



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
OCTOBER 28, 2024 – 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. 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/LAUiZZvLWU> or call or email Tim Dombeck, (512) 974-6716, Tim.Dombeck@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
Kathryn Flowers (D-4), Vice Chair
Shelby Orme (D-1)
Nicole Merritt (D-3)

Stephanie Bazan (D-5)
Cathleen Eady (D-6)
VACANT (D-7)
Kim Taylor (D-8)

Jennifer Franklin (D-9)
Holly Reed (D-10)
Lane Becker (Mayor)

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 September 23, 2024.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

2. Presentation, discussion and approve letters of support for the Park Ranger Program for their work as ambassadors for Austin's park system that promote responsible recreation, cultivate stewardship, and conserve parks' cultural and natural resources for the benefit of our community. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).
(*PARD Long Range Strategies: Park Access for All, Urban Public Spaces*).
Presenter(s): LeAnn Ishcomer, M.Ed, Park Ranger Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department.
3. Presentation, discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to approve the permanent use and temporary use, not to exceed 420 days of parkland located at Salt Springs Neighborhood Park, 6401 E. William Cannon Drive, total mitigation fee is \$297,992. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).
(*PARD Long Range Strategies: Operational Efficiency*).
Presenter(s): Claudia Corsetti, Project Manager, Capital Delivery Services.
4. Presentation, discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to adopt the Equity-Based Preservation Plan as an element of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).

(PARD Long Range Strategies: Urban Public Spaces, Program Alignment).

Presenter(s): Cara Bertron, Program Manager II, Planning Department.

5. Discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to complete an audit of the agreements between the City and external organizations that manage maintenance and access to City-owned baseball and soccer fields. (Sponsors: Bazan, Becker, Villalobos).
6. Discussion and approval of setting the Parks and Recreation Board 2025 regular meeting schedule as the 4th Monday of each month, except May and December; and May 19th at 6:00 p.m. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).
7. Discussion and approval of the creation of a Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Working Group. (Sponsors: Merritt, Villalobos).

STAFF BRIEFINGS

8. Staff briefing on work associated with the Shoal Creek Landslide Area and other Shoal Creek Trail projects. (Sponsors: Reed, Villalobos).
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Urban Public Spaces).
Presenter(s): D'Anne Williams, Project Manager, Parks and Recreation Department; Mike Kelly, MuniPro Professional, Watershed Protection; Cecily Foote, Engineer, Transportation Works.
9. Staff briefing on Parks and Recreation Department community engagement events, planning updates, development updates, maintenance updates, program updates and administrative updates. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Urban Public Spaces, Park Access).
Presenter(s): Angela Means, Parks and Recreation Interim Director.

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

10. Update from the City-Owned Baseball Fields Working Group regarding recent and upcoming working group meetings and upcoming recommendation language. (Sponsors: Becker, Bazan).
11. Update on the Joint Sustainability Committee regarding natural systems working group budget recommendations. (Sponsors: Becker, Orme).

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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