



MEMORANDUM

To:

Parks and Recreation Board

From:

Jesus M. Olivares, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

Date:

September 10, 2002

Subject:

Construction of Boat dock at 3004 Rivercrest

File No. SP-02-0304DS

A request has been received from Bruce Aupperle on the behalf of Edwin and Patricia W. Prewitt to construct a boat dock at 3004 Rivercrest.

The Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) staff has reviewed plans for the proposed project and finds they do not meet the requirements of Article XIII, Section 25-2-1176, Part D(1) (Requirements for the Construction of Boat Docks) of the Land Development Code. The applicant is requesting a variance to cluster the boat dock within 10' of the property line with a neighbor's dock also within 10' of the property line. A letter from the neighbor granting written permission to build within 10' of the property line has been received. The Parks and Recreation Department staff recommend granting a variance to Article XIII, Sections 25-2-1176, Part D(1).

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Jesus M. Olivares, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

Sybil Leler

P.O. Box 160338 Austin, Texas 78716 512-327-3274 3002 Rivercrest Drive Austin, Texas 78746 512-306-1655

August 16, 2002

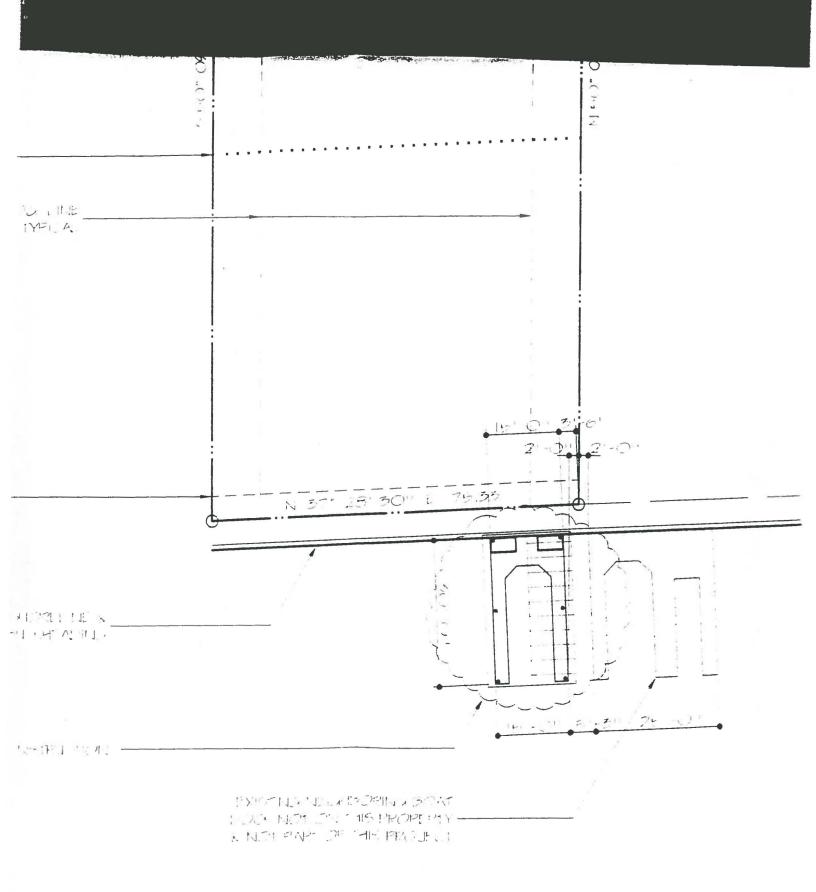
To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Sybil Leler. I am the owner of the property at 3002 Rivercrest Drive.

Please accept this letter as my written permission and request that you grant a permit to my neighbor at 3000 Rivercrest Drive or 3004 Rivercrest Drive to build a boat dock within the ten foot setback distance usually required.

