



**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
Tuesday, September 24, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.  
**Boards and Commissions Room, City Hall**  
301 W. Second Street Austin, Texas 78701

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMBERS**

***Present:***

<b>Dawn Lewis (D-10), Chair</b>	<b>Anna L. Di Carlo (D-2)</b>	<b>Francoise Luca (D-7)</b>
<b>Romteen Farasat (D-4), Vice Chair</b>	<b>Kate Mason-Murphy (D-3)</b>	<b>Nina Rinaldi (D-1)</b>
<b>Richard DePalma (Mayor)</b>	<b>Laura Cottam Sajbel (D-9)</b>	

***Absent:***

<b>Tom Donovan (D-5)</b>	<b>Fred Morgan (D-6)</b>	<b>Kim Taylor (D-8)</b>
--------------------------	--------------------------	-------------------------

**MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board regular meeting of August 27, 2019.**

Board Member Richard DePalma moved to approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board regular meeting as written.

Board Member Romteen Farasat seconded the motion.

Motion carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

**2. Approve the minutes of the Special Called Parks and Recreation Board meeting of September 10, 2019.**

Board Member Romteen Farasat moved to approve the minutes of the Special Called Parks and Recreation Board meeting of September 10, 2019.

Board Member Kate Mason-Murphy seconded the motion.

Motion carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

**C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

**The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order, will each be allotted three minutes to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.**

There were no citizen communications.

**D. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

**Consent**

**3. Recommend to the Austin City Council to authorize the execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Parkland Improvement, Management, and Operations Agreement for Republic Square Park between the City, Austin Parks Foundation, and the Downtown Austin Park, LLC.**

Board Members Kate Mason-Murphy and Laura Cottam-Sajbel requested removal of the item from the Consent Agenda based on questions regarding the amendment. There was one citizen comment from a representative with Sustainable Food Center, regarding the agreement with Sustainable Food Center and the number of vendors that participate in the farmers market at Republic Square Park on Saturdays. Mandy Thomas, with the Downtown Austin Alliance, was asked to provide information regarding the nature of the agreement. Board Member Richard DePalma moved to delay the item until the October 2019 Parks and Recreation Board meeting. Board Member Romteen Farasat seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

4. **Recommend to the Austin City Council to authorize the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Community College to provide space at the Asian American Resource Center for adult education classes.**

Presenter: Sona Shah, Culture and Arts Education Manager, PARD

Board Member Richard DePalma moved to approve the item, with Board Member Dawn Lewis seconding the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

5. **Make a recommendation to the Austin City Council for approval of Permanent Use (13,431 sq. ft.), Temporary Use Area (10,745 sq. ft.), not to exceed 120 Calendar Days on parkland located at 1200 W. Cesar Chavez (Lamar Beach Metro Park). Total Mitigation is \$325,894.**

Presenters: Randi Jenkins, Program Manager, Austin Water

Wendi Henson, Real Estate Supervisor, Austin Energy

Item was moved to the non-consent agenda on a motion by Board Member Laura Cottam-Sajbel, seconded by Board Member Romteen Farasat, and carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

Board Member Nina Rinaldi moved to approve the item as written. The motion was seconded by Board Member Richard DePalma and carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

#### **Non-consent**

6. **Briefing, discussion and action to recommend approval to Austin City Council for the Parks and Recreation Long Range Plan**

Presenters: Kim McKnight, MSHP, AICP, CNU-A; Environmental Conservation Program Manager, Park Planning Division, PARD

Nancy O'Neill, AICP; Associate Planner, WRT

Board Member Nina Rinaldi moved to approve the item with amendments. Board Member Romteen Farasat seconded the motion. The motion failed on a vote of 3-2, with 3 Board Members abstaining and Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

7. **Recommend to the Austin City Council to authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement with the successful proposer, Springfed LLC JV, to provide a food and beverage concession at Zilker Park.**

Presenter: Denisha Cox, Contract Management Specialist IV, PARD

Board Member Richard DePalma moved to approve the item, Board Member Francoise Luca seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 8-0, with Board Members Donovan, Taylor and Morgan absent.

8. **Make a recommendation to the Austin City Council for approval of Permanent Use (24,737 sq. ft.), Temporary Use (2,441 sq. ft.) not to exceed (11) months on parkland located at 30 E. Ave (Waller Beach at Town Lake Metro Park). Total Mitigation amount is \$804,714.**

Presenter: Randi Jenkins, Program Manager, Austin Water

Wendi Henson, Real Estate Supervisor, Austin Energy

The item was postponed until the October 2019 Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

**E. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

PARD Director Kimberly McNeeley reviewed highlights of the Parks and Recreation Board Director's Report.

**F. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Items or information requested:

Nina Rinaldi – Parks funding update

Anna Di Carlo – Information regarding publicizing Parks and Recreation Board meetings.

Kate Mason-Murphy – Requested a presentation regarding the Williamson Creek Greenbelt plan

Francoise Luca – Requested information regarding the Millwood Park trees

Laura Cottam-Sajbel – Resolution regarding parking access at parks and facilities

Richard DePalma – Special purpose agreements/limited district process; CIP improvement plan presentation on the 2018 bond

Dawn Lewis – Parkland dedication presentation; pool report

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm

The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the American with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Meeting locations are planned with wheelchair access. If requiring Sign Language Interpreters or alternative formats, please give notice at least 2 days (48 hours) before the meeting date. Please call Shelley Franklin, with the Austin Parks and Recreation Department, at 512-974-6717, for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711. For more information on the Parks and Recreation Board, please contact Shelley Franklin at [Shelley.Franklin@austintexas.gov](mailto:Shelley.Franklin@austintexas.gov) or by phone at 512-974-6717.