



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
Special Called Meeting
Tuesday, September 10, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.
Britton, Durst, Howard and Spence Building
1183 Chestnut Avenue, Austin, TX 78702

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMBERS

Present:

Dawn Lewis (D-10), Chair	Anna L. DiCarlo (D-2)	Francoise Luca (D-7)
Romteen Farasat (D-4), Vice Chair	Kate Mason-Murphy (D-3)	Kim Taylor (D-8)
Richard DePalma (Mayor)	Laura Cottam Sajbel (D-9)	
Nina Rinaldi (D-1)	Fred Morgan (D-6)	

Absent:

Tom Donovan

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Time: 1:07 pm

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- 1. 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.**

One general citizen communication from Mary Olmsted regarding Williamson Creek Greenbelt and use of mitigation funds.

C. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS

Consent

- 2. Submit a letter of support from the Parks and Recreation Board to City Council recommending renaming the Central Williamson Creek Nature Trail for Parks and Recreation Board Member Tom Donovan.**

Presenter: Kate Mason-Murphy, Parks and Recreation Board Member

Kate Mason-Murphy moved to approve the item.

Fred Morgan seconded the motion.

The item passed with 10 in favor and one absent.

Non-Consent

- 3. 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 \$312,777.**

Presenter: Kalpina Sutaria, Project Manager

Amendment to the item: Total Mitigation amount amended to \$388,672
Ten citizen communications regarding the item.

Questions from Board Members:

Romteen Farasat – Can Public Works Department come back to the Parks Board with a design prior to beginning the permitting process?

Dawn Lewis – Can the item be sent to City Council with recommendations, such as establishing an advisory board?

Anna DiCarlo moved to approve the item, amended as follows:

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 Park), Total Mitigation is \$388,672; recommend all mitigation funds be used within the Dove Springs neighborhood to mitigate loss of parkland; recommend establishing an advisory board to see the project through to include a parks board member, an early childhood representative, a mental health representative, and community representation to establish and advocate for the mission of this facility; and recommend that Parks and Recreation Department and Austin Public Health staff will place an agenda item before the Parks and Recreation Board to brief the board and accept feedback on the design before the 60% design phase is finalized.

Fred Morgan seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 8 voting in favor.

Francoise Luca voted against the motion.

Nina Rinaldi abstained from voting.

Tom Donovan was absent.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Time: 2:38 pm

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