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MURPHY PARKS AND RECREATION AND
KEEP MURPHY BEAUTIFUL BOARD AGENDA
JUNE 8, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
206 NORTH MURPHY ROAD
MURPHY, TEXAS 75094

NOTICE is hereby given of a meeting of the Park and Recreation Board of the City of Murphy, Collin County, State of Texas, to be held on June 8, 2026, at Murphy City Hall for the purpose of considering the following items. The Park and Recreation Board reserves the right to meet in Executive Session closed to the public at any time in the course of this meeting to discuss matters listed on the agenda, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, including §551.071 (private consultation with the attorney for the City); §551.072 (discussing purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property); §551.074 (discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel); and §551.087 (discussing economic development negotiations). Any decision held on such matters will be taken or conducted in Open Session following the conclusion of the Executive Session.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Council Chambers is open to the public. This portion of the agenda is the public's opportunity to address the Parks and Recreation and Keep Murphy Beautiful Boards about any item listed on the agenda, except public hearings, or to provide a general comment. Comments related to public hearings will be heard when the specific hearing begins. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, unless otherwise required by law. Per the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Parks and Recreation and Keep Murphy Beautiful Boards are not permitted to act on or discuss any item not listed on the agenda. Items suggested for action may be placed on a future agenda, at the Board's sole discretion.

5. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Continuation of FY26 Budget Discussion. Matt Foster, Director of Parks and Recreation.

6. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. Consider and/or act on the May 11, 2026, Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes. Jacy Mitchell, Executive Administrative Assistant

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7. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Park maintenance updates. Cody Clark, Parks Superintendent.

- B. Recreation and event updates. Kayla McFarland, Recreation Superintendent.

8. ADJOURNMENT

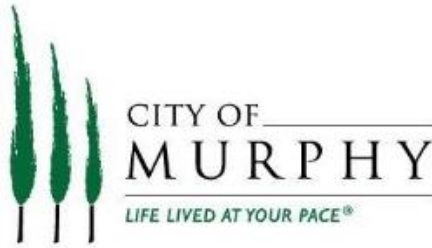
I certify that this is a true and correct copy of the Murphy Park and Recreation Board Meeting Agenda and that this notice was posted on the designated bulletin board at Murphy City Hall, 206 North Murphy Road, Murphy, Texas 75094; a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times, and said notice was posted on June 1, 2026, by 5:00 p.m. and will remain posted continuously for 3 business days prior to the scheduled meeting pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.



Jacy Mitchell
Executive Administrative Assistant

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Notice of Possible Quorum: There may be a quorum of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee, the Board of Adjustment, the Building and Fire Code Appeals Board, the City Council, the Ethics Review Commission, the Murphy Community Development Corporation, the Murphy Municipal Development District Board and/or the Planning and Zoning Commission members who may be present at the meeting, but they will not deliberate on any city or board business.



**MURPHY PARK AND RECREATION AND
KEEP MURPHY BEAUTIFUL BOARD
MINUTES**

**MAY 11, 2026 AT 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
206 NORTH MURPHY ROAD
MURPHY, TEXAS 75094**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Felicia Zimmer, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Vice Chair, Diana Cain, led the pledge of allegiance and invocation.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

MEMBERS

Chair Felicia Zimmer

PRESENT:

Vice Chair Clay Dethloff

Secretary Keyla Kirton

Board Member Mike Jenkins

Board Member Diana Cain

Board Member Owais Khan

Board Member Jeff Brettnacher

MEMBERS ABSENT:

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Matt Foster, Director of Parks and Recreation provided an overview of Parks Department staffing, operations, and budget priorities. Staffing remains at 13 full-time employees with no additional positions added. Recent departmental reorganization created more specialized maintenance roles and implemented a career ladder program for employee advancement. Operational updates included ongoing weekend park servicing demands, expanded mowing contracts to reduce workload and fuel usage, and continued training for newer staff members.

Mr. Foster reviewed completed and ongoing Parks projects, including bottle filler installations, solar lighting, bike repair stations, landscaping improvements, resurfacing projects, and updates related to the Veterans Tribute dedication. He also discussed challenges related to aging irrigation infrastructure at City Hall and increasing maintenance needs throughout the parks system.

