

To:

Parks and Recreation Board

From:

Jesus M. Olivares, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

Date:

December 12, 2000

Subject:

Construction of Jones Boat dock at 90 Pascal Lane.

File No. SP-00-2517DS.

A request has been received from Stephen Jones to construct a boat dock at 90 Pascal Lane.

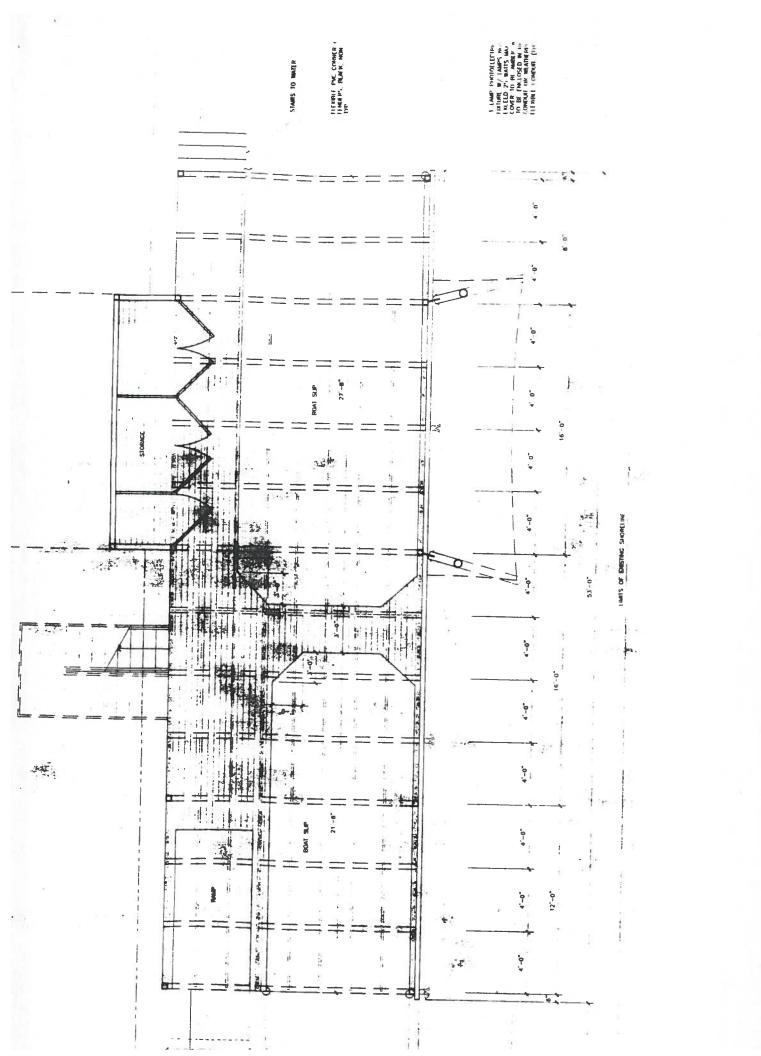
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I recommend approval of the above request as detailed in the attached site plan.

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Construction of Bowerman Boat dock at 12417 Riverbend #13 and #8.

A request has been received from Tom Bowerman and Charles Spangler to construct a boat dock at 12417 Riverbend.

