

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Kimberly A. McNeeley, M.Ed., CPRP, Director, Austin Parks and Recreation Department

Michael Gates, Real Estate Services Officer, Financial Services Department

THROUGH: Stephanie Hayden Howard, Assistant City Manger

Ed Van Eenoo, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: November 30, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposition B November 2021 Election

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update regarding the progress made toward completing the voter authorized Proposition B actions to sell, lease, or exchange nine acres of park property, known as the Central Maintenance Complex, located at 2525 S. Lakeshore Blvd., in exchange for:

- At least 48 acres of waterfront land, and
- The cost of a new maintenance facility on the other City-owned land to be determined, and
- Partial or full funding for the removal of Fiesta Garden's existing maintenance facility (located at 2202 Jesse E. Segovia) and restoration of that land to parkland.

Proposition B was considered during a November 2, 2021, City of Austin Special Election and voters approved 73% to 27% to convey, lease or sell parkland through a public bidding process. The public solicitation was issued on November 15, 2021, and closed December 9, 2021. The Parks and Recreation Department, in collaboration with the Financial Services Department, evaluated the responsive proposal and continue to work toward the best and final offer with the proposer.

The City intends to honor the voter supported referendum in partnership with the responsive proposer and present to City Council a recommendation for approval of the proposal in the first quarter of the calendar year 2023. If City Council approves the proposal, the Parks and Recreation Department and Financial Services Department will work expeditiously to facilitate the administrative transactions associated with closure of this process.

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

cc: Spencer Cronk, City Manager
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