



Annual Internal Review

This report covers the time period of 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018

Parks and Recreation Board

The Board/Commission mission statement (per the City Code) **is:**

(A)

The *Parks and Recreation Board* membership should include citizens of the city who are interested in public *parks* and public *recreation* and persons who are knowledgeable in navigation matters. The director of the *Parks and Recreation* Department, the city manager or designee, the director of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, and the city attorney are ex officio members of the *board*.

(B)

The *board* shall advise the city council and the city manager regarding:

(1)

the acquisition, development, improvement, equipment, and maintenance of city *parks* and public playgrounds;

(2)

the future development of the city *parks*, playgrounds, and *recreational* facilities, and the purchase of additional land for those purposes; and

(3)

improvements in the maintenance, operation, and general welfare of the city's *parks*, playgrounds, and *recreational* facilities and their use by the public.

(C)

The *board* shall outline a general plan of development for new *parks* and playgrounds, including landscaping, roads, trails, buildings, and equipment. The *board* shall submit the plan to the Planning Commission and the city manager for detail development, and the city manager shall then submit the plan to the city council for approval.

(D)

The *board* shall promote close cooperation between the City and all private citizens, institutions, and agencies interested in or conducting *recreational* activities, so that

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all *recreational* resources within the City may be coordinated to secure the greatest public welfare.

(E)

The *board* shall perform other duties as prescribed by the City Code or as directed by the city council.

1. **Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.**

The City of Austin Parks and Recreation Board has three areas of responsibility in its advisory function to the City Council. The activities this board took for fiscal year 2017-2018 are listed by area below.

A. Take action to recommend to City Council and/or Director enhancements, additions, and deletions to Parks and Recreation Department programs and planning.

July 25, 2017

1. Named Board Member Fred Morgan to serve on the Balcones Canyonlands Preserve Citizens Committee to represent this body.
2. Made no recommendation concerning the substance of the Aquatics Master Plan and recommended to the City Council creating an Aquatics Master Plan working group to gather further input concerning the Plan itself.

August 22, 2017

1. Named Board Members Cofer and Lewis, Vice Chair DePalma, and Chair Rivera to serve on the Aquatics Master Plan Task Force and discuss the Master Plan review process.

September 26, 2017

1. On consent, made a recommendation to City Council to recommend authorization of negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the Literacy First Program (formerly ACE: A Community for Education) to be offered at Allison, Brooke, Govalle, Metz, Ortega and Zavala Elementary Schools.

December 5, 2017

1. The Aquatics Master Plan Task Force made a presentation to the full Parks and Recreation Board on their findings and recommendations regarding the Draft

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Aquatics Master Plan. The Board then made a recommendations to the City Council supporting the recommendations of the Aquatics Master Plan Task Force.

January 23, 2018

1. Made a recommendation to City Council to authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC, to provide a Parks and Recreation Long Range Plan, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.
2. Made a recommendation to City Council for approval of the 2018 Local Standards of Care Ordinance to be discussed via public hearing and adopted by City Council as a part of the State of Texas' child care licensing exemption.
3. Took no action on the Austin Police Department's proposed use of the Nash Hernandez Joint-Use Facility.
4. Approved the Annual Report of the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee of the Parks and Recreation Board.
5. Approved the Annual Report of the Concessions and Contracts Committee of the Parks and Recreation Board.
6. Assigned Board Member Frank Ward to be a member of the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee of the Parks and Recreation Board.

February 27, 2018

1. Made a recommendation to City Council for approval of the amendment to Title 8-1 of the City Code regarding alcohol possession in City parks.
2. Appointed Board Member Rick Cover to serve as the Parks and Recreation Board Representative to the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board.
3. Made a recommendation to the City Council to remove the Roy G. Guerrero Park from consideration for use as a site for a Major League Soccer Stadium and to consider adding funding sources including bonds to repair and maintain Roy G. Guerrero Park.
4. Took no action on the recommendations from the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee and Contracts and Concession Committee regarding the Nash Hernandez Joint Use Facility.

March 27, 2018

1. Appointed Board Member Francoise Luca to serve as the Parks and Recreation Board representative to the Artists Access Program, Artists Access Program Community Engagement Process, and upcoming Artists Access Panel formed by staff.

