

Meeting Date: 11/20/2014 Department: Parks and Recreation

Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Section 8-5-42 related to fishing in Lady Bird Lake and creating an offense. (Suggested date and time: December 11, 2014, 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street).

Amount and Source of Funding

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Purchasing Language:		
Prior Council Action:		
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Boards and Commission Action:		
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Related Items:		

Additional Backup Information

The Parks and Recreation Department recognizes an inherent safety issue with regard to pedestrian usage of the newly constructed Boardwalk Trail along Lady Bird Lake and the casting of fishing lines. As such, the Parks and Recreation Department desires to reduce risk of injury and prohibit fishing from the Boardwalk Trail at Lady Bird Lake.

Additionally, in an effort to appropriately reference City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department parkland and park amenities, the Parks and Recreation Department recommends revising the ordinance's "Town Lake" reference to "Lady Bird Lake." The proposed amendment also clarifies the pre-existing prohibition on fishing from a portion of the north shore of the lake.