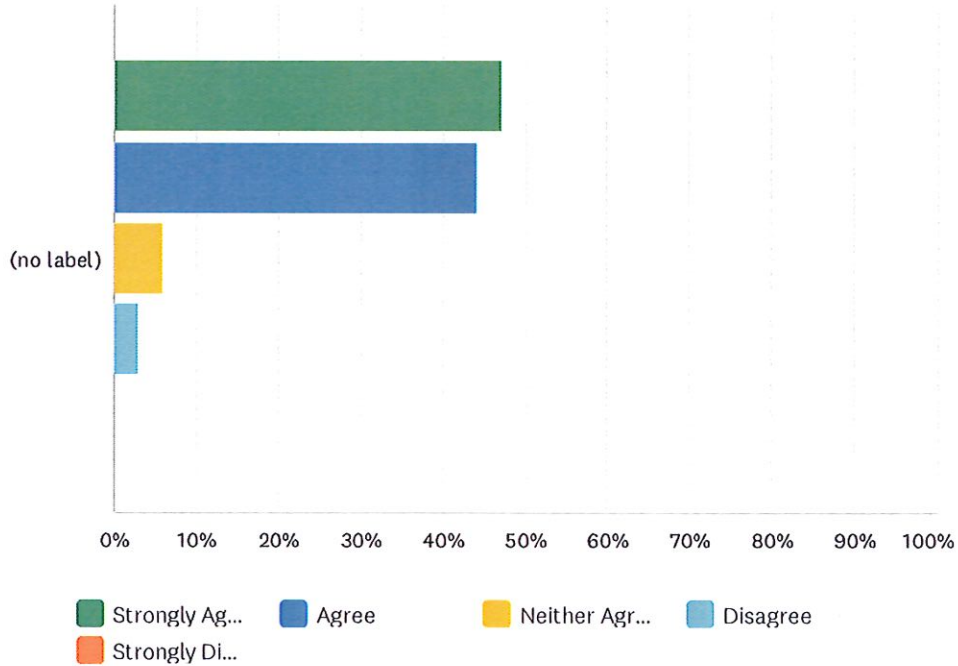
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(no label)	38.24% 13	55.88% 19	0.00% 0	2.94% 1	2.94% 1	34	1.76

Q13 The online registration & payment system was clear and easy to complete.

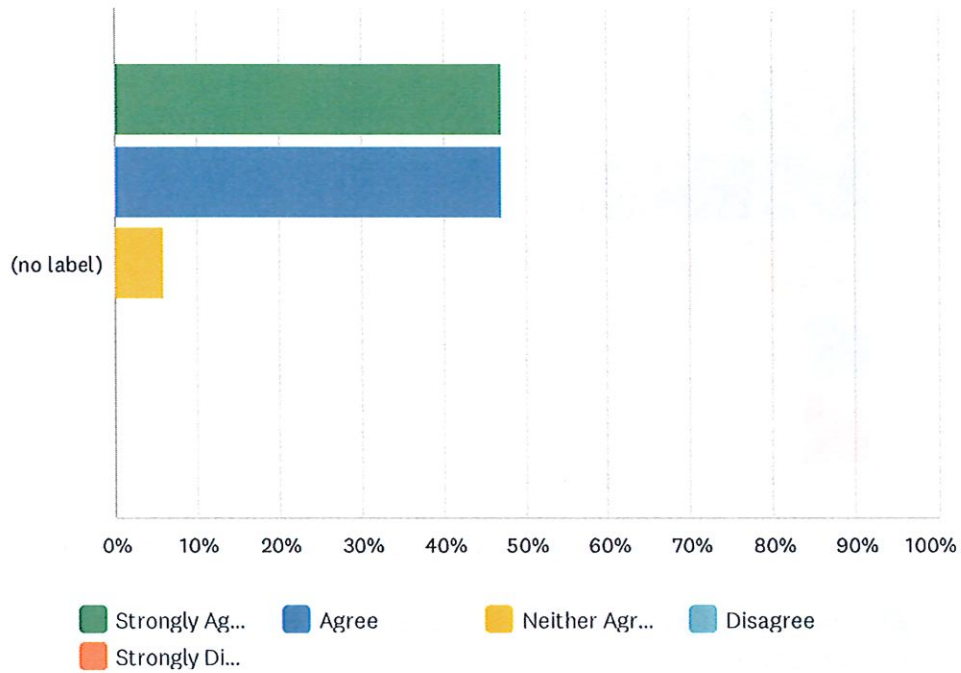
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(no label)	47.06% 16	44.12% 15	5.88% 2	2.94% 1	0.00% 0	34	1.65

