



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

THRU: Christopher Shorter, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Kimberly McNeeley, CPRP, Director
Austin Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: March 17, 2020

SUBJECT: Ordinance 20191205-070 – Expedition School Boating Concession on Lady Bird Lake

Following the December 5, 2019 passage of Ordinance 20191205-070, the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) immediately met with Kimery Duda, Founder and Executive Director of The Expedition School, to commence contract negotiations for a boating concession. Staff has regularly met with The Expedition School representatives since December. PARD and The Expedition School have discussed multiple location options and possible concession operational structures. Contract negotiations will continue into the summer months as location feasibility, site permitting requirements and development plans are finalized. A new deadline of August 1, 2020 gives PARD staff and The Expedition School the needed time to complete site specific work and contract negotiations.

Should you have any questions, please contact my office at (512) 974-6717.

cc: Spencer Cronk, City Manager