



**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD / ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
JOINT COMMITTEE**

**Monday, January 10, 2011
Meeting Minutes**

Joint Committee Members in Attendance:

Linda H. Guerrero, Chair
Jon Beall

Mary Gay Maxwell
Mary Ann Neely

Staff in Attendance:

Laurie Dries, WPD
Tom Nelson, PARD
Johnnie Price, WPD

Gary Gregson, PARD
David Johns, WPD

The PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD / ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD JOINT COMMITTEE convened in a regular meeting on Monday, January 10, 2011, at the Parks and Recreation Main Office, 200 S. Lamar Blvd., in Austin, Texas.

Chair Linda Guerrero called the Joint Committee Meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes from the September 20, 2010, meeting were approved 3-0-1 vote.

2. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Sunken Gardens Improvements Update.....Gary Gregson, PARD
 - A status update on the repairs to Sunken Gardens was provided. A design consultant has been provided the scope of services to include shoring up fallen and leaning walls, and adding an operable gate for WPD staff to control outflow. A proposal from the consultant is pending. Once proposal is received and negotiated, design work can begin.
- b. Hydrodynamic Flow Modeling Update..... Laurie Dries, WPD
 - WPD staff have made much progress in working on agreement with University of Texas, but are still working to finalize. Modeling is expected to begin in Fall of 2011 and be completed by Fall of 2013.
- c. Flood Debris Removal Project Update.....Gary Gregson, PARD
 - A schedule and status update was provided. Barton Springs was due to close to the public as of January 25 and reopen no later than March 12. Less gravel and other debris will be removed than expected due to unexpected cofferdam size limits, dwindling spring flow prohibiting a pool drawdown, and restrictions from US Fish and Wildlife.
- d. Bypass Culvert Repairs Update.....Johnnie Price, WPD

- General design direction of the repair is to use a combination of rock anchors, soil tie-backs (anchors into hillside), and “heavy” concrete (a concrete mix designed for added weight) to stabilize culvert. Public input period for repair has been designated as January 10, 2011, through February 28, 2011, with Joint Committee voting to recommend repair option at February 28th meeting.

3. BUSINESS (Discussion and Action)

- None

4. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- a. No Director’s Report

5. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

- a. None

6. ADJOURN

Committee Chair Linda Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m. without objection.