



MEMORANDUM

To: Parks and Recreation Board Members

From: Jesus M. Olivares, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

Date:

Subject: Disc Golf Concession Management

We are recommending a permanent management concession for the Disc Golf Courses. Disc Golf is growing in popularity by leaps and bounds across the nation and we are trying to put some controls in place before it gets out of hand. The City has five courses in our Park system: Bartholomew, Zilker, Pease, Slaughter Creek, and Mary Moore Searight.

Some of the concerns of Disc Golf are the trash and bottles over the course, vandalism of the baskets, and erosion of the turf. Duties of the contractor could be, but not limited to, continual trash pick up, policing of the area, maintain the baskets, have no play days on rainy days, change the baskets periodically so the paths walked on change. Another benefit to the City are revenues from this concession.

We believe this is the future direction of Disc Golf and are excited about being an innovator to the solution of overcrowding and turf erosion. Again we are recommending to the Parks and Recreation Board that a permanent management concession be approved for the Disc Golf. If we are approved I would request a public hearing at your next board meeting on 1/27/98

If you have any further question please feel free to contact me at 499-6717 or Jay Stone at 499-6712.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jesus M. Olivares".

Jesus M. Olivares, Director
City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department