



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Tuesday, September 25, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

Boards and Commissions Room

City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street

Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rivera called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Jane Rivera, Chair; Jeff Francell, Vice Chair; Lynn Osgood, Dale Glover, Carol Lee, Susana Almanza and Hill Abell

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Vice Chair Francell made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting of August 28, 2012. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0.

C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Andy Elder spoke on behalf of the Zilker Neighborhood Association to thank the Board and the Department on the efforts of the Little Zilker Playground improvements.

D. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

2. Vice Chair Francell made a motion to recommend to Council the approval of Permanent Use (927 sq. ft.), Temporary Use Work Area (1,320 sq. ft.), not to exceed 120 Calendar Days on parkland located at Adams-Hemphill Park, 201 W. 30th, with a mitigation value of \$16,268.75. Board Member Abell seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 7-0.

NON-CONSENT

3. 1.) Approval of a structure constructed at zero (0) feet from a side property line [Section 25-2-1176(D)(1)] and; 2.) approval of a structure extending 50 feet from shore [Section 25-2-1176(B)(2)].
Item was postponed to October 23, 2012.

4. Board Members Dale Glover and Susana Almanza were appointed by Chair River to the Joint Committee of the Parks & Recreation Board and the Environmental Board.

5. Board Member Lynn Osgood was appointed by Chair Rivera to the Downtown Commission.

6. Vice Chair Francell made a motion to recommend to Council to authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 60-month revenue contract with PLAYER'S CONCESSIONS, INC. to provide food-

concession services at the Morris Williams Golf Course for the Golf Division of the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) in an estimated net revenue amount of \$150,000, with two 24-month extension options in an estimated net revenue amount of \$60,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract net revenue amount of \$270,000. Board Member Abell seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0-1, with Board Member Glover abstaining.

7. Vice Chair Francell made a motion to recommend to Council the approval of a change in use to parkland for construction, operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of rainwater storage facility vent pipes located at 801 W. Cesar Chavez and 24,489 sq. ft. for irrigation at 900 Cesar Chavez. Board Member Glover seconded the motion. Board Member Osgood offered an amendment requesting the project manager to bring drawings back to the Board if the design of the interior pipes is changed. Vice Chair Francell accepted the amendment. The motion carried on a vote of 6-1, with Board Member Lee voting against.
8. Vice Chair Francell made a motion to recommend to Council to authorize an extension of the current Temporary Concession Agreement with the Foundation for up to one hundred and two (102) calendar days, beginning on October 22, 2012, and authorize only the negotiation and of a new concession agreement with the Foundation for two years in exchange for Foundation's obligation to use concession revenue to fund additional improvements at the site. The final new agreement must come to the Board for approval, then to City Council. Board Member Abell seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 7-0.

E. BRIEFINGS

9. Marketing & Communications Update was presented by Victor Ovalle of the Parks and Recreation Department.
10. Hancock Golf Course Update was presented by Kevin Gomillion of the Parks and Recreation Department.
11. Design Waller: A Competition was presented by Stephanie McDonald, Executive Director, Waller Creek Conservancy.

F. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Sara Hensley updated the Board on the following items:

*Any Given Child Education Launch

*Slack-lining is growing in popularity in our parks. Staff will be looking for options besides using trees for this activity.

*Boats are being stored on parkland at the Waller Creek Boathouse location. Staff will be working with the Austin Rowing Club to find alternative ways to store the boats so they are not on parkland.

*Staff will coordinate with the Board for the Board Retreat in October.

*PARC Executive Staff will be heading to the National Parks and Recreation Conference in mid-October.

* Jesse Vargas has been selected as Assistant Director. He will join the Department on November 13.

Assistant Director Cora Wright provided the Board with an update on the Council Resolution passed on August 23, 2012 regarding cemetery operations.

Assistant Director Kimberly McNeeley provided the Board with an update on the status of the Turner-Roberts Recreation Center; the outreach efforts on the Holly Shores project; the playground at Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park and an update on the Montopolis Green Belt Tributary Trail.

G. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Glover – will be forming a concessions workgroup.

Francell – requested a master plan for the Barton Hill Neighborhood parks.

Rivera – wants an update on the Off-leash Taskforce.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Rivera adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.