



REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

JULY 22, 2024 – 6:00 PM

CITY HALL CHAMBERS, ROOM 1001

301 W. 2ND STREET

AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

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Holly Reed (D-10)

Lane Becker (Mayor)

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board regular meeting of June 17, 2024.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

2. Presentation, discussion and approve letters of support for community members and active participation in community engagement for the playscape replacement at Metz Neighborhood Park. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Operational Efficiency, Park Access for All).
Presenter(s): Reynaldo Hernandez, Project Manager and Jonathan Haynes, Program Supervisor, Parks and Recreation Department.
3. Approve the Parks and Recreation board Annual Internal Review and Report. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).

STAFF BRIEFINGS

4. Staff briefing on Parks and Recreation Department Community PARKnership Program. (Sponsors: Reed, Taylor).
(PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Operational Efficiency, Urban Public Spaces).
Presenter(s): Christine Chute Canul, Program Manager II, Parks and Recreation Department.

5. Staff briefing on progress of the Festival Beach Soundwall and pedestrian improvements.
(*PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Urban Public Spaces, Park Access for All*).
Presenter(s): JT Stewart, Senior Planner, Parks and Recreation Department.
6. Staff briefing on Parks and Recreation Department community engagement events, planning updates, development updates, maintenance updates, program updates and administrative updates. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).
(*PARD Long Range Strategies: Relief from Urban Life, Urban Public Spaces, Park Access for All*).
Presenter(s): Angela Means, Parks and Recreation Interim Director.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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AGENDA ADDENDUM

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7. Approve a recommendation to Austin City Council to allocate an additional \$2.62 million to the Parks and Recreation Department's budget for the upcoming fiscal year; and that of this amount, \$2.24 million be allocated towards parks maintenance, including \$1.5 million in ongoing funding and \$740,000 in one-time funding, to support 16 year-round full-time equivalent (FTE) positions and necessary supplies; and that \$385,000 be allocated towards the Homeless Encampment Response Team, including \$375,000 in ongoing funding and \$10,000 in one-time funding, to support 4 year-round FTE positions, operations, and necessary supplies. (Sponsors: Villalobos, Flowers).

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. Discussion on community engagement opportunities for the permanent location for boating concessions at Festival Beach and the amendment to the Holly Shores/Edward Rendon Sr. at Festival Beach Vision Plan to include that location, per City Council Ordinance No. 20191205-070. (Sponsors: Reed, Taylor).

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