



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
Tuesday, May 24, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.
Boards and Commissions Room, City Hall
301 W. Second Street
Austin, Texas 78701

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMBERS

Jane Rivera, Chair

Richard DePalma, Vice Chair

Alison Alter

Michael Casias

Rick Cofer

Tom Donovan

Alesha Larkins

Francoise Luca

Birger "Alex" Schmitz

Mark Vane

Pat Wimberly

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting of April 26, 2016.

C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

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

D. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Consent

2. Action Item Make a recommendation to the Director regarding the Highland Neighborhood Park and Reznicek Fields Master Plan.

Location: 401 W. St. Johns Ave., District 4

Committee Action: On May 9, 2016 the Land, Facilities and Programs Committee voted 3-0 to forward this item to the full Board for review with recommendation.

Staff: Charles Mabry, Park Development Coordinator, Austin Parks & Recreation Department

Non-Consent

3. Discussion & Possible Action Item Make a recommendation to City Council regarding Parks and Recreation Department Staff findings on The Grove at Shoal Creek PUD application as submitted on March 28, 2016.

Sponsors: Board Member Alter, Board Member Luca and Chair Rivera

4. Action Item Make a recommendation to the Director to initiate the posting of the administrative rules process adhering to Section 1-2 of the City Code for the Parkland Dedication Operating Procedures Rules.
- Staff: Randy Scott, Park Development Coordinator, Austin Parks & Recreation Department
5. Action Item Board Chair to appoint a working group of the Parks and Recreation Board for the Parkland Dedication Ordinance Operating Procedures and CodeNext; and directs the working group to provide a recommendation to the full board by July 26, 2016.
6. Action Item Make a recommendation to Council regarding the negotiation and execution of agreements with Huston-Tillotson University and the Austin Metro Baseball League for the maintenance and use of Downs Mabson Fields.
- Committee Action: On May 10, 2016, the Concessions and Contracts Committee voted 5-0 to make a recommendation to the Parks and Recreation Board regarding authorization to negotiate agreements with Austin Metro Baseball League and Huston-Tillotson University.
- Staff: Kimberly McNeeley, Assistant Director, Austin Parks & Recreation Department

E. BRIEFINGS

7. Briefing Item Invasive Species Update
- Presenter: Charles Vaclavik, Division Manager, Austin Parks & Recreation Department
John Clement, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department
8. Briefing Item Bulkhead Remediation at Emma Long Metropolitan Park
- Presenter: Andrew Clamann, Environmental Scientist Senior, Watershed Protection Department
9. Briefing Item Strategic Plan Update
- Presenter: Kirk Scanlon, Business Process Consultant, Sr., Austin Parks & Recreation Department
Robin Herskowitz, RH2 Consulting

F. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

G. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

H. ADJOURNMENT

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