April 24, 2018

1. Made a recommendation to City Council for the approval of the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Master Plan adding the idea of leveraging of public private partnerships potential to accomplish the public benefits of the site and considering a private foundation to run the facility to the Financing Strategies section of the Master Plan.
2. Elected the Parks and Recreation Board Officers: Jane Rivera as Chair and Rick

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- Cofer as Vice Chair.
3. Elected Board Member Dawn Lewis as the Chair of the Contracts and Concession Committee and as members, Board Members Casias, DePalma, Luca, and Farasat.
 4. Elected Board Member Frank Ward as the Chair of the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee and as members Board Members Cofer, Mann, Morgan, and Donovan.
 5. Appointed Board Member Randy Mann to serve as an alternate on the Joint Sustainability Committee.
 6. Appointed Board Members Donovan, Farasat, Mann, and Lewis to serve on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board.
 7. Made a recommendation regarding expansion of recycling and waste diversion to all Austin Parks and Recreation Facilities
 8. Decided to continue discussion on recommended funding levels for aquatics in the proposed 2018 City of Austin Bond Election at the May 2018 Board Meeting.

May 22, 2018

1. Heard a presentation and discussion, and took no action regarding the Stratford Drive Redevelopment Project.
2. Made a recommendation regarding FY2019 Budget and Board recommendation regarding funding priorities adding a request for \$50,000 for ADA operational costs and an additional \$200,000 for the Barton Springs Pool Upper Dam Feasibility Study.
3. Made a recommendation regarding funding levels for aquatics in the proposed 2018 City of Austin Bond Election raising aquatics to \$68 million and adding \$8 million to the request for a new pool construction in Southwest Austin.

June 26, 2018

1. Appointed members for the Parks Recycling Task Force as outlined in the council Resolution No. 20180614-072 and approved Parks and Recreation Vice Chair Cofer, and Board Member Mann to serve with Brandi Clark Burton, John Rooney, and Andrew Dobbs on the Recycling Task Force.

B. Recommend to the City Council and/or Director approval of concessions on City parkland designed to serve citizens using the parks:

December 5, 2017

1. Made a recommendation to City Council regarding creation, continuation, termination or status of a concession including issuance of a Request for Proposal for a concession in Town Lake Metropolitan Park in a joint report with the Environmental Commission.

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April 24, 2018

1. Made a recommendation to City Council for approval of the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District to provide its students educational experience through the programs offered at McBeth Recreation Center.
2. Made a recommendation to City Council for approval of the Parkland Improvement Agreement between YMCA of Austin and the City of Austin.

June 26, 2018

1. Heard discussion and took no action on the Waller Creek Boat House Concession.

C. Recommend granting temporary and/or permanent easements making repairs or enhancements to City utilities or improving City property adjacent to city parkland through Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funding.

October 24, 2017

1. On consent, made a recommendation to the Parks and Recreation Department Director Board for approval of a Temporary Use Work Area (26,986 sq. ft.), and Temporary Use Access Area (40,940 sq. ft.), not to exceed 300 Calendar Days on parkland located at 2317 Columbus Dr. (Zilker Metro Park).
2. Made recommendation to the City Council for approval of a Permanent Use (77,825 sq. ft.), Permanent Use (9,232 sq. ft.), and Temporary Use (17,529 sq. ft.), not to exceed 90 Calendar Days on parkland located at 2101 Jesse E. Segovia St. (Edward Rendon Sr. Metro Park at Festival Beach)

January 23, 2018

1. Made a recommendation to the Director for approval of a Temporary Work Area (19,000 sq. ft.) and Temporary Staging and Access Area (27,300 sq. ft.), not to exceed 182 calendar days located at Givens District Park. The total mitigation value is \$27,970.
2. Made a recommendation to City Council for approval of a Permanent Use (49,000 sq. ft.) and Temporary Staging Area (22,024 sq. ft.), not to exceed 270 calendar days located at Bauerle Ranch at Slaughter Creek Greenbelt. The total mitigation value is \$81,143.

February 28, 2018

1. Made a recommendation to the City Council for approval of Permanent Use (514 sq. ft.), of parkland not to exceed 450 calendar days on parkland located at 5100 E 51st St. (Little Walnut Creek Greenbelt). Total Mitigation value is \$2,821.
2. Made a recommendation to the City Council for approval of Permanent Use (273 sq. ft.), of parkland located at 1500 Alameda Dr. (Little Stacy Neighborhood Park) to be dedicated as right-of-way.

2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

(If any of the board's actions were outside the scope of the mission statement, the report should explain the non-compliance issues.)

N/A

3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

(Make sure the goals and objectives fall within the mission statement of the board/commission.)

The following are the proposed objectives of the Parks and Recreation Board for the following fiscal year:

- A. Take action to recommend to City Council and/or Director enhancements, additions, and deletions to Parks and Recreation Department programs and planning;
- B. Recommend to the City Council and/or Director approval of concessions on City parkland designed to serve citizens using the parks; and
- C. Recommend granting temporary and/or permanent easements making repairs or enhancements to City utilities or improving City property adjacent to city parkland through Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funding.