



City of Garden Ridge

"A way of life, not just a place to live"

AGENDA

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

The Wildlife Management Advisory Commission will meet in a regular session on Monday, June 15, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas. This is an open meeting, open to the public, subject to the Open Meetings Law of the State of Texas, and as required by law, notice is hereby posted providing time, place, date, and agenda thereof. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are provided. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made to the City Secretary 48 hours prior to this meeting.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total

Rules for Citizens' Participation: The Commission welcomes citizen participation and comments at all Commission Meetings. The Commission offers citizens the opportunity to address them by signing up to speak prior to the meeting. If you speak, you must follow these guidelines:

a) Respect and courtesy:

1. Direct your comments to the entire Commission, not to an individual member, nor to the audience.
2. Show the Commission the same respect that you would like to be shown.
3. End your speaking at the time allotted below.

b) Speaking:

1. First citizen comment period
 - i. You are required to sign up to speak and you are limited to one 3-minute period.
2. Second citizen comment period
 - i. You are not required to sign up and you are limited to one 2-minute period.
3. State your name and address before your comments begin.
4. You are only allowed to speak once per topic, unless also speaking during a posted Public Hearing.

NOTE: The Texas Open Meetings Act permits a member of the public or a member of the governmental body to raise a subject that has not been included in the notice for the meeting. However, any discussion of the subject must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting and any response to a question posed to the Commission is limited to either a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy. Tex. Gov't Code § 551.042.

5. Business Items

The following items are for discussion, consideration, and action.

a) Approvals

1. Minutes for January 27, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.

b) Discussions/Reports/Updates

1. Wildlife and wildlife incidents within the City of Garden Ridge.
 - i. Police Department and Animal Services.
2. Oak Wilt within the City of Garden Ridge.
3. Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner activities and projects.
 - i. Update of Commissioner's activities and projects.
 - ii. Update regarding City and/or State wildlife management.
 - iii. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.

4. Meeting Updates/Reports

- i. Items applicable to the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission discussed at City Council Meetings in February 2020 – June 2020.

c) Recommendations

1. Feral Hog Management.

- i. Discuss status and make recommendations related to, if needed.

2. Deer Management Program.

- i. Discuss status and make recommendations related to, if needed.

3. City of Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Plan.

- i. Discuss updates and make recommendations related to, if needed.

4. Parks Committee Monthly Meetings.

- i. Discuss updates and make recommendations related to, if needed.

5. Ordinance No. 210-022018 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge adopting board and commission policy and procedures; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.

- i. Update on resignation of Commissioner Segovia.
- ii. Receive recommendations and consideration for appointment of Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Chair and Vice-Chair for the remainder of the term ending October 2020.
- iii. Discuss and make recommendations related to application of ordinance provisions to commission members, if needed.

d) Future Agenda Items

1. Commissioners input on agenda items.

2. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (July 20, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall).

6. **Citizen Comment Period - limited to 20 minutes total**

See “Rules for Citizens’ Participation” under Item 4.

7. **Adjournment**

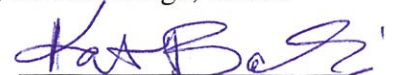
AGENDA NOTICES:

Decorum Required: Any disruptive behavior, including shouting or derogatory statements or comments may be ruled out of order by the Presiding Officer. Continuation of this type of behavior could result in a request by the Presiding Officer that the individual leave the meeting, and if refused, an order of removal.

Action by Commission Authorized: The Commission may vote or act upon any item within this Agenda.

Attendance By Other Elected or Appointed Officials: It is anticipated that members of the City Council, other city board, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commissions and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the City Council, other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

This is to certify that I, Kat Balbi, posted this Agenda at 3:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020, on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas.



Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary



MINUTES
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Cynthia Shanahan-Segovia
Vice-Chair David Krawczynski
Commissioner Paul Sullivan
Commissioner Dr. Denise Miner-Williams
Commissioner Ken Kneupper
Commissioner Shannon Drichta
Councilmember Lisa Swint, Ex-officio (arrived at 7:01 p.m.)

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Troy Bippert (Voluntary Announced Absence)

City Staff, City Councilmembers, and Other Commissioners Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Kat Balbi, Assistant City Secretary

1. **Call to Order:** With a quorum of the Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioners present, Chair Segovia called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Advisory Commission to order at 6:03 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2020, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.
2. **Roll Call:** See above.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chair Segovia led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Chair Statement:** Chair Segovia had no statement this month.
5. **Citizen Comment Period:** No one signed up to speak.
6. **Business Items**
The following items are for discussion and/or possible action, including recommendations:
 - a) **Education/Training Session – Bats of Bracken Cave by Dr. Denise Miner-Williams (limited to 30 minutes total)**
Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams reviewed the presentation “Bats of Bracken Cave” (see attached). She answered questions from Commissioners and the audience.
 - b) **Approvals**
 1. **Minutes November 18, 2019, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting.**

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Kneupper, to approve the minutes for November 18, 2019, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

c) Discussions/Reports/Updates

1. Wildlife and wildlife incidents within the City of Garden Ridge.

i. Feral hogs.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, updated the Commission on the current status of hog sightings throughout the City.

ii. Police Department and Animal Services.