Q14 The pricing of the camp (\$225 for 5 days and \$150 for 3 days) was an excellent value.

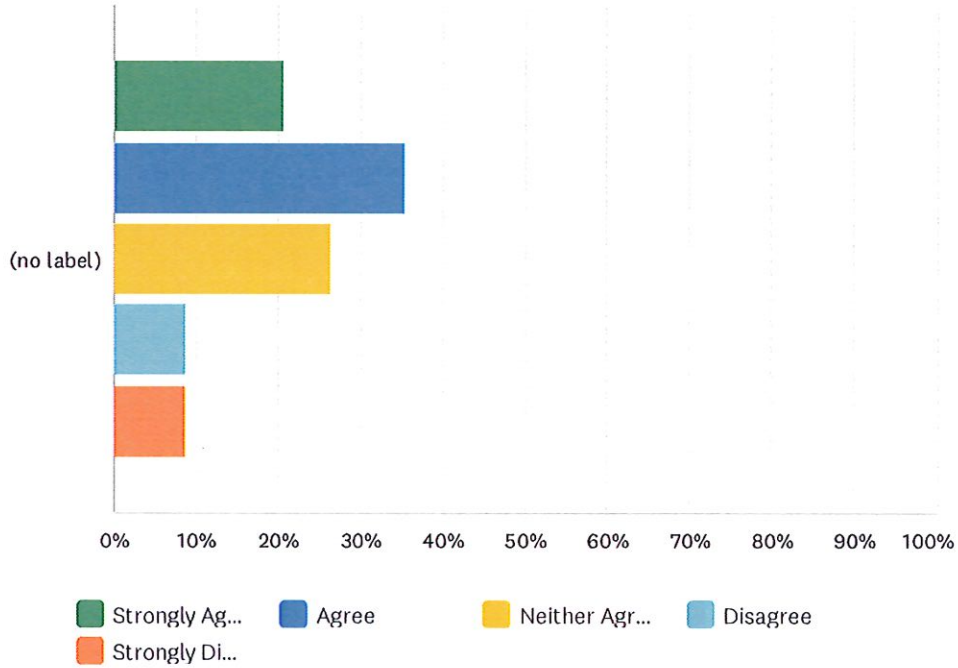
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(no label)	47.06% 16	47.06% 16	5.88% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	34	1.59

Q15 If additional weeks of camp were added throughout the year on holiday breaks, I would definitely sign my kids up.

Answered: 34 Skipped: 0



	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
(no label)	20.59%	35.29%	26.47%	8.82%	8.82%	34	2.50
	7	12	9	3	3		

2023 Coyote Kids Nature Camp - Parent Evaluation

Q16 Based on your child's experience, what was the most rewarding part of camp?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 10

