

PROS Committee March 4, 2026 Meeting Summary for the CCSD Board

The CCSD Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Committee held a Special Meeting Wednesday, March 25, 2026, 2:05-3:30 PM, in person at the East Ranch Community Park located at 2021 Rodeo Grounds Road. Since this meeting was on site without a recording, this report is a high level summary of key points of discussion from memory.

We had a quorum with all current Committee Members present: Matt Jaffe, Gary Stephenson, and Shannon Sutherland. PROS Committee Chair Thomas presided over the meeting.

Staff was represented by General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson, Facilities & Resources Manager David Aguirre, Utilities Department Administrative Technician Eric Johnson, and Fire Chief Michael Burkey.

Public Present: Christine Heinrichs, Gordon Heinrichs, Laylon Whitaker, Shelley Becker, Juli Amodei, Dick Clark, Tony Church, and Christina Galloway.

In Agenda Review, Chair Thomas discussed the purpose of the meeting today in context of the Board meeting tomorrow.

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items.

During this segment, and during Regular Business, we received public comments from Gordon Heinrichs, Shelley Becker, Juli Amodei, Dick Clark, and Tony Church.

REGULAR BUSINESS

3.A Discussion of Floodplain Location and East Ranch Community Park Features

Chair Thomas expressed appreciation to staff for flagging the floodplain line, reflecting that it appears to accurately reflect the floodplain line shown on the Community Park Phase 3 Plan map as well as other available documents.

General Manager McElhenie brought up the concerns he has heard from Directors regarding community park features, which are outlined in the agenda packet for the March 26, 2026 CCSD Board Special Meeting.

Some discussion regarding the fairly common use of floodplains for recreation in communities throughout the country, as well as internationally.

All committee members indicated they are entirely flexible regarding locations of any and all of the community park features.

After some discussion regarding whether to mark the specific locations of the community park features shown on the map presented in the Community Park Phase 3 Plan, all agreed that this would not be necessary or useful. It's easy enough to visualize the locations on the site, and what's important is to hear from the Board tomorrow regarding their preferences and direction regarding locations of these features.

Some discussion regarding potential higher ground alternative locations for the playground area, such as repurposing the southern end of the dog park, and the space between the dog park and the emergency access road.

Some discussion regarding relocating the disc golf to the northern area of the Community Park between the loop trail and Santa Rosa Creek.

PROS Committee March 4, 2026 Meeting Summary for the CCSD Board

Committee members asked for staff to clearly define the constraints, such as setback distance from the toe of the slope.

Some discussion regarding the type of commercial mower needed for mowing the playing field, typically costing ~\$15k.

General consensus was reached that of the list of proposed park amenities shown in the plan, the volleyball court might not make the cut, and the playground and gazebo would need to be on higher ground, not in the floodplain.

General consensus was reached that of the list of proposed park amenities shown in the plan, The priorities for the first wave of development would be:

- The group picnic area with horseshoes and cornhole, perhaps with a gazebo.
- The disc golf course, and
- The multipurpose play field.

And while we would include the playground in the plan, funding and construction would follow the elements listed above.

General consensus was reached on a potential path forward:

- Receive input from the Board of Directors regarding community park features at the March 26, 2026 CCSD Board Special Meeting.
- PROS Committee Community Park Phase 3 Plan Ad Hoc Committee update the plan based on input from the Board.
- Bring the updated Community Park Phase 3 Plan back to the Board for approval.
- Following Board approval of the updated Community Park Phase 3 Plan, a fundraising entity would be formed and began fundraising for development and maintenance of the 1st tranche of development.
- Once an agreed funding level is reached, staff will initiate necessary construction permitting.

4. Adjourned at 3:30 PM.

The PROS Committee Regular Meeting scheduled Thursday, April 16, 2026 has been cancelled.

The next PROS Committee Regular Meeting is scheduled Thursday, August 20, 2026.

It is likely that additional special meetings will be scheduled in the interim.

Respectfully submitted by Michael Thomas, PROS Committee Chair