

Pease District Park Parkland Improvement Agreement

Parks and Recreation Board
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Description of Project:

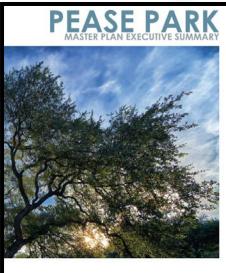
Enter into a Parkland Improvement Agreement to partner with Pease Park Conservancy to design and construct Phase 1 of the Council approved Master Plan for Kingsbury Commons.

- Pease District Park Master Plan was adopted by City Council on October 16, 2014
- Plan's implementation for park estimated at \$20 Million

Pease District Park Master Plan Implementation – Phase 1 Kingsbury Commons

- Pease Park Conservancy (PPC) was founded in 2008 and is dedicated to the rehabilitation, beautification and preservation of Austin's central city park for the enjoyment of Austin and future generations. PPC funded the Master Plan for Pease District Park and worked in partnership with PARD on the master plan process
- In November 2017, PPC announced they were granted a \$9.7 Million grant from The Moody Foundation











Project Benefits



- Leverages over 10 million private dollars to implement the Council approved Master Plan
- New and enhanced features throughout the park
- Rehabilitation and activation of Pease Park Tudor Cottage
- Pulling key features further out of floodplain
- Enhanced connectivity throughout Kingsbury Commons
- Nature play elements designed with assistance from the world-renowned Natural Learning Initiative
- Improved wayfinding and interpretational signage



Pease Park Conservancy

- Blueprint for the future: amenities to improve visitor experience
- Framework for development of park over 20-30 years
- Goal financial and ecological sustainability
- Intent of the PPC to enter into an additional Park Improvement Agreement with PARD to cover maintenance, operations and programming within the next year







Pease Park Conservancy – Park Improvements



- Construction scheduled to begin in 2019. Anticipated project completion in 2021
- Focus: southernmost 13 acres
- Improvements:
 - Enhanced Historic Gateway
 - Renovated Tudor Cottage
 - Multi-Use Facility: New Restrooms and Volunteer Hub





Pease Park Conservancy – Park Improvements

- Playscape
- Splash Pad
- Treehouse
- Basketball Court and Baseball Diamond
- Volleyball and Basketball Courts









Implementation Plan & Next Steps



- Partnership Agreement with Pease Park Conservancy for Design and Construction of Kingsbury Commons
- Design
- Permitting
- Bidding/Contracts
- Construction

Action:

Make a recommendation to the Director to authorize execution of a Parkland Improvement Agreement between PARD and the Pease Park Conservancy for the design and construction of Kingsbury Commons at Pease District Park.