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	different themes each week. variety of activities with different levels of difficulty good relationship with camp counselors and helpers (positive re-enforcement and encouraging)	8/21/2023 2:06 PM
2	He had a lot of fun and really enjoyed all the arts and crafts and activities	8/17/2023 1:41 PM
3	As a parent, the idea that they were engaged throughout the day with different activities with peers was really important to us as we debated between a sitter at home and enrolling in a camp. Loved how much outdoors time they got to experience and they talked often about their hikes and nature walks	8/17/2023 9:33 AM
4	Getting to do crafts, swim, and go on hikes.	8/17/2023 8:11 AM
5	My child had a terrific time at camp. He made new friends and re-acquainted few from previous camps. My child enjoyed swimming and archery and thought the science activities were interesting experiments.	8/16/2023 11:02 PM
6	Going to the pool and the science experiment crafts	8/16/2023 5:08 PM
7	She enjoyed the activities and being with her cousin.	8/16/2023 4:47 PM
8	Lincoln enjoyed the time spent with his buddies at camp.	8/16/2023 3:17 PM
9	Nature hikes	8/16/2023 3:02 PM
10	Our camper came home happy and tired every day. She shared things with us that she learned and especially enjoyed the guest speakers.	8/16/2023 2:37 PM
11	Our kids LOVED their counselors. They came home everyday excited to share the new things they had learned about the world around them. They were identifying plants, birds, bugs.. it was incredible!	8/16/2023 2:26 PM
12	Pool time and just generally getting to be around others. Learning new crafts.	8/16/2023 12:23 PM
13	The variety of activities.	8/16/2023 12:15 PM
14	She loved the morning hikes and the animal interactions. That's all right up her alley!	8/16/2023 12:03 PM
15	crafts	8/16/2023 10:33 AM
16	Outdoor play and adventure	8/16/2023 10:33 AM
17	Bodhi loved swimming and was never upset to go to camp. It made our mornings easier!	8/16/2023 10:27 AM
18	The time spent outside and the confidence gained by interacting with other campers	8/16/2023 10:22 AM
19	Liked seeing their friends.	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
20	My kid would've preferred to be home all day on a device, but he really appreciated the repour created with camp counselors.	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
21	Learning new things.	8/16/2023 10:20 AM
22	They liked the nature hikes and swimming.	8/16/2023 10:19 AM
23	Meeting new friends	8/16/2023 10:17 AM
24	Making new friends. Arts and crafts. Time outdoors and the pool trips.	8/16/2023 10:14 AM

2023 Coyote Kids Nature Camp - Parent Evaluation

Q17 What other activities would you like to see offered at camp?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 18

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	basic intro into farm animals since Ranch Park has the facilities and probably connections with local 4H club (horse, pig, chicken, goat)	8/21/2023 2:06 PM
2	More exercise indoors during the hot summer days so that when we pick them up they aren't climbing the walls with energy. Thanks!	8/18/2023 3:50 PM
3	Kids Cooking camp	8/17/2023 1:41 PM
4	I'm not sure what budget/transportation constraints there are, but an outing here or there to the movie theatre or a different playground in town to change it up or a different hike/trail in the hill country area	8/17/2023 9:33 AM
5	My child's favorite part of coyote camp was pool days. Maybe extra pool time could be offered or other water play. Some different organized games such as kickball or smash ball May be fun too.	8/16/2023 3:17 PM
6	Field trips	8/16/2023 3:02 PM
7	Other outings besides the pool	8/16/2023 2:37 PM
8	Keep doing what you're doing. It's awesome!	8/16/2023 2:26 PM
9	Field trips other than pool.	8/16/2023 12:23 PM
10	field trip once or twice to another location/event place for extra variety.	8/16/2023 12:15 PM
11	scavenger hunts, drought education, resource conservation, sun education	8/16/2023 10:33 AM
12	More crafts that they can bring home	8/16/2023 10:27 AM
13	N/A	8/16/2023 10:22 AM
14	Maybe more 'break off' days where there are different people who come in and spotlight fun activities.	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
15	I think it was great - we really liked the 2 swim days.	8/16/2023 10:20 AM
16	Can't think of any. Love the themes variety.	8/16/2023 10:14 AM

2023 Coyote Kids Nature Camp - Parent Evaluation

Q18 Please provide any feedback, suggestions or comments that would help improve your child's camp experience.

