



**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
Tuesday, August 27, 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>Richard DePalma (Mayor)</b>	<b>Laura Cottam Sajbel (D-9)</b>	
<b>Nina Rinaldi (D-1)</b>	<b>Fred Morgan (D-6)</b>	

*Absent:*

**Tom Donovan (D-6)**  
**Kim Taylor (D-8)**

**MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Time: 6:05 pm

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board regular meeting of June 25, 2019.**

Fred Morgan moved to approve.  
Romteen Farasat seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**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.**

Three citizen communications:  
Kevin Reinis  
Robert Battaile  
Craig Nazor

**D. BRIEFINGS**

- 2. Park Outdoor Lighting Program Update**

Presenter: Jim Clark, Engineer, Park Development Division, PARD

Question from Rich DePalma regarding “gap” and Butler Trail  
Question from Francouse Luca regarding budget

**3. Austin Parks Foundation Update**

Presenter: John Rooney, Austin Parks Foundation

Question from Rich DePalma regarding challenges and how to help

Question from Laura Cottam-Sajbel regarding innovation in ADA-related and all abilities activities

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

**Consent**

- 4. Make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Community College to provide an occasional meeting space at the Oakwood Cemetery Chapel for educational purposes related to the Great Questions Course.**

Francoise Luca made a motion to approve

Fred Morgan seconded the motion

Motion passed unanimously with 9 in favor and 2 absent

**Non-consent**

- 5. Make a recommendation to the City Council to adopt the Asian American Resource Center Master Plan.**

Presenter: Greg Montes, Program Manager, Park Planning Division, PARD

Question from Nina Rinaldi regarding mobility and connection with Walnut Trail

Question from Romteen Farasat regarding parking

Question from Rich DePalma regarding accessibility and bridge safety

Question from Francoise Luca regarding the number of online survey responses

Nina Rinaldi made a motion to approve

Rich DePalma seconded the motion

Motion passed unanimously with 9 in favor and 2 absent

- 6. Make a recommendation to the City Council for approval of Permanent Use (115,900 sq. ft.), Temporary Staging/Access Area (25,000 sq. ft.), not to exceed 450 Calendar Days on parkland located at 5801 Ainez Dr. (Dove Springs District Park). Total Mitigation is \$181,738.**

Presenter: Greg Montes, Program Manager, Park Planning Division, PARD

Citizen comment: Ana Aguirre, Southeast Combined Neighborhood Plan Contact Team spoke in favor of the item.

Question from Rich DePalma regarding the mitigation cost calculations

Rich DePalma moved to postpone the vote until the September Parks Board meeting in order to resolve the mitigation questions.

Francoise Luca seconded the motion

Motion passed with 7 in favor, 2 (Morgan and DiCarlo) voting no and 2 absent

- 7. Make a recommendation to the City Council for approval of Permanent Road and Water Quality Pond Use (25,074 sq. ft.), Temporary Embankment Area (26,136 sq. ft.), Temporary Storage Area (2,178 sq. ft.), not to exceed 550 Calendar Days on parkland located west of S. Pleasant Valley Rd. (Onion Creek Greenbelt). Total Mitigation is \$118,869.**

Presenter: Greg Montes, Program Manager, Park Planning Division, PARD

Anna DiCarlo made a motion to approve the item  
Romteen Farasat seconded the motion  
Motion passed unanimously with 9 in favor and 2 absent

**8. Make a recommendation to the Parks and Recreation Department Director to approve Pease Park Conservancy's request for an on-site recognition for a considerable donation from Dale and Libby Linebarger to be used for the future operation and maintenance of The Historic Tudor Cottage at Kingsbury Commons within Pease District Park.**

Presenter: Christine Chute Canul, Development Administrator, Park Planning Division, PARD

Laura Cottam-Sajbel made a motion to approve the item  
Rich DePalma seconded the motion  
Motion passed unanimously with 9 in favor and 2 absent

**9. Contracts and Concessions Committee Chair appointment**

Dawn Lewis made a motion to appoint Francoise Luca as Chair of the Contracts and Concessions Committee

Rich DePalma seconded the motion

Motion passed unanimously with 9 in favor and 2 absent

**F. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**G. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Francoise Luca – Parkland dedication and the new stadium.

1. Parkland dedicated for housing on development
2. Eight acres of parkland required. Development is at four acres. She is concerned about how credit is applied to reduce parkland dedication total. She wants the Parks Board to create a process for evaluating.

Laura Cottam-Sajbel – wants the Parks Board to discuss metered parking, specifically what is the process to determine where it is needed and how is the money from the meter fees used?

Rich DePalma – would like to discuss bocce courts and leagues; Austin Rowing Club; getting a safety report.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Time: 9:16 pm

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