



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
Tuesday, July 26, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.
Boards and Commissions Room, City Hall
301 W. Second Street
Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rivera called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Jane Rivera, Chair; Richard DePalma, Vice Chair; Alesha Larkins, Tom Donovan, Francoise Luca, Birger "Alex" Schmitz, and Pat Wimberly

Board Members Absent:

Alison Alter
Michael Casias
Rick Cofer
Mark Vane

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting of June 28, 2016.

Vice Chair DePalma made a motion to approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting of June 28, 2016. Board Member Schmitz seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 7-0-0 with Board Members Alter, Casias, Cofer, and Vane absent.

C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Malcolm Yeatts addressed the board regarding his concerns about the Country Club Creek Trail and safe access of citizens of East Riverside/Oltorf Combined Neighborhood to parks and asked that Parks and Recreation Department works with the Real Estate Department on creating a recreational easement.

D. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Consent

Item 2. was moved to Non-consent agenda items.

3. Make a recommendation to the City Council for approval of Permanent Use (1.454 acres), located at 11901 Old San Antonio Rd. (Wunneburger Park). Parkland Value is \$43,700.

4. Make a recommendation to the City Council to authorize negotiation and execution of the second amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District to support the ACE Reading Tutoring Intervention Program.
5. Make a recommendation to the City Council to authorize negotiation and execution of the Building Use Agreement with the Austin Area Garden Council and to recommend the waiver of associated fees.

Chair Rivera read item 3, 4, and 5 into the record. Board Member Larkins moved to approve item 3, 4, and 5 on the consent agenda. Vice Chair DePalma seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 7-0-0 with Board Member Alter, Casias, Cofer, and Vane absent.

Non-Consent

2. Make a recommendation to the Director for approval of the proposed design for the expansion and renovation of the Dove Springs Recreation Center.

Marty Stump, Assistant Director, Parks and Recreating Department; Kimberly McNeeley, Assistant Director, Parks and Recreating Department; Kevin Johnson, Project Coordinator, Parks and Recreating Department; Alfred Godfrey, Architect, the Limbacher Godfrey Architects; and Sara Hensley, Director, Parks and Recreating Department, answered Board Member's questions about the project.

Board Member Donovan moved to recommend approval of the expansion and renovation of the Dove Springs Recreation Center. Board Member Schmitz seconded the motion. Chair DePalma asked about possible future citizen input and Board Member Schmitz amended the motion with the recommendation that the project comes back for community input before it is submitted to Council for approval. Board Member Donovan accepted the amendment to his motion.

The motion carried on a vote of 7-0-0 with Board Members Alter, Casias, Cofer, and Vane absent.

6. Make a recommendation to the Director for approval of Temporary Work Area (56,000 sq. ft.), Temporary Staging Area (10,800 sq. ft.), not to exceed 36 Calendar Days on parkland located at Shoal Beach at Town Lake (Peninsula south of Cesar Chavez). Proposed park enhancement value \$215,000.

Charles Kaough, Engineer, Watershed Protection Department, made a presentation to the Board on the Shoal Creek Peninsula Repairs project.

Vice Chair DePalma moved to recommend approval of this item. Board Member Larkins seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 6-1-0 with Board Member Wimberly voting against and Board Members Alter, Casias, Cofer, and Vane absent.

E. BRIEFINGS

7. Nadia Barrera, Public Works Department, made a presentation to the Board regarding Urban Trail Project.

8. Kimberly McNeeley, Austin Parks and Recreation Department made a presentation to the Board regarding alcohol possession in City of Austin Parks.

D. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Kimberly McNeeley and Mary Stump, Assistant Directors, Austin Parks and Recreation Department, provided general updates on Full Moon Event, disorderly conduct of visitors and heightened level of bacteria at the Bull Creek Green Belt and District Park, Connecting Children with Nature Grant, on crews assisting Public Works Department with mowing, new Cemetery Manager, Tonja Walls-Davis, and Keep Austin Playing event.

E. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board Member Larkins—requested a briefing on the Seaholm Intake Facility request for proposal.

Board Member Larkins— requested briefing and Onion Creek Metro Park Master Plan in the next few months.

Chair Rivera—requested an update on status report on Parkland Event Task Force.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Rivera adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.