

PARKS BOARD RESOLUTION

-- Adopted April 22, 1997 by a vote of 6-0 (Cruz-Torres, Dwight, Naumann, Castleberry, Isaacs, Friday)

WHEREAS the City of Austin owns a small tract of public land on the banks of Lake Austin on Scenic Drive; and

WHEREAS this tract provides one of the few public spaces on Lake Austin north of the Walsh Boat Landing; and

WHEREAS this tract provides an excellent view of Lake Austin; and

WHEREAS The Parks and Recreation Board and City Council previously recommended, at the time subdivision construction was approved, that the tract remain open for public access, and that the view remain unimpeded; and

WHEREAS the Water and Wastewater Department maintains a lift station on the public land; and

WHEREAS the owner of the adjacent residence at 2542 Scenic Drive now proposes to build a fence around said tract; and

WHEREAS this property is not and will not be dedicated as parkland, it nevertheless satisfies the statutory description of parkland as "a parcel of land developed, designated and used for public recreation and/or passive recreational use," thus allowing the application of a curfew as on parkland;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, the Parks and Recreation Board recommends to the City Council as follows:

- (1) The aforesaid tract of land should remain unfenced and open to the public; and
- (2) Any fencing constructed perpendicular and adjacent to the shoreline, on the property line between 2542 Scenic Drive and the public open space, should be of transparent material (e.g., decorative steel); and
- (3) In order to make public use of this property more compatible with nearby homes, and to address concerns of the neighborhood:
 - (a) The Parks and Recreation Department and the Water and Wastewater Utility commit to maintain the lift station tract as public open space;
 - (b) A curfew from 10: p.m. to 5:00 a.m. will be enacted.

PORTION OF PARKS BOARD RESOLUTION - April 27, 1982
Resolution re proposal to vacate a portion of Scenic Drive ROW

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department Lake Austin Corridor Recreational Study published in August 1981, concludes that there is not sufficient public access or public waterfront recreation opportunity on Lake Austin to meet present or future needs, and

WHEREAS, the West Austin Neighborhood Group chose the lift station site at Taylor's Slough as its Bicentennial project, seeking to improve its amenities for public use because of its proximity to Lake Austin, and the scenic vista afforded by the site, as well as its appropriateness as a linkage to Lake Austin from Reed Park along a dedicated public walkway beside Taylor Slough, through the Bello Vista Subdivision, and....