

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES****BUDGET WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2017**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Budget Work Session Meeting on Wednesday, March 22, 2017, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Council Members Casar, Garza and Troxclair were absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Parks and Recreation Department budget and department overview.
Presentation was made by Sara Hensley, Interim Assistant City Manager, Kimberly McNeeley, Acting Director, Angela Means, Financial Manager, Ricardo Soliz, Division Manager, Kevin Gomillion, Manager, Parks and Recreation Department.

Direction was given to staff to provide; a response to the question on if the programming dollars removed from the Carver Library in 2008-2009 have been placed back into the budget; speaker notes used during the presentation; the status of the equity opportunity analysis and the equity mapping tool being developed by the Equity Office; a profit/loss statement for the golf courses; background on how the parking revenue collected at/or near City parks and cultural facilities are distributed; an update on the status of the 2012 Bond funds for Parks; an update on the results of the changes adopted in the parkland dedication ordinance; a list of fees charged by the Cemeteries; an update on the park lighting needs assessment; opportunities for private-public partnerships; the revenue amount received from the option to donate to the parks provided on the Austin Energy bill.

2. Austin Library Department budget and department overview.
Presentation was made by Sara Hensley, Interim Assistant City Manager, Toni Lambert, Acting Director, Dana McBee, Assistant Director, Austin Public Library.

Direction was given to staff to provide: possible opportunities for private-public partnerships and revenue sharing; an update on when the new library will be completed and open; the amount of lease for space for the Recycle Reads Program; the speaker notes used during the presentation; a post review of the changes in the scope of work for the project and the associated cost overruns of the new downtown library; the revenue amount received from the option to donate to the libraries provided on the Austin Energy bill; an analysis of

the impact and role of the Library Foundation; and information on City plans to address security and other issues surrounding providing services to the homeless.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 6th day of April 2017 on Council Member Alter's motion, Council Member Kitchen's second on an 11-0 vote.