



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD CONTRACTS
AND CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 17, 2023 – 12:00 PM
BRITTON, DURST, HOWARD AND SPENCE BUILDING
1183 CHESTNUT AVE
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78702**

Some members of the committee may be participating by videoconference.

Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Tim Dombeck, (512) 974-6716, tim.dombeck@austintexas.gov.

CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Lane Becker (Mayor), Chair
Pedro Villalobos (D-2)
Nicole Merritt (D-3)

Kim Taylor (D-8)
Holly Reed (D-10)

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first ten 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 Contracts and Concessions Committee on September 20, 2023.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Staff briefing on the monthly Parks and Recreation Department contract report summarizing new and ongoing contract development that requires City Council approval and/or committee and board recommendations.
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Park Access for All).
Presenter(s): Denisha Cox, Contract Management Supervisor II, Parks and Recreation Department.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to Austin City Council to authorize the negotiation and execution of agreement between the City and Huston-Tillotson University for parkland use at Downs Field located at 2816 East 12th Street (District 1). The Parks and Recreation Department and Huston-Tillotson University have historically partnered to host National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics baseball games and currently have an agreement that is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2023. Downs-Mabson Fields have historic significance to both the City of Austin and the African-American Community. As such, there is a community and shared Department desire to provide public access to this space to celebrate its historic and cultural significance.
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Operational Efficiency, Urban Public Spaces).
Presenter(s): Christa McCarthy, Division Manager, Parks and Recreation.
4. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to the Parks and Recreation Board regarding creation, continuation, termination or status of a concession including issuance of a Request for Proposal for a concession in Town Lake Metropolitan Park for inclusion in the joint report between the Parks and Recreation Board and the Environmental Commission that is provided to the City Council annually.
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Urban Public Spaces, Park Access for All).
Presenter(s): Denisha Cox, Contract Management Supervisor II and Pat Rossett, Business Process Consultant, Parks and Recreation Department.
5. Discussion and possible action to set the 2024 regular meeting schedule of the Parks and Recreation Board Contracts and Concessions Committee as the third Friday every two months beginning in January at 12:00 p.m.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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