Sincerely,

Sybil Leler



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A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PANEL AND THE AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION REQUESTING AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL TO REVISE THE CITY CODE GOVERNING THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM

TO REMOVE THE \$200,000 CAP ON ART IN PUBLIC PLACES ALLOCATIONS
FOR CITY CONSTRUCTION (CIP) PROJECTS, AND
TO INCREASE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES ALLOCATIONS FOR
CITY CONSTRUCTION (CIP) PROJECTS TO 2%;
TO REQUIRE INFRASTRUCTURE (CIP) PROJECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM;
TO REVISE THE REFERENCES TO THE CITY STAFF POSITION
RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Art in Public Places program was established by City Ordinance in 1985 (No. 850926-0; amended by No. 861009-A; amended by No. 970904-B; Austin City Code Volume 1, Title IX, Chapter 9-2) mandating that One Percent (1%) of city construction budgets for eligible city construction projects be set aside and used to commission public art not to exceed \$200,000 for a single city construction project; and,

WHEREAS, since its establishment, the Art in Public Places program has successfully commissioned and/or purchased over 100 works of fine art worth over \$2 million for city parks and buildings throughout Austin that enhance the urban environment and enrich the lives of citizens and tourists visiting Austin for business or pleasure; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin Art in Public Places program is nationally recognized for its excellence and is looked to as an example by cities desiring to establish public art programs; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin is initiating and supporting numerous cultural endeavors, including, the George Washington Carver Museum & Cultural Center expansion, as well as the construction of the new Mexican-American Cultural Center and the Long Center for the Performing Arts, that will further strengthen the Arts in Austin and now is an excellent time to expand the capabilities of the Art in Public Places Program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin is enjoying unprecedented growth that is propelling it into the ranks of a world class city and yet Austin is the *only* city in the United States with a public art program that has a cap on the percentage of construction budgets allocated for public art; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin Design Commission's *Downtown Austin Design Guidelines* recommends lifting the \$200,000 cap on single construction projects; and,

WHEREAS, with the current 1% allocation, the average Art in Public Places project budget is approximately \$20,000; and,

WHEREAS, since the Art in Public Places Ordinance was passed in 1985, the cost of construction and inflation is continually diminishing the scale of artwork that may be commissioned and that such scale is vital to the impact a public artwork may have in relation to its architectural context; and,

WHEREAS, public artworks are small construction projects within large ones with the same requirements, including professional design work, engineer sealed drawings, liability insurance, durable materials that are easily maintained, equipment and tools, professional construction skills, etc., and, thus, public art budgets must be adequate to cover these costs; and,

WHEREAS, cities such as Portland, San Jose, Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Houston, Dallas and Corpus Christi allocate 1 ½% - 2% of city construction budgets for public art; and,

WHEREAS, a larger percentage would insure adequate funds for public education programs, technical outreach programs for artists, maintenance of the AIPP collection and administrative costs; and,

WHEREAS, there are currently many lost opportunities for enhancing the city's infrastructure, such CIP projects as roadways, sidewalks, bridges, underpasses, and tunnels and the City of Austin Design Commission's *Downtown Austin Design Guidelines* recommends including art public infrastructure projects; and,

WHEREAS, the *Great Streets Master Plan* also advocates the inclusion of art in public infrastructure projects; and,

WHEREAS, the job title for the city staff position responsible for managing the Art in Public Places program is now called, "Art in Public Places Administrator";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Art in Public Places Panel and the Austin Arts Commission request City Council to revise the Art in Public Places Ordinance to:

- a.) Remove the cap of \$200,000 on Art in Public Places allocations for single construction projects;
- b.) Increase the allocation for Art in Public Places from One Percent (1%) to Two Percent (2 %); and,
- c.) Require CIP infrastructure projects to participate in the Art in Public Places Program; and,
- d.) Revise all references to "Art in Public Places Coordinator" to reflect the new position title, "Art in Public Places Administrator".

