

**Minutes**  
**Parks and Recreation Planning Board**  
**Regular Session**  
**June 6, 2006**

**Members Present**

Karen Bellessa  
Mary Long  
Francis Ngoh  
Nathan Barbera  
Susan Plonka

**Others Present**

Michael Kendall, Landscape Architect  
David Newton, Artist  
Michael Coleman, Public Art Committee  
Maury Marcus, Public Art Committee  
Judy Marcus, Citizen

**Staff Present**

Don Wendell  
Jim Fox  
Amy Fortenberry  
Robin Reeves  
Dana Conklin  
Jim Wear  
Ron Underwood  
Christine Eubanks

**1. Consideration of Minutes from the May 2, 2006 Meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2006 meeting was made by Mary Long, seconded by Susan Plonka, and approved 5-0.

**2. Update on Memorial Park Renovation Project, including the Park's Public Art Element**

Jim Wear, Creative Arts Manager, introduced Michael Kendall, Landscape Architect who discussed the Memorial Park renovations which included the public art element. Mr. Kendall reported that renovations will include the relocation of several trees and plaques from the Plano Park Foundation's Adopt a Tree Program. Mr. Kendall also reported that the renovation and public art project has a current budget of \$2,000,000.

Mr. Kendall reviewed other elements of the renovation project including the research, concept, and overall site plan for the project including a restroom facility, supplemental parking, and future plans for Phase II of the project.

David Newton, the artist chosen to design the Veteran's Memorial for the park, presented and discussed drawings for the memorial. A model of the project was presented and Mr. Newton discussed the representation of the five branches of the military which will be honored by the memorial.

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**Tour of Plano Parks**

Following the meeting, Board members and staff took a tour of various parks and facilities. The tour included a stop and the skate park in Allen. A copy of the tour route is attached.

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Mary Long, Secretary

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Date