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**Parks and Recreation Department Board
Minutes
July 11, 2000
Regular Meeting**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Department Board was held on Tuesday, July 11, 2000 in the Board Room of the Parks and Recreation Department Main Office located at 200 South Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas.

Board Members Present: Rosemary Castleberry, Chair, Ricardo "Rocky" Medrano, Vice-Chair, Clint Small, Mary Ruth Holder, Jeff Francell, and Carol Kim.

Staff Members Present: Jesus M. Olivares, Director, Kim Jamail Mitchell, Stuart Strong, Randy Scott and Donna McKennis.

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Rosemary Castleberry, Chair, at approximately 6:40 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, from the June 27, 2000 meeting

Board Member Mary Ruth Holder had changes to the minutes, second page, item number 1, second paragraph should read: After discussion, Mary Ruth Holder made the motion that Parks Board make the recommendation to approve the use agreement and temporary construction easement to rehabilitate a wastewater line in the Barton Creek Greenbelt with the understanding that this will be done in one phase and also that the Water and Wastewater Department will work with PARD to designate the staging area in light of what U.T. Professor Durden outlines as the important butterfly habitat and also, PARD will coordinate its use of the staging area for a project that we have, and with the understanding that the staging area will be restored with an educational kiosk with educational exhibit to be posted there. And, there were changes to item number 2., second paragraph, first sentence should read: Jesus M. Olivares, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department stated that the reason this item was on the agenda is PARD anticipated that this item would be on the next City Council agenda but it was not placed on the upcoming Council agenda. And, on the third page, item G. the first sentence of the Navigation Committee report should read: Mary Ruth Holder stated that when the contractor started working on the Lamar Pedestrian Bridge on the south shore, it was realized the barge couldn't get in close enough to the shoreline and there is a proposal to basically reconfigure the shoreline. Board Member Rocky Medrano made the motion that the minutes be approved with the

corrections submitted by Board Member Holder. Mary Ruth Holder seconded. The motion passed in favor (6-0-0).

C. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

None.

E. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Make a Recommendation to City Council Regarding Dredging for the Town Lake Pedestrian Bridge.

Mary Ruth Holder made the motion that Parks Board makes the recommendation to City Council to approve the dredging on the south shore of the Town Lake Pedestrian Bridge. Board Member Clint Small seconded. The motion passed in favor. (6-0-0).

2. Make Recommendation Regarding Construction of Yarbrough dock at 2105 Island Cove. File No. SP-00-2190DS.

3. Make Recommendation Regarding Construction of Schimsk Boat dock at 2611 Westlake Dr. File No. SP-002137DS.

4. Make Recommendation Regarding Construction of Levin Boat dock at 4512 Island Cove. File No. SP-00-2134DS.

Board Member Small stated that items 2, 3 and 4 have been placed on the agenda before and all are within the Land Navigation Code. Board Member Small made the motion that PARB recommend approval on construction of these three boat docks. Board Member Jeff Francell seconded. The motion passed in favor. (6-0-0).

D. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. Presentation on the 2000-01 Budget

Jesus M. Olivares gave an overview of the proposed draft policy budget using a power point presentation. Please see the attached presentation. Also, there were handouts that gave more detailed information regarding the budget.

F. DIRECTORS REPORT

The Director, Jesus M. Olivares reported that the KVUE News Community Picnic will be held Thursday, July 13th at 6:30 p.m. at Metz Park. The track meets held on Fridays at the Burger Activity Center are going great, a lot of participation by the youth. And, the closing ceremonies for the playground programs will be held Wednesday, July 19th at 6:00 p.m. at Fiesta Gardens.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Programs Committee – Will not meet this month. Rosemary Castleberry, Chair, appointed Board Member Medrano as Chairperson of this committee.
- Land and Facilities Committee – Some of the issues discussed at the last meeting were: Northwest Recreation Center expansion, a request regarding the widening of Barton Springs Road and a use agreement for parkland at Spicewood Springs Road and Capital of Texas Highway 360. Chair

Castleberry appointed Board Member Holder as Chairperson of this committee.

- Navigation Committee – Reviewed the boat docks mentioned above. Chair Castleberry appointed Board Member Small as Chairperson of this committee.
- Downtown Committee – Meeting was not held.
- Municipal Airport Advisory Committee – No information at this time.
- Arts and Recreation Committee – Appeal hearings are July 12th, 6:30 p.m. at the Dougherty Arts Center.

H. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Carol Kim received an e-mail regarding Park Police and their wearing bulletproof vests. The Director stated that the policy is that they are to wear their vests at all times; it is no longer their discretion as to whether it is worn or not. And, Mary Ruth Holder reported that the joint subcommittee with the environmental group is still meeting and reviewing the Gardens at Bull Creek. At the end will do a report on what all happened and what was decided.

I. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.