

MINUTES  
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2008

The Board convened for their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Parks & Recreation Administration building at 717 West Main, Arlington, Texas on October 13, 2008, notice of said meeting being posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, V.T.C.A., Government Code, with the following members and staff present, to wit:

**Members:**

Ms. Lynn Healy	Chair	Place 2
Mr. Mark James - absent	Member	Place 3
Mr. Tony Powell – arrived	Member	Place 1
7:35pm		
Ms. Sue Phillips	Member	Place 5
Mr. Gene Gehring	Member	Place 4
Mr. Patrick Wyatt	Member	Place 8
Mr. Glenn Troutman	Member	Place 6
Ms. Susan Eaves	Member	Place 9
Ms. Lanora Wright	Member	Place 7
Mr. Eric Walker	Youth Member	Place 10

**Staff:**

Pete Jamieson	Director - PARD
Matt Young	Assistant Director - PARD
Bill Gilmore	Assistant Director - PARD
Gary Packan	Assistant Director - PARD
De'Onna Garner	Parks Planning Manager - PARD
Shannon Rudiger	Business Services Manager - PARD
Wendy Parker	Athletics Manager - PARD
Oscar Carmona	Park Maintenance Superintendent - PARD
Jason Landrem	Parks Project Manager - PARD
Kurt Beilharz	Parks Project Manager - PARD

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairwoman Lynn Healy called the Board Meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

**II. SPOTLIGHT**

De'Onna Garner introduced Steve Bowman, Todd Smith, and Mark North from ARK Contracting Services. While ARK Contracting is handling construction for the Johnson Creek project, these individuals re-engineered and built improvements to the canoe launch at River Legacy Park at no cost to the City. The Board and staff thanked them for their contributions and service to the community.

**III. APPROVAL OF PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Chairwoman Healy asked for approval of the September 8, 2008 minutes. Ms. Phillips made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**IV. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS (other than Items for Action)**

N/A

**V. ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**a. Comments from Citizens (about Items for Action)**

N/A

**b. Items for Action**

**i. Park Permits**

Mr. Young provided the Board with the monthly park permit report. Mr. Troutman motioned to approve the park permit requests. Ms. Eaves seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ii. Adoption of B.C. Barnes Master Plan**

Jason Landrem presented the B.C. Barnes Master Plan. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to approve the B.C. Barnes Master Plan as presented. Ms. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**iii. Randol Mill Park Bond Program Change**

Kurt Beilharz made a presentation on the Randol Mill Park Bond Program that recommended a change including the addition of an ADA accessible playground on the east side of the park and a parking lot with 50 spaces. This would be in lieu of replacing the playground and restrooms on the west side of the park. Ms. Wright expressed concerns that the existing restroom on the west side of the park had no doors on the stalls and was substandard. She was also concerned that there were only two stalls in the women's room on the east side of the park. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to approve the program change as presented. Ms. Phillips seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**iv. Treepoint Park Renaming**

Mr. Jamieson advised that a resolution would be going to City Council tomorrow authorizing the transfer of AT&T's naming rights for the land on Front Street to Treepoint Park and that the name "Treepoint" would be included in the park name. AT&T acquired the naming rights to the Front Street property in 1999. However, the land is not useable as a park due to the proximity to the railroad and other factors. Mr. Troutman made a motion that the Park and Recreation Board supports transferring AT&T's naming rights from Front Street to Treepoint Park as proposed, but with the request that the Board have the right to review the proposed name when it is put forth by AT&T and provide a recommendation to City Council, in accordance with the City's Park Naming Policy. Mr. Wyatt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**VI. PARD INFORMATION ITEMS (for discussion)**

**2009 Work Plan**

Bill Gilmore, Gary Packan, Shannon Rudiger, De'Onna Garner and Matt Young presented the Parks and Recreation Department's 2009 Work Plan.

**Caelum Moor Update**

De'Onna Garner made a presentation on the proposed design and placement of the Caelum Moor artwork in Richard Greene Linear Park.

**Youth Initiatives Update**

Mr. Gilmore updated the Board on the "Success in School" summit and invited them to register for the program scheduled for November 1. Mr. Jamieson will reschedule the Our Community Our Kids presentation to the November 10, 2008 Board meeting.

**Meadowbrook Park Cruising**

Oscar Carmona updated the Board on the progress of efforts to manage the cruising in Meadowbrook Park on Sunday evenings. A video of the activity this past weekend was shown to the Board. Lt. Susan Hataway spoke to the Board and stated that while arrests have been made there have been no drugs or violence. Mr. Carmona stated that wheel stops will be placed in the parking lots to prevent vehicles from doing "burn-outs". The Board decided to monitor the activity and revisit the issue prior to spring 2009.

**VII. PARB COMMITTEES**

Planning and Policy  
N/A

Operations and Maintenance  
N/A

**VIII. REQUESTED INFORMATIONAL ITEMS (for distribution)**

Staff distributed several informational reports to the Board. There was no discussion.

**IX. ITEMS FROM PARB MEMBERS**

Ms. Healy asked about the status of the concession contracts. Mr. Young stated that they were still 18% of gross but were revised to require payments monthly.

Ms. Eaves requested volunteers to speak in support of the City's Bond Package at upcoming community meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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Lynn Healy, PARB Chair

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