

**MINUTES**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
**July 12, 1994**

The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, July 12, 1994 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Department Main Office Board Room, 200 South Lamar Blvd. Board members present were Ron Cartlidge, Rosemary Castleberry, Erma Linda Cruz-Torres, Delores Duffie, Marianne Dwight, Mary K. Isaacs, Doug Johnston, and Rocky Medrano.

Staff members present were Michael J. Heitz, AIA, Maria Cicciarelli, Carlos Pineda, Peter Marsh, Donna Bohls, and Dolores Posada.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Ron Cartlidge.

**CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION**

Rosie Luna, Langford Elementary PTA Board representative, read a letter from Janine Lyndom, Silverstone Neighborhood Association President, regarding concerns about the delays in construction and changes to Kendra Page Park plans. Ms. Luna requested the following items be added to the agenda and specifically addressed at the next Parks Board meeting:

- \* volleyball court location;
- \* budget - before and current;
- \* completion dates;
- \* major park component order and priority of construction.

The Director informed Ms. Luna that these items are currently being addressed and by the next Board meeting the Department will be able to report on each concern.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Emma Barrientos, member of the Mexican American Cultural Center Task Force (MACC), gave a chronological report and update on the project. She requested continued support from the Department and the Board for the establishment of the Center.

**ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**ITEMS FOR CONSENT**

**ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION**

**ITEMS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION**

**Make recommendation to Council regarding proposed operating budget FY 1994-95 for the Parks and Recreation Department.**

Erma Linda Cruz-Torres, Rocky Medrano, Ron Cartlidge and Rosemary Castleberry voiced opposition to the elimination of a vacant park police position as proposed in Item #3 on page 31 of the Policy Draft Budget. Rosemary Castleberry indicated the Department also needs more money for outreach programs.

Ms. Cruz-Torres moved to table the item to the next meeting. Ms. Castleberry seconded the motion. The vote was 8-0.

**Make recommendation to Council regarding approval of Use Agreements in Givens Park, Tannehill Branch for drainage improvements and wastewater.**

Peter Marsh, gave a presentation on the staff recommendations regarding the Use Agreements for the construction of the Tannehill Branch Drainage Improvements Phase 2 in Givens Park. Staff recommended approval of the requested use agreement with the following conditions:

- \* Construction of this project shall be in accordance with the "Construction in Parks Specifications" adopted by the Board, April 25, 1990.
- \* All restoration and revegetation shall be completed to the requirements and satisfaction of the Parks and Recreation Department.
- \* Restoration and tree replacements shall be in accordance with the "Restoration Plan" included in the Information Packet for the project submitted by the Department of Public Works and Transportation. (See Attachment A)
- \* Temporary Use Agreements shall expire on completion of the construction of the project (the construction project shall include all construction and the establishment of restoration planting), and shall not exceed a period of three years after the date of approval of the project by the Parks and Recreation Board.
- \* The Project drawings shall indicate all approved use agreements within the parkland. The Director of the Parks and Recreation Department shall approve and "sign-off" on the drawings after use agreements have been approved and granted.

Doug Johnston, Land and Facilities Committee member, reported there was no committee recommendation.

Delores Duffie moved to accept the staff recommendation. Ms. Cruz-Torres seconded the motion. The vote was 8-0.

**Make recommendation to Urban Forestry Board regarding revision of the City of Austin Tree Ordinance.**

Ms. Castleberry asked that the proposed revision be written in legislative format.

Ms. Castleberry moved to postpone the above item until the first meeting in August, hold a Public Hearing, and requested that a representative from the Urban Forestry Board be present. Marianne Dwight seconded the motion. The vote was 8-0.

#### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was no Director's Report.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Cruz-Torres gave a summary on the Programs Committee Report on the following items:

- \* Reicher Ranch field trip July 15 at 9 a.m.;
- \* Budget concerns; and
- \* Aquatics update and improvements for next season.

#### ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mary K. Isaacs requested a Dick Nichols pool update at the next meeting. She also wanted to know when would the Dolphin be working.

Ms. Castleberry informed the Director of a citizen complaint she received regarding the Aquatics staff at Doves Springs pool. The citizens was concerned about the swimming lesson instructor and the lifeguard. The Director will have the Department follow up. She also received a complaint regarding a median off of Far West Blvd. The Director asked her to call him with the address of the obstruction.

Ms. Cruz-Torres asked why was the Department responsible for medians. The Director informed her it was because we owned the mowers. She also complained about the public nuisance created by cars parked along Pleasant Valley Rd. between the Longhorn Dam and South Lakeshore Blvd. Mr. Heitz will have staff investigate how the Department can solve the problem. Ms. Cruz-Torres informed the Director she had spoken with Paul Medrano, the architect in charge of the Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center, and he had told her the project could not go out to bid because of funds encumbered by ROCIP. The Department is working with the Assistant City Manager to resolve the issues surrounding ROCIP charges on all PARD CIP projects. She requested a PARD representative to attend the Parque Zaragoza Advisory meeting at which Mr. Medrano is to be present.

At the third Dove Springs pool opening, Mr. Cartlidge's letter was read and given to staff by Ms. Cruz-Torres.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Isaacs asked the initial "K" be added to her name.

Mr. Cartlidge had the following corrections:

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\* third paragraph from the bottom, first line: change "agrees the with" to "agrees with the"

\* third paragraph from the bottom, second line: delete "using the committee's" to "use committees"

\* third paragraph from the bottom, third line: delete the "s" in the Great Hills area Park Committees

\* last paragraph from the bottom, third line: delete "using the committee's" to "use committees"

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Ms. Castleberry had the following correction:

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\* second paragraph from the bottom, first line: add an "s" to car.

Doug Johnston moved to have the minutes of the regular meetings on 5/10/95, 5/24/94, 6/14/94, special meeting on 6/23/94, and regular meeting of 6/28/94 approved with the above corrections. Ms. Castleberry seconded the motion. The vote was 8-0.

#### ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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