



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
Tuesday, April 28, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, Boards and Commissions Room
301 W. Second Street
Austin, Texas 78701

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMBERS

Jane Rivera, Chair
Jeff Francell, Vice Chair
Lynn Osgood

Dale Glover
Susan Roth

Michael Casias
Hill Abell

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting of March 24, 2015.

C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

D. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Consent

2. Make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the negotiation and execution of a park concession agreement with the Austin Parks Foundation to manage and operate a concession at the Old Bakery and Emporium site.

Presenter: Tiffany Cabin, Program Manager, Parks and Recreation
Reynaldo Hernandez, Landscape Architect II, Parks and Recreation
Patricia Rossett, Contract Administrator, Parks and Recreation

Location: 1006 Congress Ave.

Staff Recommendation: Recommended.

Committee Recommendation: On April 21, 2015, the Concessions and Contracts Committee voted 3-0 to recommend the approval of the negotiation and execution of a park concession agreement with Austin Parks Foundation to manage and operate a concession at the Old Bakery and Emporium site.
Offered on Consent.

Staff: Tiffany Cabin, tiffany.cabin@austintexas.gov
Reynaldo Hernandez, reynaldo.hernandez@austintexas.gov
Patricia Rossett, patricia.rossett@austintexas.gov

Non-Consent

3. Public comment period to consider the installation of a permanent marker at Auditorium Shores at Town Lake for President Obama's February 23, 2007 rally at that site.

Presenter: April Thedford, Program Coordinator, Parks and Recreation
Location: 800 W. Riverside Dr.
Council Action: Council Resolution No. 20141211-125
Board Recommendation: On February 24, 2015 the Parks and Recreation Board voted 6-0 to recommend this standing item on the PARB agenda for three consecutive months, starting in March 2015, in order to discuss the location and plaque, allowing speakers 1 minute to provide their input for a limit of 10 minutes total.
Staff: April Thedford; april.thedford@austintexas.gov

4. Make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the MOPAC South Environmental Study, including potential impact of the proposed MOPAC Expressway transportation improvements from Cesar Chavez to Slaughter Lane, and potential expansion of the existing Lady Bird Lake Bridge.

Presenter: Mario Espinoza, Deputy Executive Director, Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority
Melissa Hurst, Community Outreach Manager, Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority; mhurst@mobilityauthority.com
Location: MOPAC Expressway (Cesar Chavez to Slaughter Lane)
Staff Recommendation: PARD staff has no recommendation at this time until the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority is able to provide additional information on the impacts to parkland.
Board Recommendation: On April 13, 2015 the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee requested to forward this item to the full Board as an action item. Offered for Discussion.
Staff: Ricardo Soliz; ricardo.soliz@austintexas.gov

5. Make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the adoption of the Master Plan for Onion Creek Metropolitan Park.

Presenter: Randy Scott, Park Development Coordinator, Parks and Recreation
Location: 8652 Nuckols Crossing Rd.
Staff Recommendation: Recommended.
Board Recommendation: On April 13, 2015 the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee voted 2-0-1, with Board Member Casias abstaining, to forward this item to the full Board for review and recommendation. Offered for Discussion.
Staff: Ricardo Soliz; ricardo.soliz@austintexas.gov

E. BRIEFINGS

6. Brief the Parks and Recreation Board regarding progress toward finalizing a partnership with the Zilker Botanical Garden Conservancy to transition operations of the Zilker Botanical Garden from a Parks and Recreation Department direct service to a public private partnership operational agreement between PARD and the Conservancy.

F. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

G. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

H. ADJOURNMENT

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