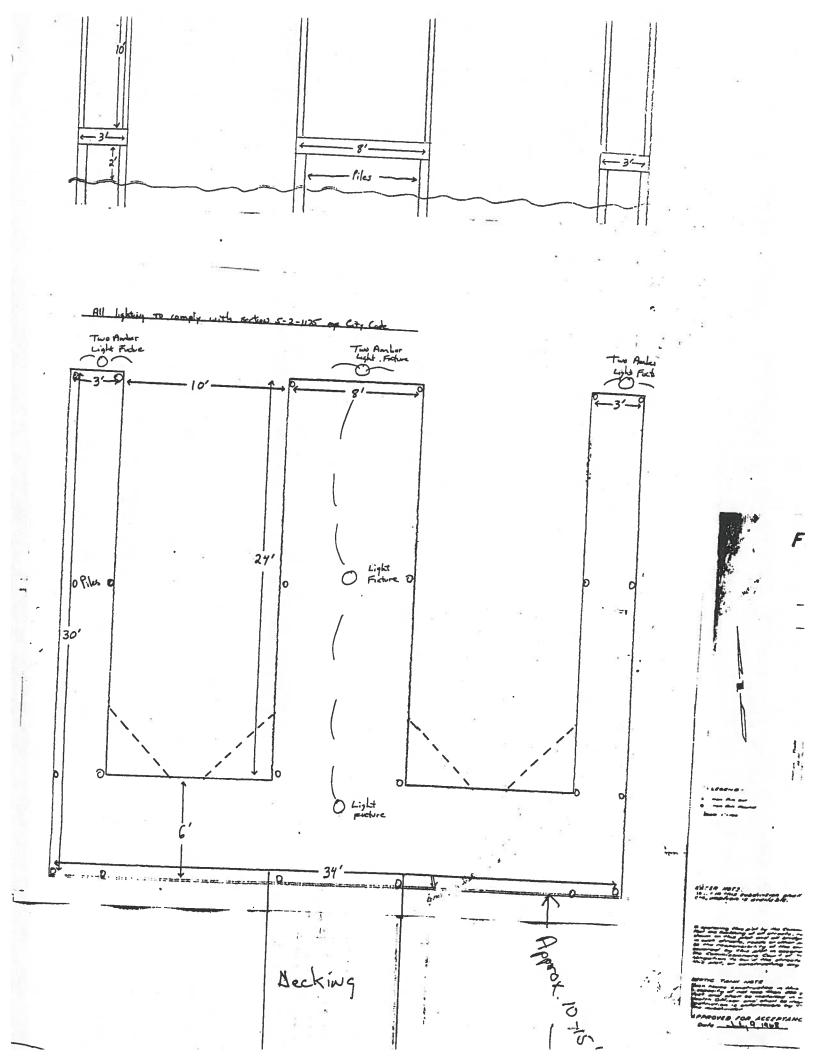
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Construction of Chapman Boat dock at 4400 Island Cove.

A request has been received from Fran and Craig Chapman to construct a boat dock at 4400 Island Cove.

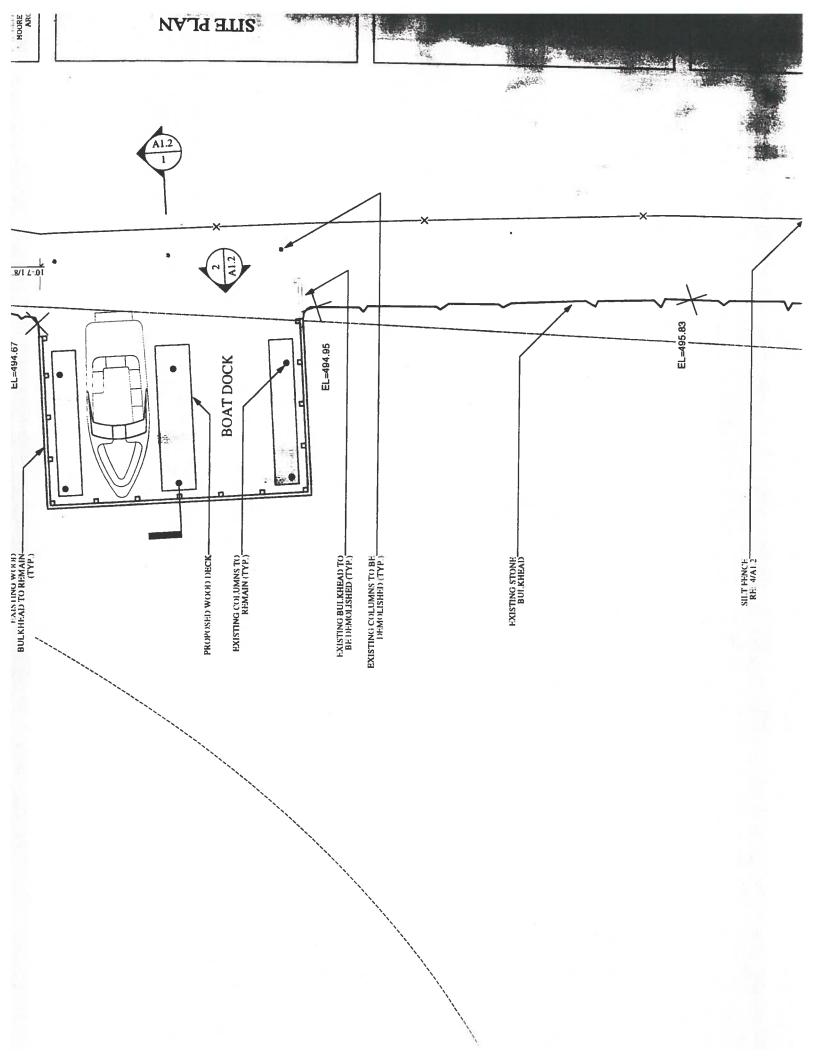
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# Parks and Recreation Board Resolution Concerning Stratus Development Agreement December 12, 2000

