



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Sara L. Hensley, CPRP, Director
Austin Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: November 29, 2016

SUBJECT: Council Resolution No. 20150305-025: Parkland Events Task Force Final Report

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide Council with the final report of the Parkland Events Task Force.

On March 5, 2015, the Austin City Council adopted *Resolution No. 20150305-025* which effectively created the 17 member task force, and its scope of work. As stipulated in the resolution, the purpose of the task force was to “*develop recommendations to ensure that all City parks, but most particularly Auditorium Shores, Zilker Park, and Festival Beach, remain first and foremost assets for the citizens of Austin to enjoy and that the parks are preserved and enhanced for future generations of Austinites and visitors to experience and enjoy.*”

The task force conducted thirty (30) meetings between August 2015 and September 2016, with over 65 hours of open meetings at five (5) various locations. The task force members contributed over 1,125 hours of time at these meetings developing the final recommendations.

Annotated final recommendations are attached with suggested minimum implementation requirements for consideration. The final report is attached for your review and consideration, and the report has also been posted on the task force resource site: www.austintexas.gov/ptf. The co-chairs, David King and James Russell, will present the report at the December 14, 2016 Open Space, Environment and Sustainability Council Subcommittee.

We are proud of the work of the task force members, grateful for the leadership of the co-chairs, and thankful to all the City departments who contributed to this effort.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jason Maurer, Sales and Events Manager, at 512-974-2427 or via email: Jason.Maurer@austintexas.gov.

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Attachment