

**CITY OF CEDAR HILL
BEAUTIFICATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025**

The Beautification & Environmental Sustainability Board met on Thursday, February 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the CHISD Training Room of the Cedar Hill Government Center. The following Board members were present: LaTambra Gibson, Patty Diaz, Nikita Russell, Lisa Lathon-Brooks, Terrie Brooks, Troy Bacon, Brian Hart, Carol Sosebee, and Robert Largent. Stacey DuVal was absent.

The following City staff members were present: Lauren Foust and Colten Richardson

I. Call meeting to order

Gibson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Approve minutes of February 20, 2025, March 20, 2025, and April 17, 2025 meetings

Lathon-Brooks motioned to approve the minutes for the February 20, 2025, March 20, 2025, and April 17, 2025 meetings. Sosebee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

III. Citizen's Forum

Gibson opened the Citizen's Forum. No comments were received. Gibson closed the Citizen's Forum.

IV. Neighborhood Involvement Discussion

Foust reminded the Board of the possible partnerships proposals discussed by Neighborhood Services at the February 20, 2025 meeting. The Board discussed creating a beautification and sustainability focused award within the existing Neighborhood Awards to include requirements such as participation in litter abatement initiatives, beautification efforts, and efforts to improve wildlife sustainability.

Sosebee made a motion to partner with the Neighborhood Advisory Board to create a "Beautiful and Environmentally Sustainable Neighborhood" Award. Hart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Continue Discussion of 2025 litter abatement initiatives

Foust updated the Board on the status of the Clean Cedar Hill Campus and the Green Business initiatives.

Russell notified the Board that she had made contact with CHISD Family and Community Engagement Director and they have identified a possible pilot school to launch the Clean Cedar Hill Campus school program. The Board indicated they would like staff to reach out to Trinity Leadership School to gauge their interest in being a pilot private school for the program.

Foust notified the Board that the June meeting will focus on the Green Business initiative and to be prepared to brainstorm and discuss.

VI. Staff Report

Foust asked the Board if there were any speakers/future agenda item requests. Foust notified the Board that the 2022-2023 Traffic Signal Box project was officially completed and that all 3 boxes were now wrapped. Foust reviewed the BES Board attendance record that was submitted to the City Secretary's office with members. Foust notified the Board of upcoming City and Chamber events.

VII. Vote on Service Recognition

Gibson added a discussion item to the agenda discuss a possible service recognition award for recently resigned BES Board member, Dr. Lester Singleton. Gibson discussed the desire to recognize Singleton for being a founding member of the Board and highlighting his years of dedicated service. Sosebee motioned to recognize Singleton's service to the BES Board with a physical award and the budget not to exceed \$100. Lathon-Brooks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.