

## PARKS & RECREATION BOARD / ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD JOINT COMMITTEE

Monday, November 21, 2011 Meeting Minutes

#### Joint Committee Members in Attendance:

Linda Guerrero, Chair Carol Lee Jennifer Walker Jerry Perales, Co-Chair Mary Ann Neely

## **Staff in Attendance:**

Tom Nelson, PARD David Johns, WPD Sharon Knotts, PARD Kimberly McNeeley, PARD Jodi Jay, PARD Gary Gregson, PARD Walter Passmore, PARD Sue Lambe, AIPP Meghan Turner, AIPP

The PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD / ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD JOINT COMMITTEE convened in a regular meeting on Monday, November 21, 2011, at City Hall, Room 1029, 301 W. Second St., Austin, Texas.

Chair Linda Guerrero called the Joint Committee Meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

## **1.** APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. The minutes from the October 17, 2011, meeting were approved 5-0-0 vote.

## 2. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

- Zoila Vega-Marchena spoke about trees at Barton Springs Pool. She gave suggestions about trees #18 & #19.
- Peter Steinhardt spoke about watering trees using Barton Springs Pool water. He also talked about short-term removal of debris and wants notes or information on flood debris project.
- Bill Bunch spoke about trees and tree removal. He mentioned test cutting trees with cross sections to compare with radar images provided by Davey Resource Group.
- Roy Waley talked about watering of trees, permit requirements, capturing rain & storm drain water to use to water trees. He also spoke about exploring one path instead of 2 down to the pool and wanting a pervious path to the monument.

# 3. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSION

- Walter Passmore improve communication failure of large limb on tree 18.
  Wants to remove tree 18 and reduce canopy on 19 since it is cabled to 18. He committed to the Board that he would communicate better with Board. Tom Nelson will find out who planted 2 small trees that died.
- Tom Nelson suggested putting tree update once a month on the agenda.
- Walter Passmore and the Board spoke about tree care and assessment.
- Sue Lambe AIPP gave an overview of AIPP and its program process.
- **4.** BUSINESS (Discussion and Action)
  - a. Grounds Improvements Project.....Brian Larson, Larson Burns & Smith
    - The 60 % Design Submittal of the Ground Improvements Project was approved by a 5-0-0 vote.

#### **5.** FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

a. Updated Tree Matrix from Forestry.

#### 6. ADJOURN

Committee Chair Linda Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. without objection.