



2014 Annual Report

Concessions and Contracts Committee of the Parks and Recreation Board

Part I - Annual Review (August – December 2014)

- 1. Provide a brief summary of the work of the committee during the past year including a list of their activities and achievements.**
 - **(1) Committee Work Session**
 - Overview of Concessions and Contracts Committee Purpose and Scope and Establishment of Committee Processes and Procedures
 - **(1) Committee Training**
 - Discussion of City of Austin Purchasing Processes and Procedures
 - **(2) Briefing Items**
 - Lease and Finance, Design and Construction of Improvements by the Radisson Hotel on Parkland
 - Award, Negotiation and Execution of a Contract to Complete a Market Feasibility Study for Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park and Travis County Exposition Center
 - **(0) Special Called Meeting**
 - **(3) Interlocal Agreements**
 - Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the Ace Reading and Tutoring Program
 - Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the Use of Butler Fields by the AISD's Girls' Softball Teams
 - Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the Use of the Emma Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center (MACC) by AISD Teachers to conduct the Saturday Academy

- **(1) Master Plans**
 - Republic Square Master Plan Implementation – Recommended to Parks and Recreation Board that the Austin City Council authorize the execution of an agreement with the Austin Parks Foundation and the Downtown Austin Alliance for final design, construction, operation and management of Republic Square.

- **(3) Various Agreements**
 - Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park Golf Course – Recommended to the Parks and Recreation Board that the Austin City Council authorize the negotiation and execution of a Finance, Design, Construction, and Operation and Maintenance Agreement with Decker Lake Golf LLC for a municipal golf course at Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park.

- **(0) Amendments**

- **(3) Citizen Communication**
 - Use of park system for special events, especially Zilker Park.
 - Negative impact of the concessionaires, on Lady Bird Lake, on wildlife, such as the swans.
 - Request for a PARD resolution asking the City Council to delay the December 11, 2014 Decker Lake Golf Course vote.

- **(2) Special Reports**
 - Annual Concession Report – Provided comments to the Board regarding the performance and issues created through the provision of recreation services by concession in Town Lake Park.

 - Annual Report Compilation

Part II – Annual Evaluation

1. Evaluate committee actions throughout the year to determine compliance with the mission statement.

The Committee has supported the Parks and Recreation Board's purpose and duties by reviewing items brought before it and advising the Board regarding its findings.

2. Summarize input from staff and citizens assessing committee's success in complying with their mission statement.

The Committee has received comments from the citizens of Austin regarding the items brought before it for review and has given those comments due consideration when making suggestions to the Board for action. Staff concurs with the Committee's actions in complying with its purpose and duties.

3. Recommendation on whether:

The committee should continue operation or be dissolved:

The Parks and Recreation Board Concessions and Contracts Committee has determined that it should continue to meet on an as-needed basis and provide recommendations to the full Board on issues related to department contract matters subject to action by the City Council.

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