



Parks and Natural Areas Roundtable

October 6, 2025

AGENDA

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| 2:00 p.m. | Welcome and Introductions
Andrea Tantillo, Houston-Galveston Area Council |
| 2:10 p.m. | Blue Cross Blue Shield Fitness Courts
Kennie Kerr, Partnership Development Manager, National Fitness Campaign |
| 2:50 p.m. | Parks Planning/Planning Resilient Parks
William C. Hajdik, CPRP, Assistant Director, Parks and Recreation, City of Sugar Land, and Fenglin Du, PLA, Parks Development Manager, City of Sugar Land |
| 3:30 p.m. | H-GAC Updates – Parks and Natural Areas Awards Applications and Event
Andrea Tantillo, H-GAC |
| 3:40 p.m. | Roundtable/Networking/Continued Discussions |
| 4:00 p.m. | Adjourn |

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the Fall Park Tour, TBA.

The Parks and Natural Areas Awards Celebration will be Friday, February 6, 2026, at H-GAC.

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SPEAKERS

Kennie Kerr — Partnership Development Manager, National Fitness Campaign

Kennie Kerr leads engagement with municipalities across Texas, Kansas, West Virginia, and Arkansas. In this role, she works closely with civic leaders to build strategic partnerships, expand access to grant funding, and guide communities through the qualifications and participation process for the Campaign. Kennie is dedicated to supporting cities in planning and delivering outdoor fitness infrastructure, ensuring that each project is positioned for long-term success and community impact.

National Fitness Campaign

The National Fitness Campaign (NFC) is a national health and wellness organization dedicated to expanding access to free, world-class public fitness. Through its signature Fitness Courts—outdoor gyms designed to promote movement and community well-being—NFC empowers cities, counties, schools, and universities to integrate fitness into daily life. The Campaign provides comprehensive support, including strategic planning, funding development, construction, and activation. With resources such as app-based programming, public art, ambassador training, and community engagement initiatives, NFC equips partners to deliver impactful wellness experiences. Its mission is to build healthier communities by making high-quality fitness universally accessible across the country.

William Hajdik — Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, City of Sugar Land

William Hajdik provides leadership in capital project development, strategic planning, and facility operations for one of the region's premier municipal park systems. William is a NRPA Certified Parks and Recreation Executive, holds an ISA Certified Arborist Certification and holds a Bachelor of Science from Texas A&M University. Since joining the City in 2013, he has advanced through multiple key positions — including Park Operations Manager, Facilities Coordinator and the Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation—contributing to the planning, construction, and maintenance of high-profile public assets. His expertise spans long-range infrastructure planning, vendor and contract management, and cross-departmental collaboration for large-scale municipal initiatives.

Throughout his tenure, William has managed multimillion-dollar project portfolios, optimized operational workflows, and supported policy development to enhance both internal processes and resident-facing services. His leadership emphasizes efficiency, accountability, and community impact, ensuring that public investments translate into long-term value for residents.

William holds extensive training in public leadership, emergency operations, and project management, supporting his ability to lead both daily operations and large strategic efforts. William was named the Assistant Director of the Year in 2023 by the City Manager. He remains committed to advancing the City's vision through responsible governance, innovation, and service to the community.

Fenglin Du — Parks Development Manager, City of Sugar Land

Fenglin Du plays a key role in the planning, design, and implementation of parks and open space projects. A registered landscape architect in Texas, she brings more than 20 years of experience in project management, master planning, and landscape architecture across both the public and private sectors. She holds a Master of Landscape Architecture from Texas A&M University and dual bachelor's degrees in Architecture and Communications from Tsinghua University in Beijing, China. Her work focuses on creating safe, resilient, and sustainable environments while fostering partnerships that support a vibrant, healthy, and connected community.