



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
JULY 24, 2023 – 6:00 PM
CITY HALL CHAMBERS, ROOM 1001
301 W. 2ND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

Some members of the Parks and Recreation Board may be participating by videoconference. The meeting may be viewed online at: <http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live>. Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. For remote participation, registration must be completed no later than noon the day before the meeting.

To register to speak, click here: <https://forms.office.com/g/D1ajtWAAJa> or call or email Tim Dombek, (512) 974-6716, Tim.Dombek@austintexas.gov. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and may be allowed up to three (3) minutes to provide their comments.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Pedro Villalobos (D-2), Chair	Stephanie Bazan (D-5)	Jennifer Franklin (D-9)
Kathryn Flowers (D-4), Vice Chair	Lisa Hugman (D-6)	Holly Reed (D-10)
VACANT (D-1)	Julie Hayes (D-7)	Lane Becker (Mayor)
Nicole Merritt (D-3)	Kim Taylor (D-8)	

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board regular meeting of June 26, 2023.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Staff briefing on Parks and Recreation Department community engagement events, planning updates, development updates, maintenance updates, program updates and administrative updates.
(SD23 Strategies: Health & Environment, Culture & Lifelong Learning; PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Urban Public Spaces, Park Access for All)
Presenter(s): Kimberly McNeeley, Director, Parks and Recreation Department.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to Austin City Council to authorize the negotiation and execution of a contract extension with Rowing Dock Inc. to provide watercraft rentals on Lady Bird Lake.

4. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to Austin City Council to approve the Land Management Strategies and Climate Vulnerability Analysis for Austin Parks and Recreation Department natural areas.
(SD23 Strategies: Health & Environment; PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life)
Presenter(s): Matt McCaw, Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department
5. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to Austin City Council to eliminate parking on the Zilker Park Polo Field and expand the Zilker Park Shuttle. (Sponsors: Reed, Hugman)
6. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the Parks and Recreation Board 2023 Annual Internal Review and Report.
7. Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of a Zilker Shuttle working group. (Sponsors: Reed, Villalobos)
8. Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of a Barton Springs Bathhouse working group. The purpose of this working group is to create a recommendation for the naming of the Barton Springs Bathhouse and to make recommendations on how to incorporate educational installations which place the racial history of Barton Springs in an appropriate context. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Bazan)
9. Discussion and possible action regarding an appointment to the Parks and Recreation Board Contracts and Concessions Committee (one vacancy).
10. Discussion and possible action regarding appointments to the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Committee (four vacancies).

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

11. Update from South Central Waterfront Advisory Board. (Bazan)
12. Update from Downtown Commission. (Franklin)
13. Update from Joint Sustainability Committee. (Bazan, Becker)
14. Update from Zilker Park Vision Plan Working Group. (Taylor)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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