

## ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MOTION 0716084a-001

Date: July 16, 2008

Subject: Barton Springs Pool Master Plan

Motioned By: Jon Beall Seconded By: Mary Ann Neely

## Recommendation

The Environmental Board offers the attached resolution in response to the collaborative efforts from the Joint-Subcommittee for the Barton Springs Pool Master Plan, consisting of members of the Environmental Board and the Parks Board.

In addition, the Environmental Board recommends that staff clarify refinements of spring flow measurements that are currently being undertaken separately from the Master Plan projects, and offer to incorporate the Scientific Advisory Committee's Recommendations into Short Term and Conceptual long Term Objectives of the Barton Springs Pool Master Plan.

Vote 7-0-0-0

or: Ahart, Anderson, Beall, Dupnik, Maxwell, Moncada and Neely

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Approved By:

Dave Anderson P.E., CFM, Chair

## RESOLUTION NO. EB 0716084a-001

WHEREAS, Barton Springs Pool, is a historical landmark considered by many to be the crown jewel of Austin;

WHEREAS, over 409,000 people annually enjoy this spring-fed swimming pool,

WHEREAS, Barton Springs Pool is in immediate need of improvements to facilities, water quality and salamander habitat conditions, and

WHEREAS, City Council has unanimously supported the improvement of Barton Springs Pool by allocating \$6.2 million in capital improvement funds for short term projects that have received wide support

WHEREAS, City Council authorized securing the services of a professional consultant to work with stakeholders on a plan for Barton Springs Pool (Resolution No. 20061019-035) to address improvements to facilities, the grounds, infrastructure, water quality and salamander habitat conditions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD, that the Environmental Board recommends to City Council the following:

- City Council accepts the Plan as a resource for short-term projects and concepts for
  possible future long-term projects, which would require extensive public input from
  stakeholders, Boards and Commissions and City Council.
- The City Manager should instruct the parks and Recreation Department and the
  Watershed Protection and Development Review Department to work cooperatively to
  complete the short-term projects with stakeholder participation. The resulting data,
  analysis and public input will provide information to evaluate the long-term projects.
- The plan, from this time forward, should be referred to as Barton Springs Pool Master Plan: Concepts for Preservation and Improvement to acknowledge that additional data and analysis is needed.
- The Joint-Subcommittee of the Environmental Board and parks and Recreation Board should continue to in an oversight capacity, hosting representatives of all stakeholder

groups as short term projects are implemented and long-term projects are considered in the future.

 The separate studies clarifying the accuracy of daily spring flow measurements be included

• The Scientific Advisory Committee's Recommendations be considered and included in the short-term and conceptual long-Term Objects

**ADOPTED:** <u>July 16, 2008</u>

ATTEST:

David J. Anderson, PE, CFM

Environmental Board Chair