

Creation of

College Station Parks Foundation

College Station Parks Department Mission

• To provide a diversity of facilities and leisure services which are geographically and demographically accessible to our citizens.

College Station Parks Foundation Mission

- Assist CS Parks Department (CSPRD) and City Council, neighborhoods and governmental agencies to improve CS parks system and recreational facilities.
- Develop parklands and recreational facilities *in cooperation* with the CSPRD and City Council.
- Acquire land and other assets to be improve parks and recreational facilities.
- Support the enhancements of recreational opportunities in CS parks system.
- Accept bequests and other donations to be used to further the mission of the Foundation.
- Research the park and recreational opportunities in the park systems of College Station.

College Station Comprehensive Plan

5.6 Identify and secure public and private funds for the acquisition of parks, greenways and facilities. Ensure adequate parkland and greenway provisions through the Parkland Dedication Ordinance, the Capital Improvements Program, annual budgets, City property acquisition programs, external dollars, *foundations,* and public-private partnerships.

5.7 Continue inter-agency coordination and establish new *public/private partnerships* to provide additional amenities, funding, networking and co-production opportunities. Seek partnerships with other public agencies to provide recreational amenities, greenways, and services where mutually beneficial opportunities are available.

Develop College Station Parks Foundation

- Create Formation Committee
- Develop Infrastructure
- 501 (c) 3 Status with IRS
- Secretary of State
- Secured Board Members
- Held 1st Board Meeting on March 30th

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- Separate 501 C 3 organization
- MUST Work extremely close with City Council, City Manager, Director of Parks
- MUST Work closely with Texas A&M University
- MUST Work via agreements with City on all projects pertaining to existing parks
- DO NOT Have naming rights authority
- ACTIONS
 - Celebrate College Station's 85th Anniversary
 - Engage the Citizens of College Station and Business Community
 - Support the Hensel Park project

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Tennis Courts at Bee Creek