The Commission discussed the wildlife report from the Police Department and Animal Services.

2. Commissioner's Projects

i. Hog Management (Sullivan).

Commissioner Sullivan showed two videos about hog trapping (linked below). The Commission discussed upgrading the City's traps by purchasing new gaming equipment and requested to leave this item on the agenda.

"Wild Hog Trapping" by Jager Pro - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kmCuy0TJ2rs&feature=emb_rel_pause

"Introducing BoarBuster" by Noble Research Institute - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rsFXhGoDnW0>

ii. Development of subcommittees and/or assignments for Commissioners.

Chair Segovia reviewed a variety of assignments for the Commissioners. The Commission discussed the different assignments and agreed with the following:

- Commissioner Kneupper and Commissioner Sullivan: Hog Management
- Commissioner Dr. Miner-Williams: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department liaison

Vice-Chair Krawczynski and Commissioner Drichta stated they will select an assignment at the next meeting.

iii. Update regarding City and/or State wildlife management.

The Commission had no update at this time.

iv. Future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.

The Commission discussed the schedule for future education/training sessions: March – Commissioners Kneupper and Sullivan (Hogs).

3. Meeting Updates/Reports

i. December 4, 2019, and January 2, 2020, City Council Regular Meetings.

Chair Segovia reviewed the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission items discussed at the December and January City Council Regular Meetings, stating City Council approved the Wildlife Management Plan recommended by the Commission.

ii. Parks Committee Monthly Meetings.

Chair Segovia reviewed the pictures of the meadow at Paul Davis Park. The Commission discussed and revised a proposed letter of support. The Commission agreed by consensus to sign the letter of support addressed to the Parks Committee for the purposes of creating an ADA Accessible Path. Nancy Cain, City Administrator, expressed concern regarding this consensus due to not being an action item on the agenda, and the following day the City Attorney advised that this action was voided.

Councilmember Swint stated the Parks Committee will be hosting an Earth Day "Eggstravaganza" Event on April 4, 2020.

d) Recommendations

1. Deer Management Program.

i. Discuss status and make recommendations related to, if needed.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated the City is still in the process of securing locations for traps.

2. City of Garden Ridge Wildlife Management Plan.

i. Discuss updates and make recommendations related to, if needed.

Chair Segovia discussed writing a grapevine article for March about the Wildlife Management Plan.

3. Ordinance No. 210-022018 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge adopting board and commission policy and procedures; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.

i. Discuss and make recommendations related to application of ordinance provisions to commission members, if needed.

The Commission did not have any additional matters to discuss at this time.

e) Future Agenda Items.

1. Commissioners input on agenda items.

Chair Segovia stated the Commission should continue to review and update the Wildlife Management Plan.

2. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (March 16, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall).

Chair Segovia announced the next Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, March 16, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

7. Citizen Comment Period - limited to 20 minutes total

Rick Cross, 20637 Wahl Lane, spoke regarding hog traps and educational training on feral hogs.

8. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Kneupper, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, to adjourn. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Monday, January 27, 2020, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m. by Chair Segovia.

ATTEST:

David Krawczynski
Vice-Chair

Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary

GARDEN RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT



MEMORANDUM

To: Wildlife Management Commission
City of Garden Ridge

From: Ron Eberhardt
Chief of Police
City of Garden Ridge

Date: 5 June 2020

Copies:

Reference: Monthly Wildlife Statistics / 10 March 2020 to 5 June 2020

Members of the Commission,

Here is the data collected for the preceding weeks regarding the Police Departments involvement with animal related calls. These numbers do not include any cases related to domestic dogs or cats.

10 March 2020 to 5 June 2020

- 6 - Sick racoons - dispatched by Police Officer
- 2 - Loose cows - returned to property by officers
- 1 - Injured coyote - dispatched by Police Officer
- 1 - Injured skunk - dispatched by Police Officer
- 1 - snake - dispatched by Police Officer
- 1 - Deer stuck in fence - removed and walked away
- 1 - Injured deer - walked away under own power
- 1 - Fawn found - left alone



MONTHLY ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT

June 2020

Year to Date Wildlife Report

	Jan	Feb.	Mar	Apr.	May	Jun	Jul	Aug.	Sep.	Oct	Nov	Dec.	Total
Deer	17	18	8	6	9								58
Raccoons	6	9	11	6	5								37
Possums	5	8	5	8	5								31
Skunks	4	6	0	0	2								12
Wild hogs	7	5	0	0	0								12
Turtles	0	0	0	1	0								1
Squirrels	4	6	2	6	3								21
Foxes	0	0	0	0	2								2
Armadillos	7	6	2	0	0								15
Hawks	0	0	0	0	0								0
Bats	0	0	0	0	0								0
Coyotes	0	0	0	0	1								1
Buzzards	1	2	0	1	0								4
Ringtails	0	0	0	0	0								0
Snakes	0	0	1	2	0								3
Other	0	0	2	0	0								2
YTD Total	51	60	31	30	27								199

Additional information

Information on the 8 Deer:

4 - Vehicle
2 - Predator
2 - Released

Information on the 6 Deer:

4 - Vehicle
2 - Predator

Information on the 9 Deer:

2 - Vehicle
5 - Natural
2 - Predator

The 2 "Other" animals in March were porcupines.
Three rabies test were completed in April. All tests came back negative.