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has been working with Stratus Properties to reach an agreement for the development of over 4,000 acres of land located in the Barton Springs Zone of the Edwards Aquifer; and

WHEREAS, Barton Creek and its adjacent greenbelt and wilderness area and Barton Springs Pool are vitally important recreational resources for the citizens of Austin and Barton Springs Pool also provides valuable habitat for the endangered Barton Springs salamander; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Austin have repeatedly demonstrated their interest in protecting the environmental integrity of Barton Creek and the springs that provide the flow for Barton Springs Pool while development within the Barton Creek watershed and Barton Springs Zone of the Edwards Aquifer poses the greatest threat to the integrity of these resources and there has already been significant degradation of water quality in the creek, springs and pool; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Board believes there are many unanswered questions raised by the settlement with Stratus Properties and potential alternatives to the settlement; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Board believes that the current settlement proposal does not provide adequate water quality protection for Barton Creek and Barton Springs Pool and that public access proposals would provide only non-continuous trail fragments in the vicinity of Barton Creek with less than optimal value for trail users; and

WHEREAS Stratus Properties can proceed to begin development of its land under current regulations and in the absence of a development agreement with the City while additional environmental impact studies; coordination with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service concerning requirements for the development related to the Barton Springs salamander; and additional community and public process is conducted, including comprehensive neighborhood planning in the areas surrounding the proposed the development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Parks and Recreation Board recommends that the City Council not adopt the settlement currently proposed and that settlement negotiations between the City and Stratus Properties on this or any settlement agreement with Stratus Properties that has the potential to contribute to degradation of water quality in Barton Creek and Barton Springs Pool be postponed until the completion of the following: (1) environmental impact studies on the impacts of the Stratus development on the water quality in Barton Creek and Barton Springs Pool and the cumulative

impacts on these resources of the Stratus development with other development over the Barton Springs Zone of the Edwards Aguifer; (2) strategies developed as the result of these studies to ensure there will be no further degradation of water quality; (3) coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service completed concerning requirements for the development related to the Barton Springs salamander; (4) additional community and public process conducted, including comprehensive neighborhood planning in the areas affected by the proposed development and (5) designation of appropriate unfragmented trails to provide continuous recreational access along Barton Creek in the vicinity of the development. The Board further recommends that any settlement agreement with Stratus Properties should be based upon complete information about the terms of the settlement agreement and should ensure: (1) full compliance with the City's SOS Ordinance, (2) the implementation and enforcement of measures to ensure that the development will not contribute to pollution of Barton Creek and Barton Springs and (3) the designation of trails to provide continuous recreational access along Barton Creek; and the Board respectully requests that any such settlement be provided for its review and recommendation prior to adoption by Council.



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ICG/MICI Communications License Agreement on Parkland

The ICG/MICI Communications company has requested a license agreement to place an underground telecommunications line on parkland near the intersection of Cesar Chavez and the South First Street bridge. According to State statute, telecommunications are permitted to place lines in rights of way without local approval so attaching the line to the bridge is not an issue. But the State's Chapter 26 approval process is still required for the use of dedicate parkland.

