

## 2010 Annual Report

## Navigation Committee of the Parks and Recreation Board

### Part I - Annual Review (January – December 2010)

- 1. Provide a brief summary of the work of the board during the past year including a list of their activities and achievements.
  - (23) Review and Recommendation of Site Plan cases

o(4) More than 2 residential docks on a single lot [25-2-1173(D)]

- o(4) A dock extending beyond 30 feet from the shoreline [25-2-1176(B)(2)]
- o(11) A structure constructed within 10 feet of a side property line [25-2-1176(D)(1)]
- o(10) A structure greater than 20% of the shoreline width of the lot [25-2-1176(D)(2)]
- o(10) Shoreline modifications or dredging in or along the lake [25-7-63]
- o(6) A dock extending beyond 20% of the width of a navigable waterway [25-2-1176(B)(1); 25-7-63(D)]
- o(4) Fill placed in Lake Austin, Lady Bird Lake and Lake Walter E. Long.
- o(2) Recommendation to the City Manager on placement of navigational buoys [8-5-3(A)]
- (7) Staff Briefings
  - (3) Chris Yanez; Principal Planner, Parks Department
    - Wave abatement strategies for Lake Austin Marina
    - COA cleanup efforts for Lake Austin after storm events
    - Boat dock ID tag/registration work
  - (2) Deborah Thomas; Division Chief, Legal Department
    - Appeal process for Parks Board decisions on boat dock site plans
    - Revised appeal process for Parks Board decisions on boat dock site plans
  - (1) Andrew Clamann; Environmental Scientist, Watershed Protection Department
    - Proposed code changes for trams and bulkheads



(1) Sgt. Louis Candoli; Lake Patrol Officer, Austin Police Department

- Buoy placement at Loop 360 boat launch
- (1) Items from Board Members
  - (5) Sara Marler; Chair
    - COA cleanup efforts for Lake Austin after storm events
    - Staff comments on Board Member Lee's resolution for wave attenuation team
    - Austin American Statesman article on legal decision for Texas coastline
    - Legal opinion on land capture
    - Distribution of newly adopted tram/bulkhead ordinance
  - (1) Jeff Francell
    - Approval and adoption of the proposed tram/bulkhead ordinance
  - (8) Carol Lee
    - Coordination between City Departments for lake development issues
    - Action on proposed tram/bulkhead ordinance amendment
    - Presentation on volumetric study of Lake Austin and Lady Bird Lake
    - Locate database of boat docks referenced by Phil Moncada
    - Resolution on multi-disciplined team for wave attenuation recommendations
    - Outreach and education for the Lake Austin drawdown
    - Status and methodology for numbering of docks on Lake Austin
    - Boat dock database status
  - (1) Linda Guerrero; Ex Officio
    - Possible transfer of boat dock authority to Development Review Department, Environmental Board and Land Use Commission

### • (13) Scheduled Navigation Committee Meetings

(3)Cancelled Meetings

- January 11, 2010
- March 8, 2010
- August 9, 2010
- (1) Special Called Meetings
  - January 25, 2010
- Annual Report compilation



#### Part II – Annual Evaluation

# (3) Evaluate committee actions throughout the year to determine compliance with the mission statement.

The actions by the Navigation Committee are in compliance with the mission statement as the committee is charged to review docks and shoreline modifications on Lady Bird Lake, Lake Austin and Lake Walter E. Long. The committee also will comment on the navigational safety of a proposed development and the effect the development will have on the recreational and natural character of the lake

# (4) Summarize input from staff and citizens assessing committee's success in complying with their mission statement.

Regarding the mission statement and committee goals as stated above, staff and citizen assessments are positive that the committee's 2010 activities and achievements are compliant with the goals of reviewing docks, shoreline modification, navigational safety and development effect on the public waterways.

#### (5) **Recommendations on whether:**

- a. The committee should continue operation or be dissolved: The Parks and Recreation Board's Navigation Committee have determined that the committee's operations should continue.
- b. The committee's functions should be modified, including the transfer of function(s) to another committee; and The Committee recommends that some functions of the committee may be modified or transferred to COA Planning and Development Review Department (PDRD) as they are responsible for development permitting, inspection and liaises with boards and commissions whose focus is on land use, drainage and environmental oversight; and PDRD has the ability to charge fees to recoup the cost of administration for public hearings and notifications.