



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MARCH 23, 2026 – 6:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 1001
301 W. 2ND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

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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, click here: <https://forms.office.com/g/0gCGHiTmhY> or call or email Tim Dombeck, (512) 974-6716, Tim.Dombeck@austintexas.gov.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Stephanie Bazan (D-5), Chair

Kathryn Flowers (D-4), Vice Chair

Shelby Orme (D-1)

Pedro Villalobos (D-2)

Nicole Merritt (D-3)

Luai Abou-Emara (D-6)

Diane Kearns-Osterweil (D-7)

Kim Taylor (D-8)

Jennifer Franklin (D-9)

Ted Eubanks (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 February 23, 2026.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

2. Presentation, discussion and approve letters of support for the Austin Parks and Recreation Land Management Team. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
(APR Long Range Strategies: Operational Efficiency, Park Access for All).
Presenter(s): Matt McCaw, Environmental Conservation Program Manager, Austin Parks and Recreation.
3. Presentation, discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to approve 15,368 sq. ft. of permanent Transmission Line use within parkland at Edward Rendon Sr. Metro Park at Festival Beach. Total Mitigation to be paid by Austin Energy is \$2,414,240. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
Presenter(s): David Tomczyszyn, Vice President of Electrical System Engineering and Mac Kammerer, Public Information and Marketing Program Manager, Austin Energy.

4. Presentation, discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to adopt Local Standards of Care for City of Austin youth programs. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
(APR Long Range Strategies: Program Alignment).
Presenter(s): Christa McCarthy, Recreation Services Division Manager, Austin Parks and Recreation.
5. Presentation, discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to authorize negotiation and execution of an inter-local agreement between the City and Austin Independent School District (AISD) for parkland use at the athletic fields located at 400 Grove Boulevard. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
(APR Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Park Access for All).
Presenter(s): Christa McCarthy, Recreation Services Division Manager, Austin Parks and Recreation.
6. Presentation, discussion and approve a recommendation to Austin City Council regarding the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
7. Discussion and approve an amendment to the Parks and Recreation Board by-laws to remove the Contracts and Concessions Committee. (Sponsors: Bazan, Becker)
8. Discussion, and amend the 2026 Parks and Recreation Board annual meeting schedule to move the regular scheduled meeting on May 18, 2026 to May 19, 2026. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
9. Discussion and appoint an alternate for the Parks and Recreation Board seat on the Joint Sustainability Committee. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)

STAFF BRIEFINGS

10. Staff briefing on the 2026 Bond process. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
(APR Long Range Strategies: Urban Public Spaces, Park Access for All).
Presenter(s): Alyssa Tharrett, Project Management Supervisor, Austin Parks and Recreation.
11. Staff briefing on Parks and Recreation Department community engagement events, planning updates, development updates, maintenance updates, program updates and administrative updates. (Sponsors: Bazan, Flowers)
(APR Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Urban Public Spaces, Park Access).
Presenter(s): Jesús Aguirre, Austin Parks and Recreation Director.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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