City Secretary

From: Mayor
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 2:25 PM
To: City Secretary
Subject: FW: WMAC Chair Resignation

Larry Thompson
Mayor
City of Garden Ridge
210-651-6632

From: Cyndie
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2020 10:52 AM
To: Mayor <Mayor@ci.garden-ridge.tx.us>; City Administrator <administrator@ci.garden-ridge.tx.us>
Subject:

Council,

It is with regret that I find I must resign from the Wildlife Commission for personal reasons, effective immediately. I have learned so much while serving and hope to be of service again in the future.

Thank you.

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Cyndie Segovia

Future Agenda Items

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission

July 20, 2020 Regular Meeting

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| 14 days before Meeting | (7/06/20) | Commission and Staff items are due |
| 10 days before Meeting | (7/10/20) | City Administrator and Chair review agenda. City Attorney is sent the agenda for approval. |
| 6 days before Meeting | (7/14/20) | Post Agenda on bulletin board and Commission will receive packet
(allowing a day and half for corrections and to request additional information to be added) |
| 4 days before Meeting | (7/16/20) | Post Agenda Packet to City Website |
| 3 days before Meeting | (7/17/20) | (72 hours) – Local Government Code requirement for posting |

City Council = Red

Impact Fee Committee = Pink

Quarry Commission = Purple

Planning & Zoning = Green

Water Commission = Blue

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission = Brown

Municipal Court = Gray

City Holiday = Orange

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Approval

1. Minutes 6-15-20

Discussion/Reports

1. Wildlife Management Plan and Health of the wildlife in Garden Ridge
2. Police/Animal Services Wildlife Report
3. City Council Update
4. Ordinance 210
5. Future Agenda Items (Commissioners' input / Announce next meeting)

Training Session

- TBD (possibly Humane Society)

August 17, 2020 Regular Meeting

14 days before Meeting	(8/03/20)	Commission and Staff items are due
10 days before Meeting	(8/07/20)	City Administrator and Chair review agenda. City Attorney is sent the agenda for approval.
6 days before Meeting	(8/11/20)	Post Agenda on bulletin board and Commission will receive packet (allowing a day and half for corrections and to request additional information to be added)
4 days before Meeting	(8/13/20)	Post Agenda Packet to CivicClerk
3 days before Meeting	(8/14/20)	(72 hours) – Local Government Code requirement for posting

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Training Session

PENDING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Education/training session regarding social media from City Attorney (Kneupper)
- Update on research performed on non-drug birth control studies (TBD).
- Hunting on Hanson Quarry
- Identify signs of wildlife
- Discussion on future surveys, including adult children (age 18 or older) living at home (Kneupper)
- Cost and provider for autopsy of a deer showing signs of Bottleneck (Krawczynski)
- Discussion on catching rainwater (Drichta)

UPCOMING EDUCATION/TRAINING SESSIONS

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission Rolling Attendance

	5/20/19 Regular Meeting	6/17/19 Regular Meeting	7/15/19 Regular Meeting	8/16/19 Regular Meeting	9/16/19 Regular Meeting	10/21/19 Regular Meeting	11/18/19 Regular Meeting	1/27/20 Regular Meeting	6/15/20 Regular Meeting			
Commissioners	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting	Regular Meeting			
Krawczynski	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Vacant												
Miner-Williams							P	P				
Kneupper	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P				
Drichta					P	P	P	P				
Bippert	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	A				
Sullivan	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
P	Present		P-QNM	Present but quorum not met		E	Excused for reasons allowed in Ord. 210					
U	Unannounced Absence			Not member yet		A	Voluntary Announced Absense					

Wildlife Management Advisory Commission's Attendance at City Council Regular Meetings	
2019	100%
2020	100%
2021	100%
2022	100%
2023	100%
2024	100%
2025	100%
2026	100%
2027	100%
2028	100%
2029	100%
2030	100%

Commissioners	01/02/20 Regular Meeting	02/05/20 Regular Meeting	03/04/20 Regular Meeting	05/11/20 Special Meeting	06/03/20 Regular Meeting								Total for year
Krawczynski													
Vacant													
Miner-Williams													
Kneupper		P	P	P	P								4
Drichta		P											1
Bippert													
Sullivan													
	Met requirements			Not met requirements									