Answered: 23 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	rock bridge from parking lot to playground needs to be improved/wider and brush cut back. a shade cover installed over, next to the playground. occasional pics of the child participating in activity would nice to send to parent so they have memory of the event and something to share with friends/family.	8/21/2023 2:06 PM
2	My child said the counselors were not kind. Per my child they were unkind when being reprimanded about not following rules; however, it was day 1 and they were unaware of the rules. My child reported they were bored and did not have enough activities. Both kids said they did not enjoy eating lunch outside in the blazing hot sun. Both kids begged to not go back. As a parent I would have appreciated the flexibility to pick up kids early on days they are not at the pool. My ID was only checked on day 1 and it was a different person at the desk on day 2 so no way they knew who I was. I was also picking up kids that were not my own and never once was it checked to see I was an approved person for pick up.	8/18/2023 3:44 PM
3	This was our first time and our son really enjoyed it overall. We will definitely sign him up for more in the future!	8/17/2023 1:41 PM
4	Thank you and your staff for understanding regarding his late arrival on the first day at camp. We appreciate your flexibility.	8/16/2023 11:02 PM
5	Both kids said they liked YMCA camp a lot better, but they can't really tell me why. Sorry for the lack of context!	8/16/2023 5:08 PM
6	Lincoln attended 2 different weeks and I was a little unsure of how the themes actually were intertwined in to the week. It seemed he did the same thing each week.	8/16/2023 3:17 PM
7	Including the theme of the week in the parent email would be helpful	8/16/2023 3:02 PM
8	There were a few times that I overheard the counselors using foul or negative language. Nothing to make me think that my camper was not safe, but something's that make me raise my eyebrows. Overall, my camper loved the experience and I would recommend to other parents.	8/16/2023 2:37 PM
9	We are fans of Coyote Kids Camp and have been for years. I would encourage the City and staff to refrain from pushing any political agendas or gender equality issues while at camp. Both of these areas are left for us as parents to explain to our children, not to be handled at the camp environment.	8/16/2023 1:46 PM
10	More information on what they are actually doing each week via email.	8/16/2023 12:23 PM
11	Loved the camp and look forward to having the kids go back next summer!	8/16/2023 12:15 PM
12	My 7 year old was asked to not return to camp after Day 3 due to behavior issues. We were not provided advance notice of the warnings given to him on the days prior in the week and therefore were not able to provide guidance, direction and consequences to him for his behavior in real time.	8/16/2023 12:09 PM
13	My son loves this camp, but I think we might send him to a church camp next year instead. We have some concern about the lifestyle choices of some leadership and would like to surround him with role models that fit better with our beliefs and values.	8/16/2023 11:21 AM
14	There were limited fun and organized games and activities. Two movies on Fridays seems a little much - I could have my child stay home and watch movies. This camp was not engaging and did not foster positive interactions between kids. The counselors were also not well prepared - telling children they were in different groups because one was smarter than the other. Other children were not taught to interact with kindness. They had science experiments with nuts that children are allergic to without informing parents.	8/16/2023 11:15 AM

