

**CITY OF PARKER**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**HELD AT 1001 W. PARK ST, JULY 1, 2025 – 5:30 PM**

Mayor Andrew Kelly called the meeting to order with invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were present: Mayor, Andrew Kelly, Councilmembers Tonya Barrow, Katy Bodiford, Ron Chaple, John Haney, City Clerk Ingrid Bundy, and City Attorney Tim Sloan.

**ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda)**

Resident Pat Fousek, 1344 Stratford Avenue, inquired about upcoming budget workshops.

**AGENDA**

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilmember Barrow; seconded by Councilmember Bodiford. The motion was carried with all voting in favor; 5-0.

**Discussion of Kingfish Tournament 2026 – Pier 98**

Pier 98 owner, Paul Buholz, presented information regarding the consideration of a potential fishing tournament for the Fourth of July 2026. After discussion, it was determined that an exploratory committee should be established to research the possibility of a fishing tournament. Resident, Pat Fousek, offered her time to volunteer for the exploratory committee. The City Clerk, Ingrid Bundy, spoke to having a point of contact established between the City and the Committee.

**Ordinance 2025-426 – First Reading**

City Attorney, Tim Sloan, presented the details and that, with direction, Ordinance 2025-426 seeks to modify the existing Land Development Regulations (LDR) by amending the current abilities of approval for certain permits as granted to the City Clerk and any designee. As a result, Minor Developments would become subject to the City Engineer's approval prior to the issuance of any permit.

Councilmember Barrow asked for clarification on what specific Minor Developments are and shared concerns about the cost that would be incurred by the City to have the City Engineer review Minor Developments.

Mayor Kelly shared concerns about staff reading blueprints and making sure that the buildings being built are properly engineered. Councilmember Barrow inquired about the City Planner reading blueprints and Councilmember Haney inquired about the job description of the City Planner.

City Attorney, Tim Sloan, clarified the process for any next steps. Councilmember Barrow shared a discontent that Council was not made aware of the concerns prior to the meeting. Resident and Planning Committee Chair, Mark Rega, 1503 Dover Rd, expounded that certain authority was granted to the City Clerk due to criticism over the previous review process taking too long. He

further explained how it was recognized that EPCI ensures compliance with Florida building code. He suggested segmenting certain more complex developments, such as dwellings, docks, sea walls, and anything having complex structure that does require blueprints to pass on to the City Engineer and expressed his confidence in the abilities of the City Clerk and City Planner to continue to approve things that fall into a lesser category. Mayor Kelly shared concerns about homes and sheds being built that are not being inspected. Mr. Rega clarified that if EPCI has issued a permit, then it meets Florida standards. Mayor Kelly inquired about a property on Arrow Street that was built over the property line. Mr. Rega stated that the property was likely not inspected, and inspections fell to EPCI.

Mayor Kelly proposed that the LDR be modified to state that everything being built in the City of Parker should be subject to review by the Fire Department. He shared further concerns about a development currently being built on a hill that will fall if weight shifts. Mr. Rega clarified that if the city had approved such a development, then those plans had to have gone through EPCI and they, then, are responsible for ensuring compliance through inspections.

Mayor Kelly shared that he would prefer EPCI to be more involved with building inspections than they currently are. Mr. Rega did offer for clarification that not all developments require blueprints. Councilmember Barrow agreed with Mr. Rega's suggestion and that not all approvals require going through the City Engineer.

Resident Pat Fousek, 1344 Stratford Avenue, shared her understanding regarding fees and amounts charged. She shared her experience with EPCI and suggested a conversation with them to establish base fees and other assessed fees. She also reiterated the point that response time from EPCI has historically been an issue.

Discussion ended when no motion was moved.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS**


Councilmember Chaple asked for the approval from the council to build a bar section at the pavilion to be utilized for a serving area and to supply water. A motion was made to allow Councilmember Chaple to build the bar at his expense by Councilmember Haney; seconded by Councilmember Bodiford. The motion passed 4-1, with Mayor Kelly dissenting.

Councilmember Haney inquired about the speed being dropped at Earl Gilbert Park.

Councilmember Barrow inquired about replacing the City of Parker sign that was destroyed by Hurricane Michael. Mayor Kelly suggested including the amount for its replacement in the next fiscal budget.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 6:31 P.M.

Approved this 15th day of July, 2025.

  
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Andrew Kelly, Mayor

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Ingrid Bundy, City Clerk

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