



***PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
AUGUST 22, 2022***

The PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD convened in a REGULAR meeting on AUGUST 22, 2022, at 301 W. 2ND STREET in Austin, Texas.

Chair Cottam Sajbel called the PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance: Laura Cottam Sajbel, Sarah Faust
Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: Nancy Barnard, Richard DePalma, Anna Di Carlo, Kathryn Flowers, Dawn Lewis, Patrick Moore, Kimberly Taylor.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Wendy Todd – Statesman PUD
David Todd – Blunn Creek Partnership
Garrett Nick – Statesman PUD and off leash issues
William Maise – Butler Pitch & Putt
Scott Cobb – Barton Springs Lifeguard
Kevin Reinis – Austin Rowing Club
Karen Carter – Butler Pitch & Putt

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board Regular Meeting on July 25, 2022.
The minutes from the meeting of July 25, 2022 were approved on Vice Chair Faust's motion, motion, Board Member Lewis' second on a 9-0 vote. Board Members Hugman and Rinaldi absent.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Staff briefing on Parks and Recreation Department Community Engagement Events, Planning Updates, Development Updates, Maintenance Updates, Program Updates and Administrative updates.
Kimberly McNeeley, Director, Parks and Recreation Department provided a briefing and answered questions.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation from the Off-Leash Dog working group.
Board Members discussed this item. The motion to approve the recommendation to encourage City of Austin and the Parks and Recreation Department to explore all available means to educate the public about this issue, and to expand fenced off-leash dog areas, prioritizing the high density areas that lack these facilities was approved on Board Member Lewis' motion, Board Member DePalma's second on a 9-0 vote. Board Members Hugman and Rinaldi absent.
4. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding changes to the 305 S. Congress PUD.
Board Members discussed this item. The motion to approve the recommendation that City Council hold this 305 S. Congress PUD Amendment applicant – like all others – to full superiority, as detailed in the recommended conditions of the Parks and Recreation Board, the Environmental Board, and the Planning Commission was approved on Chair Cottam Sajbel's motion, Board Member Lewis' second on a 9-0 vote. Board Member Hugman and Rinaldi absent.
5. Discussion and possible action regarding the formation of a Homelessness Working Group.
Board Members discussed this item. The motion to form a Homelessness Working Group to be led by Board Member Hugman and supported by Board Members DePalma and Flowers was approved on Chair Cottam Sajbel's motion, Board Member Taylor's second on a 9-0 vote. Board Members Hugman and Rinaldi absent.
6. Discussion and possible action regarding the formation of an Aquatics Working Group.
Board Members discussed this item. The motion to form an Aquatics Working Group to be led by Board Member Barnard and supported by Chair Cottam Sajbel was approved on Board Member Barnard's motion, Chair Cottam Sajbel's second on a 9-0 vote. Board Members Hugman and Rinaldi absent.

WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES

7. Update from South Central Waterfront Advisory Board.
No update.
8. Update from Downtown Commission.
Board Member Taylor gave an update.
9. Update from Joint Sustainability Committee.
Board Member DePalma gave an update.
10. Update from Zilker Park Vision Plan Working Group.
No update.

11. Update from Crime and Law Enforcement in Parks Working Group.
Board Member Lewis gave an update.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Taylor – Looking to be replaced on the Downtown Commission

DePalma – Report on Parks and Recreation Departments approved FY23 budget

Cottam Sajbel – Update on Parkland Dedication Fees

Chair Cottam Sajbel adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the September 26, 2022 meeting on Board Member Moore's motion, Board Member Barnard's second on a 11-0 vote.