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

April 9, 2002

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PANEL

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

May 20, 2002

AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION



Austin Parks and Recreation Department Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER 2002

Sept. 2	Harvest Moon Square Dance	837-1215	Pioneer Farm
Sept.4	Girl's Club	974-7865	St. John's Rec Center
Sept. 5-8	Austin Shakespeare Festival's "The Twelfth Night" at 8pm	397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
Sept.6-8	Men's Basketball Tournament	472-7142	Parque Zaragosa
Sept.6	Gateways Music Festival Reception7-9pm	472-4809	George Washington Carver Museum
Sept. 9	A Woman's Work is Never Done	837-1215	Pioneer Farm
Sept.9	Wrestling Tournament	472-7142	Parque Zaragosa
Sept.9-May 23	Cheerleading Team	974-7865	St. John's Rec Center
Sept. 12-15	Austin Shakespeare Festival's "The Twelfth Night" at 8pm	397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
Sept. 13	Dies y Seis Celebration	447-5875	Dove Springs Recreation Center
Sept. 13	Dies y Seis Celebration 12:00-2:00pm	974-6715	Republic Square
Sept.16	Dies y Seis Celebration	472-7142	Parque Zaragosa
Sept. 13-16	Diez y Seis Celebration	480-8318	Fiesta Gardens
Sept. 16	Dairy Day	837-1215	Pioneer Farm

Sept.19	Reception for "Jasper" 6-8pm	472-4809	George Washington Carver Museum
Sept.19	NFL Punt, Pass and Kick Competition 6:30-8:30pm	444-6601	South Austin Rec.Center
Sept. 19	Austin Shakespeare Festival's "The Twelfth Night" at 8pm	397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
Sept. 21	Advisory Board Fall Fling	448-0787	South Austin Senior Activity Center
Sept.21-22	Combined Charities Kick-off Event	445-6003	Krieg Fields
Sept. 23	A Harvest of Art	837-1215	Pioneer Farm
Sept.26	Punt Pass &Kick Competition 6:30-8:30pm	928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
Sept. 28	NFL"S Punt, Pass & Kick Competition	441-4777	Dittmar Recreation Center
Sept.28	Danger Stranger Workshop	472-7142	Parque Zaragosa
Sept.28-29	Austin City Limits Festival	974-6700	Zilker Park
Sept. 30	Pioneer Games	837-1215	Pioneer Farm

Acting Chief of Staff Executive Summary Assistant Chief Michael C. McDonald Week of September 9, 2002

Upcoming Council Items

NO Council on September 5 - 19,2002

Anticipated items for September 26, 2002

SUBJECT: Approve execution of a contract with Shaffer Concrete, 1436 Grand Avenue Pkwy., Pflugerville, TX. for construction of Quail Creek Park Expansion, in the amount of \$50,776.00

<u>SUBJECT</u>: Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$480,000 in donated funds from The Junior League of Austin, Inc.; and amend Ordinance No. 010910-02, the 2001-2002 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department by appropriating \$480,000 in donated funds from The Junior League of Austin, Inc., for construction of the Town Lake Park Children's Garden.

NOTE: The City of Austin has received a letter of intent/commitment to this donation from the Junior League of Austin, however the Budget Office will not sign off on this RCA until the conditions of the donation are outlined in writing. The RCA will move forward at that point.

Key Events

Parks and Recreation

- Grandparents Breakfast, September 5, Conley-Guerrero Senior Activity Center
- Men's Basketball Tournament, September 6-8, Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center
- S.M.A.R.T Parents for Youth Sporting, September 7, 10am-12 noon, Toney Burger Center We are partnering with the Round Rock Parks and Recreation Department, the Austin Police Department, Children's Advocacy Center, Dr. Keith Bell, Sports Psychologist, Austin Independent School District and Texas Amateur Athletic Federation. The training is designed for parents of children participating in youth to promote fun, fair play, safety and respect for others.
- Rock the Boat, September 8, 9am-1pm, Fiesta Gardens boat dock
 Rock the Boat is a canoeing and kayaking experience for people with special needs. The
 day starts with participants being matched to a volunteer. Basic instruction is given and
 the team heads out on to the lagoon at Fiesta Gardens.
- Dies y Seis Celebration, September 12, 10-11:45am, Conley-Guerrero Senior Activity Center
- Dies y Seis Celebration, September 13, 12-2pm, Republic Square
 On Friday, September 13, 2002 from 12noon to 2:00pm, the Austin Parks and
 Recreation Department will bring back the Diez y Seis Celebration to Republic
 Square. Mayor Gustavo Garcia and Mexican Consulate Officials will kickoff
 Austin's celebration of Mexico's Independence Day. Join us September 13 for the
 Diez y Seis Celebration and learn the importanct of Republic Square to the
 Community and the history of Deiz y Seis.
- Dies y Seis Celebration, Septemer 13, 4-5pm, Montopolis Recreation Center
- Taste of Mexico, September 13, 6-8pm, Dove Springs Recreation Center
- Back to School Teen Dance, 7-10pm, St. John's Recreation Center

