



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
September 14, 2021
MINUTES

The Parks and Recreation Board convened in a special meeting on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 2220 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in Attendance: Dawn Lewis, Nancy Barnard, Laura Cottam Sajbel, Anna Di Carlo, Sarah Faust and Kimberly Taylor.

Board Members Absent: Richard DePalma, Lisa Hugman and Nina Rinaldi.

Staff in Attendance: Kimberly McNeeley, Liana Kallivoka, Anthony Segura, Scott Grantham, Robynne Heymans, Steven Linnet, Thomas Rowlinson, Randy Scott, Atha Phillips, Liz Johnston and Sammi Curless.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the regular meeting of August 24, 2021 were approved on Board Member Faust motion, Board Member Cottam Sajbel second on a 6-0 vote with Vice Chair DePalma and Board Members Hugman and Rinaldi absent and two vacancies.

B. STAFF BRIEFING

1. Presentation on parkland dedication and overview of recent achievements in acquiring new parkland. Presentation material is available online at austintexas.gov/atxparkland and https://youtu.be/_m7dM94FSgw.

Thomas Rowlinson and Robynne Heymans of the Parks and Recreation Department made a presentation and answered questions from the Board. The viewing of the Parkland Acquisitions video was taken up with Item B2.

To ensure adequate time for discussion, Chair Lewis moved Item C1 to be heard after Item B1 and Item B2 was heard after Item C2.

2. Presentation regarding the implementation of the 2018 Bond Program.

Steven Linett and Randy Scott of the Parks and Recreation Department made a presentation and answered questions from the Board.

C. NEW BUSINESS: PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to the Planning Commission regarding the applicant's appeal of the Parkland Dedication Requirements for 403 East Koenig Lane (SP-2020-0419C; Koenig MF).

Board Member Barnard made a motion to recommend to the Planning Commission to deny the applicant's request to exclusively pay fee in lieu of land dedication for Koenig Multifamily (SP-2020-0419C); Board Member Cottam Sajbel seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote with Vice Chair DePalma and Board Members Hugman and Rinaldi absent and two vacancies.

2. Presentation and discussion on the proposed 305 South Congress Avenue "Statesman" Planned Unit Development.

Scott Grantham of the Parks and Recreation Department and Atha Phillips of the Watershed Protection Department made a presentation and answered questions from the Board. No action was taken on this item.

3. Discussion of potential Parks and Recreation Board Retreat.

Chair Lewis engaged Board Members to gauge their interest in a retreat to be held in the near term and will explore an agenda, date and time.

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Chair Lewis adjourned the meeting at 9:51pm.