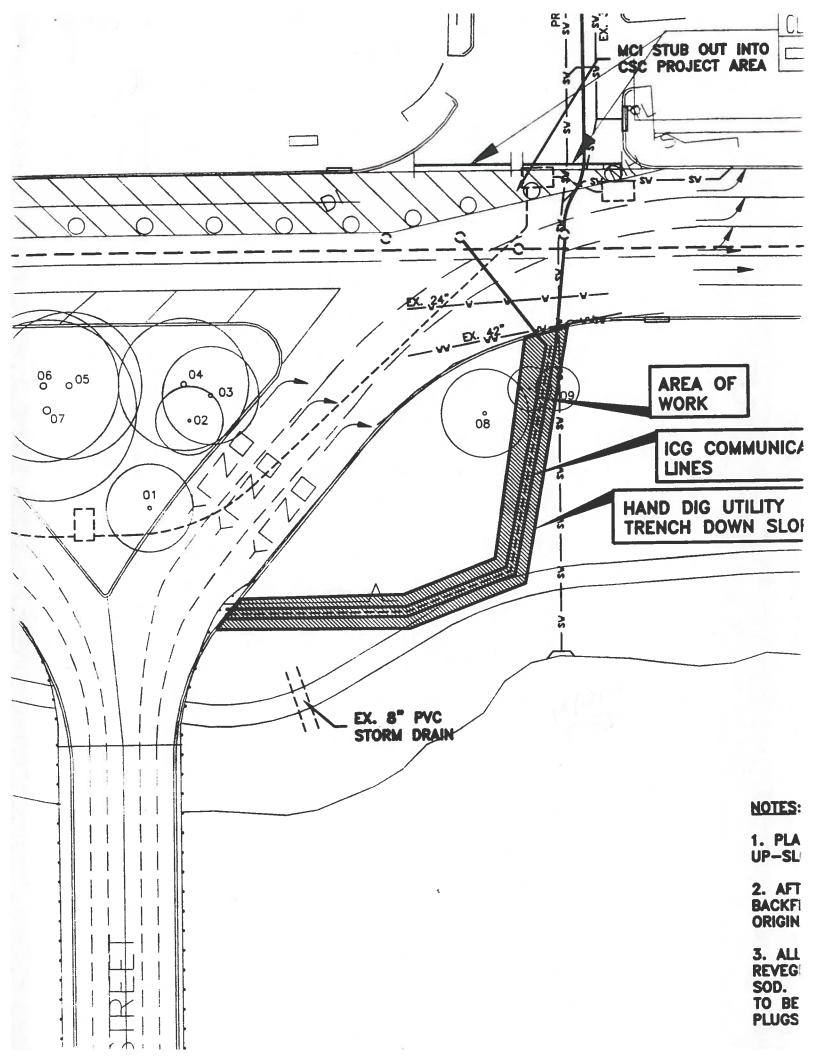
As illustrated on the attached plan, the ICG line is propose to cross parkland from the bridge abutment and proceed up the embankment. The Parks and Recreation Department staff agrees with the conceptual plan but has concerns with the alignment. PARD is aware of two similar lines that were installed without PARD review and has been contacted by other telecommunications firs that want to install lines in the same area. In addition, the City needs to enlarge an existing storm sewer line in the same vicinity. Since there are spacing and depth requirements for each line, prior coordination is needed to account for all the known and future requests.

I recommend conceptual approval of ICG's request on the condition that, prior to referring to City Council, PARD staff should determine a specific alignment in coordination with other projects in the area.

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Resolution to Improve Safety for Park Users, Pedestrians and Bicyclists on Barton Springs Road in Zilker Park

WHEREAS fast, heavy car traffic makes it difficult for people on foot, on bicycles, and in wheelchairs to move along Barton Springs Road, and

WHEREAS slower car traffic and wide crushed granite gravel hike and bike paths on both sides of Barton Springs Road, from Robert E. Lee westward, would make this road easier to travel and to cross safely for people on foot, on bicycles, and in wheelchairs, and

WHEREAS people who are actually using the park are usually on foot, and many park users are children, and

WHEREAS footpaths and slower traffic would improve children's access to Zilker Park and Barton Springs, and

WHEREAS footpaths and slower traffic would make it easier, safer, and pleasanter for people to wait for buses in the park and arrive at the park by bus, and

WHEREAS footpaths and slower traffic would make it easier and safer for people of all ages to visit the park without bringing their cars, and

WHEREAS on weekends Zilker Park already contains more cars than it has room for, and

WHEREAS excessive numbers of cars detract from the beauty, peace, and safety of the park, and

WHEREAS hike and bike paths along Barton Springs Road would allow bicyclists in Zilker Park to avoid the Town Lake hike and bike trail during peak jogging times and after dark, and

WHEREAS hike and bike paths along Barton Springs Road would allow pedestrians and bicyclists to travel to Barton Springs and Zilker Park when the hike and bike trail is closed or flooded, and

WHEREAS the current high-speed traffic design of this portion of Barton Springs Road makes the parkland near the road dangerous and unattractive, and

WHEREAS a pedestrian was recently killed by a car while trying to cross Barton Springs Road in Zilker Park,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Austin Parks and Recreation Board recommends that the Austin City Council direct the Department of Public Works and Transportation to take the following steps:

(1) construct wide hike and bike paths of crushed granite gravel, set back at least six feet from the street, on both sides of Barton Springs Road, from Robert E. Lee westward;

(2) limit motorized vehicle traffic on this segment of Barton Springs Road to one lane in each direction, with pulloff areas at bus stops, using the remaining road space for bicycle lanes and a median;

(3) reduce the speed limit on this segment of Barton Springs Road to 20 miles per hour, and add traffic calming devices as necessary to keep traffic to a safer speed;

(4) identify 4 pedestrian crossing points on this segment of Barton Springs Road, with appropriate markings and curb cuts;

(5) reclassify this segment of Barton Springs Road as a park road, rather than an arterial.