- "Celebrate Life" Senior Aides Annual Meeting, September 13, 10am, Conley-Guerrero Senior Activity Center
- ≡ K-1st Grade Soccer Clinic, September 14, 9am-12noon, St. John's Recreation Center
- = Punt, Pass & Kick Competition, September 14, 11am-1pm, Montopolis Recreation Center
- Diez y Seis Celebration, September 16, 4:30-6:30pm, Alamo Recreation Center
- ≡ Diez y Seis Celebration, September 16, 5-7pm, Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center
- Austin Open, September 9-10, Roy Kizer Golf Course,
- Combined Charities Golf Tournament, September 14, Roy Kizer Golf Course
- Dougherty Arts Center Theater Beyond Therapy September 12-14, 8pm
- Zilker Hillside Theater Austin Shakespeare Festival presents Twelfth Night September 12-15, 19-22 and October 3-6 at 8pm
- Dougherty Arts Center Gallery -River Gumbo, September 6-28
- ☐ City Hall Exhibit Linda Montignani explores Texas landscape September 6 November 20, Opening Reception October 18, 4-5pm
- Arts Funding Process Consultants Lucille Dabney, Dabney & Associates joined by Marion McCollam & Eduardo Diaz will offer an "Open Space" meeting on Saturday, September 28, time TBA at Waller Creek Center to gather public input. Eduardo Diaz will meet with Cultural Contracts Office staff on Sept. 9, 11:30am & Panel Chairs on Sept. 9, 6pm
- Arts Commission Executive meeting on Wed., Sept. 11, 10am at Dougherty Arts Center, Room 202
- Arts Commission Guidelines Committee Meeting on September 16, 6:30pm, PARD, Main Office, Board Room
- Arts Commission Regular Meeting was changed from September 16 to September 23, 6:30pm. PARD, Main Office, Board Room due to Diez y Seis & You Kippur.
- Pioneer Farm, Sunday Programs, 1-5pm. Admission: \$5.00 Adults, \$4.00 Children, September 15 Dairy Day help out on the Farm by milking the cow and churning butter.
- Renaissance Market Commission meeting on Monday, September 9, 6pm at the PARD Main Office, Boardroom. Each year, the meeting is moved from the 1st Monday to the 2nd Monday in September due to Labor Day
- = Trail of Lights Festival Kick-Off Meeting September 10, 9:30am, PARD, Main Office, Board Room
- = Fundraiser Concert, September 4, 6-8pm, Little Stacey Park
- NALAC Concert, September 7, 8pm, Plaza Saltillo
- Noontime Concerts, September 10, 12 Noon, Wooldridge Square
- = 9-11 Memorial Activities, September 11, 7:30-8:30am, Buford Fire Tower
- United Way Day of Caring, September 13, Volunteer Groups to help clean up parks and various locations throughout the Day
- Boxing Tournament, September 13, Oswaldo/Pan American Center
- Diez y Seis Celebration, September 15, 7-11pm, Plaza Saltillo
- ≡ Diez y Seis Celebration, September 12-15, Fiesta Gardens West End

Hot Items & Management Issues:

Parks and Recreation

Tennis Pro RFP due September 12 to Purchasing

Media Contacts

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