

Minutes
Parks and Recreation Board
October 22, 1991

The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board was held on October 22, 1991 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Department Board Room, 200 South Lamar. Board Members present: Beverly Griffith, Neil Iscoe, Phil Friday, Ron Cartlidge, Charlie Gandy, Eliza May, and James Crump. Staff present: Manuel A. Mollinedo, Stuart Strong, Peter Marsh, Jody Hamilton and Donna Bohls.

CALL TO ORDER

Beverly Griffith called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

The minutes of August 27, September 9 and September 24, 1991 were approved as corrected.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Robert L. Thomas addressed the Board regarding needs at Rosewood Recreation Center.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

George Henderson, President, West Austin Youth Association, addressed the Board and presented an update on the replacement of Knebel field. Mr. Henderson thanked the City of Austin and the LCRA for the generous in-kind services provided in the relocation of this field.

Manuel Mollinedo reported on the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) Annual Congress in Baltimore. Jody Hamilton also reported to the Board about the Congress and upcoming changes in the NRPA regional organizations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Charlie Gandy reported that he had been appointed to the new City Council subcommittee on bicycles/mobility.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - ITEMS FOR ACTION

Approve Riverplace MUD proposed consent agreement amendments

This agenda item was deferred until the next meeting.

Approve Recommendation Regarding City of Austin Accounting Policies Regarding Utilities

This agenda item was deferred until the evening meeting in November.

Approve Recommendation Regarding the Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance

This agenda item was deferred until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Construction of a Single-Slip Boat Dock at 4905 Tortuga Trail

Ron Cartlidge, Chair of the Navigation Committee, reported the Committee reviewed the request and recommended approval in accordance with site plan #SP-91-0252DS. This recommendation required no second and the motion passed.

Approve Construction of Boat Dock at 4206 Watersedge Cove

This request from Signor Enterprises, Inc. on behalf of Homer and Michela Owens exceeded the 20% of shoreline development outlined in Section 13-2-795(3) of the City Code. Ron Cartlidge, Chair of the Navigation Committee, reported that the Committee reviewed the request for a variance and had no recommendation for the Board. Don Reynolds, developer and builder in the Watersedge Subdivision, addressed the Board as an advocate of the variance. Rusty Signor, Homer and Michela Owens also addressed the Board to explain the reason the variance was requested and the type of covered boat dock being considered. Mr. Reynolds supplied the Board with a letter from Rodney L. Gordy, adjoining property owner (Lot 33, Watersedge) supporting the Owens' request for a variance. After considerable deliberation, Charlie Gandy moved and James Crump seconded a motion to approve construction and grant a variance for the covered boat dock at 4206 Watersedge Cove. The motion passed. The variance is granted on the condition that the dock be constructed according to site plan #SP-91-0234DS and is not to extend more than 10' past the existing retaining wall or more than 26' in total length.

Bond Election Recommendation

Board Members discussed the possibility of land acquisition in the Barton Creek Area and the National Park Service study being completed in that area. Phil Friday and Beverly Griffith provided an overview of the background and current status of the BCCP.

The Parks and Recreation Board recessed from 9:50 until 10:45.

After returning to session at 10:45, the Board discussed possible revision of their bond election recommendation. This agenda item will be carried over to the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned at 11:00 p.m.