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15	I would vet your counselors better. And either pay them more or chose ones with more experience. We pulled our kids from camp after two days because of poor counselor behavior. We will not be back and I will not recommend this camp. I've spoken to the camp administration and they are aware of the issues.	8/16/2023 10:41 AM
16	Would have appreciated a heads up that a lead counselor was trans female. This counselor was not only confusing to the kids, they were obviously not fond of children. Each morning at drop off, this counselor was lecturing kids about what they shouldn't be doing, or how their behavior wasn't good. This happened almost every morning. While we as a family value each human as a person, we would have found other care options knowing that a gender confused person was leading kiddos. All other counselors were great. We would come back if this wasn't the case next summer.	8/16/2023 10:33 AM
17	My 6 year old had a WONDERFUL time at Coyote Camp! He is typically one who groans about going to camps after the 1st or 2nd day but he was eager and excited to go every day for both weeks we attended! His demeanor and attitude at home during those weeks was so pleasant and cooperative as well, I could definitely tell that it was a positive "bucket filling" experience overall. The best part was him wanting to lead us on family hikes at Ranch Park on the weekends to show us where he had been exploring on morning hikes at camp. Thank you for a great experience and we will see you next year!	8/16/2023 10:22 AM
18	The kids did say it was pretty hot when the group had to eat outside. Granted i know this summer was crazy but may just want to take that into account for the future.	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
19	Mine is going into 6th, so this was our last year of camp, but I loved the price and price for early drop-off and late pickup. I drove from Spicewood to Dripping, then to Austin for work because I knew this camp was about getting the kids off devices and outside into nature. It was also almost half the cost of other camps in my area that had times of 9-4 during the day.	8/16/2023 10:21 AM
20	It would be helpful if staff members helped us find / call for our kids at pick up. Our son got a pretty nasty scratch from a stick on the very last day of camp. He said no one did it to him, it was just an accident, but we still feel it would have been nice for a staff member to tell us so we know someone was aware of it & let us know if they may know what happened. Not a huge deal, just some feedback.	8/16/2023 10:20 AM
21	Drop off: when we dropped our kids off, the counselor at the table just gestured toward the tables and didn't give any guidance on where to sit or what to do while waiting for camp to start. It would've been nice to have a little introduction to the camp and to the other kids. There were lots of kids who just looked lost. There were several activities on the daily itinerary that simply not done. For example, archery. What did they do instead? Also, having a male counselor who is supposedly "transitioning" and has a conversation with the kids that he is neither boy nor girl is not appropriate. My kids asked to go to a different camp.	8/16/2023 10:19 AM
22	The staff was great and always so positive at drop off and pickup. My son really enjoyed his time.	8/16/2023 10:17 AM
23	Love that this is a smaller camp. Eva-Claire loved it and has asked to come back to more sessions next year.	8/16/2023 10:14 AM



DRIPPING SPRINGS
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Parks & Recreation
Commission

Regular Meeting

October 2, 2023

6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER

Commission Members:

Paul Fushille, Chair
Matthew Fougerat, Vice Chair
Olivia Barnard
Hope Boatright
Kristy Caldwell
Dustin Cloutier
Christian Krueger
Joe Wright



PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the Commission regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens, before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the Commission's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allowed for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the Commission. It is the request of the Commission that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed public hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.



MINUTES

1. Discuss and consider approval of the August 28, 2023, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.



BUSINESS

2. Discuss and consider approval of the 2024 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting calendar.
3. Discuss and consider a recommendation regarding Rules Signage to be displayed at the Dorian Zev Kweller Memorial Skatepark.
4. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding Amendments to Chapter 16; Article 16.02: Parks and Recreation Code of Ordinances.
5. Discuss and consider approval of the Rock Snake community activity at Sports and Recreation Park.
6. Discuss and consider approval of possible staff direction on current and future projects within the parks system.



REPORTS

7. Parks & Community Services Report

Andrew Binz, PCS Director

8. Aquatics & Athletics Report

Mack Rusick, Aquatics & Athletics Manager

9. Community Events Report

Johnna Krantz, Community Events Coordinator

10. Farmers Market Report

Charlie Reed, Farmers Market Manager

11. Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center Report

Emily Nelson, DSRP Manager





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Directors Report
Parks & Recreation Commission
October 2, 2023

2024 Budget

Project Priority List:

1. Rathgeber Master Plan \$215,000
2. Comprehensive Master Plan \$150,000
3. Founders Park Connection to Big Sky Ranch \$370,000
 - Big Sky to Founders Park = \$150,000 (pink)
 - Sidewalk Connection within Founders Park = \$160,000 (blue)
 - Parking Lot Improvements = \$60,000
4. 15 Passenger Vans (2 @ \$55,000) \$110,000
5. Storage Shed (Behind Ranch House) \$ 30,000
6. Park System Signage Phase II: Sports & Recreation Park \$ 61,000
 - Studio 16:19 = \$7,000
 - Sign Construction = \$54,000
7. Sports & Recreation Park Athletic Field Lighting \$350,000
 - Phase I: Baseball Field (\$150,000 from 2022, so total for 2024 could be \$200,000)
8. Founders Park Lighting \$200,000
9. Skate Park Improvements \$ 75,000
10. Electric Gate at park TBD. \$ 25,000