FY27 Parks priorities include erosion control and sod replacement at Timbers Nature Preserve, replacement of aging trash receptacles, continued bottle filler installations, volleyball court sand replacement, and additional equipment and technology upgrades. The proposed FY27 Parks budget is approximately \$1.878 million, with increases primarily related to personnel costs, supplies, fleet maintenance, contractual services, and equipment rentals. Mr. Foster also shared updates regarding the robotic mower program and upcoming volunteer opportunities through Keep Murphy Beautiful initiatives.

Mr. Foster also reviewed Recreation and Community Center operations, staffing, and budget updates. Recreation staffing currently consists of five full-time employees and three part-time staff members, with additional hiring underway. FY26 highlights included facility improvements, equipment upgrades, and implementation of field usage fees that generated additional revenue.

Upcoming Recreation initiatives include outdoor furniture replacement, adult mixer events in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce, and continued efforts toward CAPRA accreditation. Challenges discussed included low Youth Advisory Committee participation and program cancellations due to contractor pricing. Staff goals remain focused on increasing memberships, enhancing programming opportunities, and improving the Murphy Community Center environment.

The proposed FY27 Recreation budget is approximately \$397,000, reflecting a decrease due to completion of several one-time purchases in FY26 and adjusted program budgeting. Additional requests include improved security measures and technology upgrades within the Community Center.

6. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- a. Consider and/or act on the March 9, 2026, Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes. Jacy Mitchell, Executive Administrative Assistant

BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED

Diana Cain moved to approve the March 9, 2026, Regular meeting minutes. Clay Dethloff seconded the motion. For: Unanimous. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

7. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Park maintenance updates. Cody Clark, Parks Superintendent.
 Cody Clark, Parks Superintendent, reported that park areas have been re-sodded, re-stripped, and leveled, with grub control treatments scheduled to begin once the zoysia grass is established. Aerification is currently underway throughout the parks system, though scheduling may be impacted by weather and rain conditions to help avoid injury risks. Soccer goals were redistributed between parks to help reduce turf wear and field compaction, including the relocation of smaller goals from Water’s Edge to Mustang and Aviary Parks, along with the addition of adult and youth-sized goals at Water’s Edge. The Timbers block wall project is nearing completion, and plants are scheduled for delivery on May 20 for the bare area near the chillers at City Hall. Concerns were also shared regarding vandalism at North Hill and Timbers Parks involving damaged pole flags, and residents were encouraged to report suspicious activity. Cameras have been installed at both parks but are not yet operational due to server connectivity issues.
- b. Recreation and event updates. Kayla McFarland, Recreation Superintendent.
 Kayla McFarland, Recreation Superintendent, provided updates on recent events,

including the successful Hop & Hunt event, which included an adult run, the Clean & Green/Keep Murphy Beautiful cleanup event, and the barbecue event, which featured a revised layout modeled after Tunes, Tails, and Ales and included brewery participation. Upcoming events include a movie night scheduled for Friday featuring *Just Go With It*, which is being promoted as a parent/adult date night opportunity. June's Sounds at Sundown concert series will take place every Friday and will feature Emerald City Band, Dreams Unwind, Legendary Keys, and an Elton John tribute band. Summer camps will begin soon, and due to camp participation, the gym will be closed during daytime hours until approximately 4:00–4:30 p.m. Keep Murphy Beautiful outreach efforts continue with the addition of park artwork stickers. New summer camp QR-code decals were also added to Murphy parks to promote programs. Staff also shared that approximately 15 volunteers participated in the recent Great American Cleanup effort along the McMillan Road creek area, collecting approximately 35 pounds of trash. Regarding the community art display initiative, no board action was required at this time, as Facilities will repaint the wall prior to installation of submitted artwork; two submissions have been received so far.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, a motion was entertained by the Chair, Felicia Zimmer, and the Parks and Recreation & Keep Murphy Beautiful Board meeting adjourned at 06:52 pm.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:



Jacy Mitchell,
Executive Administrative Assistant



Clay Dethloff,
Secretary