

CROCKETT RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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TO: Recreation Commissioners
FROM: Recreation Department Manager
SUBJECT: Recreation Funding Poll Findings - Partial
Date: February 27, 2026

The Recreational amenities of Crockett are highly revered by Crockett and the surrounding communities. The Community Center, swimming pool, playground, bocci courts, and tennis courts are highly utilized. In 2025, the Recreation Manager successfully extended the pool's hours of operation by increasing the cost of swim passes. Other programming has been slowly increasing, mostly due to grant funds or volunteerism.

The Recreation Department has consistently exhausted its annual Recreation Use Tax funds of \$136,000 early in the fiscal year and has heavily relied on grants from various organizations. Recreation programs were reduced since March 2020 when COVID-19 shut down all non-essential public activities. Since stay-at-home orders were relaxed, the pool reopened with very limited hours, and programs did not resume.

The Recreation Use Tax has been \$110 per parcel since its increase in 2012 via ballot measure. Prior to the ballot measure, the tax was \$50. Increasing the Recreation Use Tax must be approved by a vote of the community. Before initiating a ballot measure, a Recreation Funding Ad Hoc was created to consider the feasibility of a tax increase. A poll was created to gauge the community's interest in supporting a tax increase.

POLL RESULTS

As of February 26, 2026, only 8 electronic polls have been submitted.

Q1. How important are Parks & Recreation programs and facilities to you and your household? (required)

- All 8 responses expressed that Recreation programs and facilities are important.

NVI - Not very important - 0

NI - Not important at all - 0

N - Neutral - 0

SI - Somewhat important - 3

VI - Very important - 4

Q2. Which Recreation services do you use or value most? (Select all that apply) (required) – This question allowed multiple options to be selected.

- Of the eight responses Parks and Open Space were the most used/valued, followed by Community Events, and then by the Swimming Pool and Tennis Courts.

Parks and open space - 6

Adult recreation classes and activities - 2

Swimming pool & tennis courts - 3

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Community events - 4

Playgrounds and facilities - 2

I do not currently use recreation services - 0

3. Due to inflation and rising costs, revenues are no longer keeping pace with programs and maintenance needs. If additional funding were available, which priorities would you most support? (Select all that apply) (required)

- Most agreed that maintaining existing assets should be the priority, followed by an equal distribution between Expanding Programs, Adding or Updating existing assets, and keeping services at current levels.

Maintaining existing parks and facilities - 5

Expanding youth and family programs - 3

Adding or upgrading recreational amenities (Pool, Alexander Park, Community Center) - 3

Keeping services at current levels with minimal changes - 3

4. Knowing that the Recreation tax rate has not increased since 2012, would you support an increase if funds were dedicated solely to recreation programs and facility maintenance? (required)

- Most agreed that they may support a rate increase if additional information was provided.

(Y) Yes - 2

(N) No - 0

(M) Maybe - 5

5. If you selected "Maybe," what additional information would help you decide? (Select all that apply) (required)

- About 50% of responses stated that the tax amount per household and how funds would be spent were most important in making a decision.

Estimated cost to the average household - 3

Specific projects or services funded - 1

Accountability and oversight measures - 3

Duration of the tax increase - 1

Other: Please explain in question 6. - 0

6. Please share any additional comments or ideas regarding recreation services or funding. (Optional)

- I wouldn't only support tax increase to support use for Crockett community members and activities driven by Crockett folks with designated time slots for local community member bookings only.
- Start providing community classes and events. Less focus on the pool. Be more fiscally responsible.

Add your email if you wish to be added to our Community News Distribution List. (Optional)

- One email

Should the District consider a ballot measure, enter your email if you are interested in helping with the ballot measure process. (Optional)

- - No responses.

(Working)

	Cntl # (Date or #)	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6 (Open)	Q7 (Open)
1	2/5 11:36 a	VI	Parks & OS	Maint	Y	Accountability	0	0
	2/5 11:36 a		Play & Fac					
2	2/9 8:55 a	VI	Parks & OS	Maint	Maybe	Duration	0	0
	2/9 8:55 a		Pool & Courts	Exp				
	2/9 8:55 a		Events	Keep				
	2/9 8:55 a		Play & Fac	Add				
3	2/11 5:45 p	SI	Events	Maint	Maybe	Costs	0	0
	2/11 5:45 p			Add				
4	2/11 7:38 p	VI	Parks & OS	Keep	Maybe	Costs	0	knudsen.jamie333@gmail.com
5	2/15 10:26 a	SI	Parks & OS	Maint				
	2/15 10:26 a		Pool & Courts	Keep	Maybe	Accountability	Too much overhead	0
6	2/23 11:09 p	SI	Parks & OS	Maint	Y	Costs	0	0
	2/23 11:09 p		A Classes & Activties	Exp				
	2/23 11:09 p		Pool & Courts					
	2/23 11:09 p		Events					
7	2/25/2026 19:48	VI	Parks & OS	Add	Maybe	Specify	I wouldn't only support tax increase to support use for Crockett community members and activities driven by Crockett folks with designated time slots for local community member bookings only	
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	2/25/2026 19:48		Events					
8	2/26/2026 8:45	SI	Parks & OS	Maint	N	Costs	Start 9rov8ding community classes and events. Less focus on tge pool. Be more fiscally responsible.	
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