

Minutes
Parks and Recreation Board
September 22, 1992

The Parks and Recreation Board held their regularly scheduled meeting on September 22, 1992 at 6:30 p.m. in the board room at 200 South Lamar. Board Members present: Beverly Griffith, Louise Nivison, Ron Cartlidge, Sterling Lands, Albert Black, Eleanor McKinney, James Crump, Erma Linda Cruz-Torres and Elisa May. Staff present: Michael J. Heitz, Jesus M. Olivares, Robert Sopronyi, Jody Hamilton, Peter Marsh, Page Graves & Colleen Waring from Internal Audit, and Donna Bohls.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. with Beverly Griffith, Chair, presiding.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Robert L. Thomas addressed the Board about his concerns for programming at Rosewood Recreation Center and the general east Austin area. He also requested a job with the department.

ITEMS FOR CONSENT

Approve Construction of a Covered Two-Slip Boat Dock at 3904 Watersedge Drive

Ron Cartlidge, Chair of the Navigation Committee, reported the Navigation Committee's recommendation for approval of a request from Rusty Signor, on behalf of Anne Greenway, to construct a covered two-slip boat dock at 3904 Watersedge Drive, in accordance with the approved Site Plan #SP-92-0341DS. The committee stipulated that the approval was under the condition that development at the shoreline above grade be no more than 30 feet. Being a committee recommendation it required no second and passed 8-0.

ITEMS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION

Election of Officers

Chair - Reverend Sterling Lands
Vice-Chair - Elisa May
Secretary/Parliamentarian - Ron Cartlidge

Recommendation to Council Regarding the Hike and Bike Trail Plans

James Crump moved and Ron Cartlidge seconded a motion to recommend to Council that the Parks and Recreation Department proceed with the schematic design presented for the Zilker Loop portion of the Hike and Bike trail including a bridge and bank stabilization. The motion passed 8-0.

Recommendation to Council Regarding Traffic Controls on Barton Springs Road and Stratford Drive

Mike Heitz reported to the Board that the Public Works and Transportation

Department (PWTD) had reviewed the suggestion for a reduced speed zone (park zone) along Barton Springs Road in Zilker Park. Mr. Heitz has instructed Park Department staff to work with PWTD staff in trying to find ways to reduce the \$22,000 cost estimate for the installation of the zone.

James Crump moved and Eliza May seconded a motion to recommend to Council that a reduced speed zone (park zone) be established along Barton Springs Road inside Zilker Park. The motion passed 8-0.

The Public Works and Transportation Department recommendations on one-way circulation of traffic on Stratford Drive and modification of the Stratford Drive/Barton Springs Road intersection were tabled to the Land and Facilities Committee for further study.

Approve Request for Sale of Beer at City of Austin Softball Complexes

Albert Black reported that the Programs Committee reviewed this proposal and requested that the PARD staff do further research on the current alcohol use situation at the softball complexes and return to the Board with additional information on this proposal. Eliza May suggested that a public hearing would be appropriate. Albert Black moved on behalf of the Programs Committee that the request be tabled back to committee. The motion required no second and passed 8-0.

Approve Project Review Proposal

Eleanor McKinney presented the Land and Facilities Committee report on the "Project Review Process" and recommended that the proposal be implemented with one modification. The phrase "Parks Board authorization to proceed" be changed to "Parks Board recommendation to proceed." The motion needed no second and passed 8-0.

Make Recommendation Regarding Fences Which Extend Into Lake Austin

Ron Cartlidge, Chair of the Navigation Committee, presented the committee recommendation to request that Parks and Recreation Department staff to draft a modification to the Land Development Code that will directly address the issue of fences which extend into Lake Austin. The Navigation Committee recommends no fences be allowed to extend into the lake due to navigation and life safety concerns caused by the fences. All fences must stop at shoreline. Property owners will be responsible for removing existing fences within a reasonable timeframe after the adoption of the change to the Land Development Code. The motion required no second and passed 8-0.

Approval of Minutes of Retreat Meeting of 8/19/92 and Special Called Meeting of 9/1/92

Ron Cartlidge moved and Albert Black seconded a motion to approve the minutes of both meetings.

Items from Board Members

Eliza May requested the Chair to send a letter of appreciation to the City Manager, Mayor and Council Members for their support of the Parks and Recreation Department during the budget process.

Erma Linda Cruz-Torres recognized Beverly Griffith for her long hours of hard work and dedication as Parks Board Chair.

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned at 8:12 p.m.