Minutes Tour Meeting - May 14, 1990 Zilker Park Playscape

The regular tour meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at noon with Mrs. Beverly Griffith, Chairman, presiding. The following Board Members were present: Beverly Griffith, Chair; Louise Nivison, Vice Chair; Lawrence Britton, Secretary; Agnes Edwards; Charles Heimsath; Terry Colgan; and Ron Cartlidge. Staff present: Manuel Mollinedo, Director; Stuart Strong, Program Manager for Planning & Design; Carolyn Kelley, Landscape Architect; Peter Marsh, Staff Engineer; Jody Hamilton, Program Manager for PARD District; Joe Lopez, Safety Technician; and Donna Bohls, Executive Secretary.

The Board Members toured the proposed site of an Organic Demonstration Garden next to the Majestic Diner on Barton Springs Road. Staff members gave a brief presentation on the proposal being brought forward. A decision on this proposal would be made at a later date. Board Members toured the Butterfly Garden located at the Austin Area Garden Center, 2220 Barton Springs Road. A short tour of the Zilker Hillside Theatre allowed the Board to see the condition of the facility. Board Members then arrived at the Playscape, site of lunch and the business meeting.

Zilker Park Playscape Project

Carolyn Kelley, Landscape Architect, made a presentation on the proposed renovation of the Zilker Park Playscape. She explained the different sections of the proposed design and showed artists' drawings of a few of the sections. The renovated playscape would include areas appropriate for both handicapped and non-handicapped children.

Ron Anderson, Professor at the University of Texas at Austin, addressed the Board and shared the details of a recent project in his undergraduate class. This class prepared a complete public relations campaign on the Zilker Playscape complete with ads and slogans. This work will be made available to the Playscape committee for its fundraising campaign.

Mrs. Alice Scarborough, Chair, Zilker Playscape Fundraising Committee addressed the Board. Mrs. Scarborough is looking forward to making progress on this project. She asked the Board for their support.

Director's Report

Manuel Mollinedo addressed the Board and updated them on the man who jumped into Town Lake from the Congress Avenue bridge. He indicated that the next meeting would have a very full agenda.

Items for Action

Construction of single-slip boat dock 2201 Island Wood Road for Shep Strong

Louise Nivison reported that the Navigation Committee had reviewed this

request and recommended approval according to the plans submitted. This item was approved by the Board with no dissent.

Construction of two-slip boat dock 4103 Shimmering Cove for Eric Skrudland

Louise Nivison reported that the Navigation Committee had reviewed this request and recommended approval according to the plans submitted. This item was approved by the Board with no dissent.

Repair of 250 feet of treated timber bulkhead at 4004 Harborlight Cove for Don Reynolds

This item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the contractor for revision.

Repair of 220 feet of treated timber bulkhead at 4005 Harborlight Cove for William Formby

This item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the contractor for revision.

Items for Discussion

A copy of the AMEGO consolidation report was distributed to all Board Members present for discussion at the May 22 meeting.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 p.m. and the Board Members returned to the Main Office via bus.

APPROVED:

Beverly Griffith, Chair Parks and Recreation Board Date