# Parks Board Programs Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 28, 2000

Present: Rocky Medrano, Rosemary Castleberry, Rhonda Taylor, Robert Armistead, Mendy Marshall, Maria Cicciarelli, Bunny Bennett, Angie De La Fuente

Meeting called to order at 12:05 p.m.

Presentation: Maria Cicciarelli, Division Manager, Cultural Affairs presented an overview of all the events associated with the Trail of Lights. She shared dates, times and places of all the events and festivities. A handout was distributed documenting all the events.

Bunny Bennett shared information regarding the collaboration between the Department and the Austin Police Department with the Blue Santa Program. She shared information regarding drop-off sites and dates of distribution of gifts. She also shared information about the Trail of Lights Opening parade and the participation of Blue Santa.

Robert shared a listing of upcoming programs. (attached)

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, at noon.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

### Austin Parks and Recreation Department Programs Division Upcoming Programs 2000

	Гіте	Event	Location
December 2-3		Fall Post Season Tournament	Krieg Softball Complex
December 2	9-10:30a	Breakfast with Santa	Dittmar Recreation Center
December 4		Winter 1-Pitch Begins	Butler Fields
December 7	бр	Holiday Jamboree	Alamo Recreation Center
December 7	6pm-9pm	Rosewood Holiday Wrap	Rosewood Recreation Center
December 7	6:30pm	Youth Holiday Party	Givens Recreation Center
December 8	6-11p	Seniors' Burnet -Trail of Lights	Alamo Recreation Center
December 8-9	dusk-9p	Holiday Candle Trail	Hancock Recreation Center
December 9	11a	Brunch with Santa	South Austin Recreation Center
December 9	1-6p	Shopping Day Out	Northwest Recreation Center
December 9-10	9a –8p	Men's Basketball Tournament	Doris Miller Auditorium
December 11-15	10a-2p	Christmas Bazaar	Conley-Guerrero Senior Activity Center
December 13	6-9p	Zilker Trail of Light's Holiday Tour	Dottie Jordan Recreation Center
December 14	5-7p	Youth Christmas Party	Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center
December 14	6-9p	Rosewood Holiday Wrap	Rosewood Recreation Center
December 14	6-8p	Christmas Social	Conley-Guerrero Senior Activity Center
December 14	6:30p	Community Holiday Party	Dove Springs Recreation Center
December 15	8:30-9:30a	Breakfast with Santa	South Austin Senior Activity Center
December 15	3-6p	Holiday Party	Pickfair Community Center
December 15	6-11p	Parent's Night Out	Dottie Jordan Recreation Center
December 16	9 –11a	Breakfast With Santa	Metz Recreation Center
December 19	4-5p	Christmas Workshop	Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center
December 19	3-5p	Children's Holiday Party	AB Cantu/Pan Am Recreation Center
December 19	4-6p	Children's Holiday Party	Montopolis Recreation Center
December 20	7-9p	Holiday Gala	Dottie Jordan Recreation Center
December 20-29	7a-6p	Holiday Camp	Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center

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December 20-22	7:30a-6p	Holiday Camp	Northwest Recreation Center Austin Recreation Center Dottie Jordan Recreation Center Hancock Recreation Center
December 20	7:30a-6p	C-Day Camp @ Alamo	Alamo Recreation Center
December 20	8a –5p	C-Day At the Park	Rosewood Recreation Center
December 20	1-6p	Christmas Bazaar	Rosewood Recreation Center
December 21	6-9p	Rosewood Holiday Wrap	Rosewood Recreation Center
December 22	10a-2p	Rosewood Brunch with Santa	Rosewood Recreation Center
December 26-29	7a-6p	Holiday Camp	Alamo Recreation Center
December 26-29	7:30a-6p	Holiday Camp	Austin Recreation Center Hancock Recreation Center
December 27-29	7:30a-6p	Holiday Camp	Northwest Recreation Center
December 31	8a-3:00p	New Year's Lock In	Metz Recreation Center
December 18-30	12-6pm	Teen Holiday Camp	Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center
December 26-Jan 1		Kawanza Celebration	Rosewood Recreation Center
January 2	7:30a-6p	Holiday Camp	Hancock Recreation Center Northwest Recreation Center

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