New Operation Budget Items:

Founders Pool:

Stain the wood structures/beams	\$15,000	(1)
Paint the restrooms and office areas	\$ 5,000	(1)
Seal coat office and restroom floors	\$10,000	(1)

Trail Maps Updated	\$ 5,000	(1)
Explore Brochure	\$ 8,000	(1)
Travel/Training (captured in GF Budget)	\$13,812	
Uniforms (Polo – 2, Fleece Jacket and Hat)	\$ 995	

Staffing:

Park Maintenance Manager	\$65,000 - \$75,000
Park Maintenance Assistant Manager	\$50,000 - \$60,000
Park Maintenance Staff (2 @ \$37,500)	\$75,000

Capital:

Trucks (2 @ \$65,000 each)	\$130,000
15 Passenger Vans (2 @ \$68,000 each)	\$136,000

Sports and Recreation Park Landscaping Beds

Total Budget: \$1,890 (Landscaping Funds)

Phase 1: Prep - \$800 (assume option #2 or #3)

- Rental of 2 tillers: \$250
- Option #1 - 10 yards of GeoGrowers BioChar compost: \$1000 + delivery
- Option #2 – 6 yards of Kinser Mushroom compost: \$400 + \$150 delivery
- Option #3 – 10 yards of Kinser Dillo Dirt compost: \$400 + \$150 delivery
- 5 yards hardwood mulch: \$0 if provided by City of Dripping Springs
- HCMGA trainee volunteer labor: trainees to bring their own water and tools

Phase 2: Fall Planting - \$540

- Plants from Native Texas Nursery (wholesale): \$500
- Monarch Waystation Certification with sign: \$40
- HCMGA volunteer labor: HCMGA will provide water and snacks for “Action Day”

Phase 3: Spring Planting - \$550

- Plants from Natural Gardener (retail): \$400
- Plant ID signs: \$150
- HCMGA volunteer labor: water and snacks *tbd*



Sports and Recreation Park Landscaping Beds

Schedule:

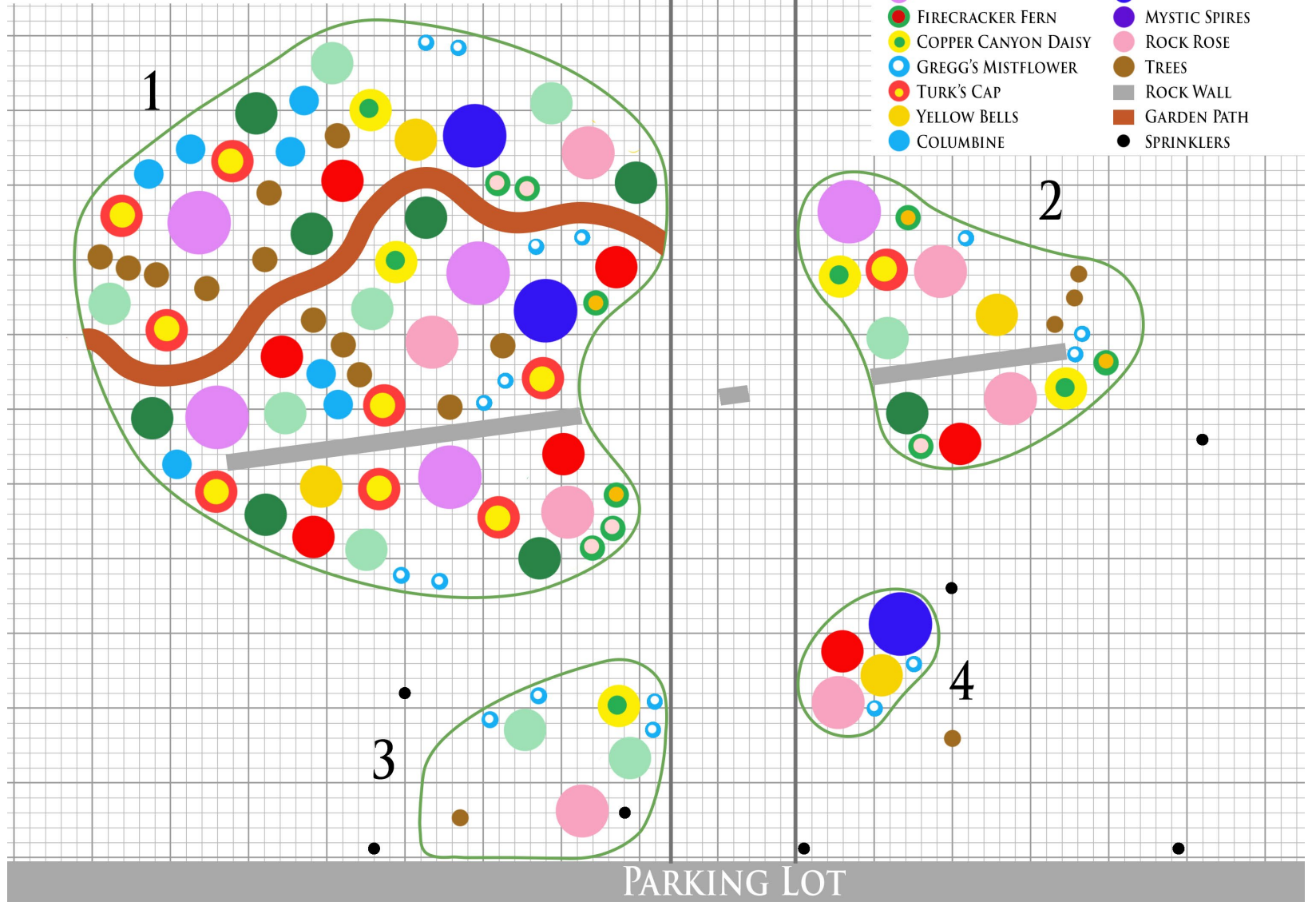
- October 17th City Council Meeting – Request Landscaping Funds
- Friday Oct 27th – optional compost pickup to save on delivery cost
- Saturday Oct 28th – Prep workday with HCMG trainees
- Friday Nov 10th - Pickup plants from Native Texas Nursery (16019 Milo Rd, Austin)
- Saturday Nov 11th – Fall Planting workday and social event for HCMGs
- OR combined 4 hour workday on Nov 11th to complete both prep and planting?



Sports and Recreation Park Landscaping Beds

DRIPPING SPRINGS SPORTS PARK POLLINATOR GARDEN: FALL

- ROSEMARY
- LANTANA
- GOPHER PLANT
- MEXICAN OREGANO
- SALVIA
- ORANGE MILKWEED
- CORALBERRY
- INDIGO SPIRES
- FIRECRACKER FERN
- MYSTIC SPIRES
- COPPER CANYON DAISY
- ROCK ROSE
- GREGG'S MISTFLOWER
- TREES
- TURK'S CAP
- ROCK WALL
- YELLOW BELLS
- GARDEN PATH
- COLUMBINE
- SPRINKLERS





Summer Programs Wrap Up Report

By: Caylie Houchin

DSRP Programs Coordinator



Programs Offered

Coyote Kids Nature Camp

- 10 weeks of summer day camp offered

Tween Scene

- 10 sessions offered

Skateboarding Camps

- 2 sessions offered

Grand total of 68 days of programs at Ranch Park!





Coyote Kids Nature Camp

- Day Camp offered to children ages 6-11.
- \$225.00/child/session, M-F, 8am – 5pm.
 - Extended care is offered at an additional \$25.00/child/week.
- Activities include, daily hikes, games, crafts, and bi-weekly field trips to Founders Memorial Pool.



