

People for Prairies 2022 Speaker

Urban Planning



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Brandi Kelp began her career as an Environmental Coordinator with the City of Dallas in the Office of Environmental Quality on the Sustainability, Outreach, and Training team. She came to the City of Fort Worth in June 2017 as the Environmental Planner and Keep Fort Worth Beautiful Coordinator in the Environmental Quality Division of Code. In this position, she oversaw the development of the Environmental Master Plan and managed litter programs across the city.

Now, she is a Senior Planner with the Stormwater Division in the Transportation & Public Works Department and oversees the Open Space Conservation Program. She has worked on the program since its inception in 2019 and helped guide the process of prioritizing open space across the city in partnership with the Trust for Public Land and the development of the Fort Worth Open Space Strategy Report.

Brandi Kelp has a Bachelor of Science degree in geology and a Master of Science degree in Earth and environmental science, both from the University of Texas at Arlington. As a student researcher, she studied climate change impacts on North Central Texas and published *The Urban Heat Island of the North-Central Texas Region and Its Relation to the 2011 Severe Texas Drought*. Her background in climate science and the urban heat island, specifically in the Dallas-Fort Worth region, gives her insights into the challenges we will face in the future.

From Brandi Kelp

