



MEMORANDUM

To: Victoria Li, Director
Watershed Protection and Development Review Department

From: Sara L. Hensley, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

Date: March 11, 2009

Subject: Permanent and/or Temporary Use of Parkland

Attached is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that outlines the conditions and mitigation plan for **Lakewood Drive at Bull Creek Low Water Crossing Improvements** that meets the Parks and Recreation Department's conditional approval for permanent and/or temporary use of parkland, located at **Bull Creek District Park at Lakewood Drive between Loop 360 and RR 2222**. Mitigation for the use of parkland has been calculated as follows:

Permanent Use: 6,823 sq. ft. at \$54,827.68*

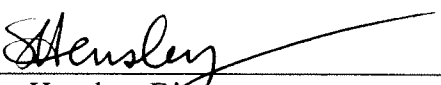
Temporary Use: 2,832 sq. ft. at \$10,240.71*

***Note: PARD has agreed to accept improvements at the park, as outlined in the attached MOU, in lieu of the dollar amount indicated above. If the Parks Department is not completely satisfied with the improvements, PARD has the right to require partial or full payment.**

After the review and recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Board, a Chapter 26 public hearing will be set on April 2, 2009 before the City Council for final approval.

If you have any questions regarding the details of the draft MOU, please contact Ricardo Soliz, at 974-6765.

Thank you.


Sara Hensley, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

CONCURRENCE

Victoria Li, Director
Watershed Protection and
Development Review Department



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

TO: Victoria Li
Director, Watershed Protection and Review Department

M.O.U. # **PARD 09-007**

FROM: Sara Hensley
Director, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: **Bull Creek – Lakewood Drive Low-Water Crossing Improvements**

FDU #; 4860-6307-2501; Subproject I.D.: 5754.026

DATE: 03/03/2009

Watershed Protection and Review Department (WPDRD) is allowed to use the parkland located at **Bull Creek, 6701 Lakewood Drive** as part of the work site for the above referenced project, as indicated in Attachment "B" (Location Map).

The tract is to be used for **Work Area; Staging**

The estimated Project Start Date is **February 9, 2010**

The estimated duration of the project is **270 Days Calendar** Days.

Estimated Date of Final Completion (Restoration complete and accepted by Environmental Inspector and PARD; Parkland open for Public Use) is **October 22, 2010.**

Extension/modification of parkland use must receive prior written approval from PARD. Additional fees will be assessed at the same daily rate as stated in Attachment "A" of this M.O.U.

As discussed at a meeting on January 28, 2009 between PARD and WPDRD, the mitigation for the use of parkland will include the construction of the bridge and pedestrian walkway as well as the restoration of the informal parking area. The main points of our discussion were:

- The informal parking area south of the creek will be closed during construction, and will be used for contractor staging.
- Greenbelt users will be directed to the official parking area north of the creek and work zone (access from Loop 360).

Improvements to the park consist of:

- Approximately 50 LF of concrete sidewalk that is 6 feet wide along the PARD parking lot
- Revisions and improvements to the small parking lot south of the creek (temporary staging area) to reduce the existing area of impervious cover, resulting in a rectangular paved area with "double loaded" spaces of standard parking dimensions (including relocation of bollards and boulders)
- Concrete walkway adjacent to the proposed bridge

WPDRD agrees to transfer funds in the amount of Sixty-Five Thousand Sixty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$65,068.39) if the above listed improvements are not completed and accepted by Parks and Recreation Department.

WPDRD Point of Contact is: **Stan Evans**

Phone Number: **974-3378**

PARD Point of Contact is: **Ricardo Soliz**

Phone Number: **974-6765**

Mitigation value of the above stated Park improvements has been agreed to.

Sara Hensley
Director, Parks and Recreation Department

Date

CONCURRENCE

Victoria Li
Director, Watershed Protection and Review Department

Date

Attachments: A (Mitigation Calculation Worksheet)
 B (Location Map)



Public Hearings and Possible Actions
CITY OF AUSTIN

AGENDA
DATE: 4/2/2009

RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: 040209 CPH Bull Creek Bridge

Subject: Conduct a public hearing and approve a resolution authorizing the permanent use of approximately 6,824 SF (0.157 acre) for right-of-way and approximately 2,832 SF (0.065 acre) for a temporary staging area to allow for the construction of a new bridge over Bull Creek for the Lakewood Drive Low Water Crossing at Bull Creek Project through dedicated parkland known as the Bull Creek Park in accordance with Sec. 26.001 et seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code.

Amount and Source of Funding: All costs associated with construction, as well as any parkland restoration will be paid by requester.

Agenda Category: Public Hearings and Possible Actions

For More Information: Junie Plummer, 974-7085; Stan Evans, 974-3378; April Thedford, 974-7141

Prior Council Action:

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Parks and Recreation Board.

Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code provides the use of parkland for non-park purposes may be approved upon a finding that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of this land.

The Watershed Protection and Development Review Department is proposing to construct a new bridge over Bull Creek in order to upgrade the existing Lakewood Drive vehicle crossing on the bed of the creek. The project will require the permanent use of 6,824 square feet and 2,832 square feet for a temporary staging area on parkland known as Bull Creek Park. This will make it safer to cross the creek for vehicles, bikes and pedestrians and will also eliminate the existing contamination of the creek water from the vehicles that now drive into the water. The bike and pedestrian walkway will be separated from the vehicle lane by a 9-inch high curb.

Approval of the use of parkland is made on the condition that all restoration is completed in accordance with the Standard Specifications and Construction Standards of the City of Austin and the Parks and Recreation Department's "Construction in Parks Specifications". The Watershed Protection and Development Review Department is required to pay all costs associated with the restoration and tree mitigation and will be included as part of the site restoration process.

Location of Lakewood Crossing

Lakewood
Crossing

Bull Creek
District Park

Loop 360

FM 2222

Lakewood Dr

Lakemoore Dr



~ Creeks Network
COA Parks

This map has been produced by the City of Austin as a working staff map. No guarantee is made by the City as to the accuracy or completeness of the data presented on this map.

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