- 2023 Weekly Themes
 - Goin Green (47)
 - Rock Your World (48)
 - Flyin' Friends (49)
 - Totally Texas (48)
 - Adventureland (48) *Mini Camp
 - Superhero High (47)
 - Shark Week (48)
 - Mad Science (51)
 - Amazing Animals (50)
 - Dark Sky Discovery (50)

Camp Staff/Volunteers/Guest Speakers

- **Staff:**

- Hired 12 New Staff members.
 - 2 Camp Supervisors – Full Time
 - 2 Lead Camp Counselors – Full Time
 - 8 Part Time Camp Counselors
- 4 Returning Full Time Camp Counselors
- Training Week: May 30 – June 2
 - CPR Certification
 - NASP Archery Certification (18+)

- **Guest Speakers/Volunteers:**

- North Hays County Fire
- Matt the Shark Guy
- Hays County Master Naturalist
- Hays County Health Department
- Texas State Graduate Students
- Hays County Friends of the Night Sky
- Austin Reptile Show

- **Extracurriculars/Rentals:**

- Sock Hop Rentals
 - Rock Wall
 - Obstacle Course
 - Bounce House
- Freedom Fun Parties
 - Foam Party
 - Nerf Gun Wars (x2)



Camp Financials



- Camp Participation Fees = +\$106,767.00
- Staffing Costs= -\$74,702.75
- Equipment & Supply Costs= -\$13,000.00

Sponsors:

- Your Day Charters – \$1,900.00 discount on transportation to and from the pool.
- Pigtails & Crewcuts
- Melissa Roberts & Amy Paczosa: Mercer Street Group – Split T-shirt costs \$2,153.70.
- Mighty Fine – Donated lunch to counselors the last two Fridays of camp.





Tween Scene

- Drop-in program offered to tweens ages 9-14.
- \$10.00/session/tween, seasonally Thursdays from 7pm - 9pm.
- Tweens can participate in various activities around the event center, including BYO roller skating, kickball, dodgeball, gaga ball, socializing with friends, and the various rentals brought in each week.



Tween Scene Financials

- Week 1: Video Game Truck (68)
- Week 2: Rock Wall (89)
- Week 3: Inflatable Jousting (92)
- Week 4: Waterslide (86)
- Week 5: Inflatable Obstacle Course (113)
- Week 6: Inflatable Hamster Balls (106)
- Week 7: Bungee Jousting (104)
- Week 8: Hamster Balls (82)
- Week 9: Video Game Truck (106)
- Week 10: Glow Party (97)

- \$9,430.00 earned in ticket sales
- \$4,299.00 earned in concession sales



- **Sponsors**
 - RBFCU - \$500.00
 - Lions Club \$500.00





Skateboarding Camps

- Instructor Led, 30/70 percentage split on profits
- Offered to children ages 6-13, \$290.00/session, 9am – 12pm, Mon-Fri.
 - June 5-9, Co-Ed Session: Sold out at 20 participants
 - June 26 – 30, Girl Power Session: 9 participants
- VIA313 donated pizza on the last day of Girl Power Skateboarding Camp!
- We earned \$2,523.00 in participation fees.



Questions?

PARKS STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

12. Veterans Memorial Park Committee

Commissioner Kristy Caldwell

13. Charro Ranch Park Committee

Commissioners Paul Fushille and Matt Fougerat

14. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee

Commissioner Hope Boatright

15. Founders Memorial Park Committee

Commissioners Olivia Barnard and Joe Wright

16. Rathgeber Natural Resources Park Committee

Commissioners Kristy Caldwell, Paul Fushille and Matthew Fougerat

17. Sports & Recreation Park Committee

Commissioners Dustin Cloutier and Christian Krueger



EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings

November 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

December 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

October 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

October 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

November 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

November 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.



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