# SAVE HISTORIC MUNY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: December 14, 2022

Location: Lions Municipal Golf Course

Tom Penick Board Room

2901 Enfield Road Austin TX 78703

Meeting Time: 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Mary Arnold\*
Brian Greig\*
Andrea McWilliams\*
Volma Overton III\*\*
Ken Tiemann\*

Bob Ozer – Save Muny
Holly Reed – President, West Austin Neighborhood Group
Junie Plummer – Real Estate Negotiator
Ethan Smith – Student Housing Advocate
Gina Hinojosa – Texas House Representative, District 49
Lauren Hadley – Chief of Staff, Texas House Representative Gina Hinojosa
Erik Lopez – Manager, Lions Municipal Golf Course
Steve Hammond – Division Manager, Austin Parks & Recreation Dept.

#### **Minutes:**

#### 1. Call to Order

Mary Arnold called the meeting to order at 2:28 p.m.

### 2. Item 1 (Public Communication)

Ethan Smith (Student Housing Advocate): Mr. Smith updated the Board on his continued legislative efforts towards a student housing bill. He is currently looking for bipartisan sponsors in both the Texas House and Texas Senate. A recent meeting with Dean Seshazo, UT LBJ School of Public Affairs, was fruitful. A longer meeting is scheduled for next week.

<sup>\*</sup>denotes Save Historic Muny District (SHMD) Board Member

<sup>\*\*</sup>denotes attendance via video conference

<u>Bob Ozer (Save Muny):</u> Mr. Ozer discussed the recent mayoral runoff election and how local politics could play a role in the preservation of Lions Municipal Golf Course.

Steve Hammond (Division Manager, Austin Parks & Recreation Dept.): Mr. Hammond informed the Board of the recent 60-month lease for a new fleet of golf carts at Muny. Lions Municipal continues to draw many players, achieving 100,000 unique visits for the year. Course improvement needs were discussed as potential uses for the concession profit-share funds. Specific items will soon be presented to the Board for consideration.

### 3. Item 2 (Approval of 11/16/22 Meeting Minutes)

Mary Arnold moved that the 11/16/22 draft minutes be adopted. Andrea McWilliams seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.** 

Mary Arnold moved that the 11/29/22 special meeting draft minutes be adopted. Volma Overton III seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.** 

#### 4. Item 3 (Treasurer's Report)

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Ken Tiemann reported the vendor account balance is \$85,594.42. The regular SHMD checking balance is \$286.35. Cisco's Restaurant reported November net sales of \$47,712.85 and paid a \$4,771.29 profit share.

# 5. Item 4 (Introduction of Rep. Gina Hinojosa, Dist. 49 and discussion of Legislative Role re Lions Municipal Golf Course and its future)

Gina Hinojosa (Texas House Representative, District 49): Representative Hinojosa introduced herself to the Board. She is entering her fourth term in the Texas House and her district includes an area between MoPac and I-35. Part of that area is also within the boundaries of the SHMD. Representative Hinojosa asked questions about the role of the SHMD. She was receptive to again supporting the necessary renewal of the SHMD in the upcoming session of the Texas

Legislature, noting that Representative Howard and Senator Eckhardt will likely take the lead.

The Board discussed the upcoming session of the Texas Legislature. As discussed with Representative Hinojosa, legislation to continue the existence of the SHMD will again be required, absent an unforeseen agreement in the near future with the University of Texas.

## 6. Item 4 (Planning for Muny in 2023 – Board Discussion)

Mary Arnold led a discussion on further identifying stakeholders and how to best begin planning for Lions Municipal Golf Course's 100-year anniversary in 2024.

## 7. Item 5 (Items from Board Members, and discussion of next meeting date.)

Next Meeting Date: January 18, 2023

Location: Lions Municipal Golf Course

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2901 Enfield Road Austin, TX 78703

Meeting Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### 8. Item 6 (Adjourn)

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.