

Regular Meeting: Calvert Collins-Bratton, President, presiding

Present: Calvert Collins-Bratton, President; Robb Stewart, Vice-President; Arun Agarwal, Barbara A. Barbee, Harrison Blair, Lane Conner, Timothy W. Dickey, Maria Hasbany, Jeff Kitner, Jesse Moreno, Amanda Schulz, Ernest Slaughter, Taylor Toyne, Lorena Tule-Romain, Daniel Wood - 15

Absent: NONE

This was a virtual meeting held via Cisco Webex. The public were able to view the Open Session meeting on Channel 96 or on the internet.

President Collins called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Agenda Item 1. Speakers – The following people registered to speak. Some of the speakers were no longer available or connected when it was their turn to speak.

- 1) Dolores Rogers – unavailable
- 2) Cynthia Mulcahy – spoke in support for Agenda Item 8
- 3) Maurice Andrew Miller – unavailable
- 4) Naema Young – unavailable
- 5) Lindsay Williambrown – spoke about parks open with ADA access for those with different abilities.
- 6) Moshe Diane Ramsay – spoke about planting of trees in the Oncor corridor along trails.
- 7) Whitney Gail Rose – spoke in favor of Agenda Item 7 - Arapaho Park.
- 8) Jeff Fields – spoke in favor of Agenda Item 7 - Arapaho Park item.
- 9) Leon Flaherty – unavailable
- 10) Dennis Luczycki – spoke in favor of keeping hiking trails and Cedar Ridge Preserve open as much as possible.
- 11) Michael Massey – wanted clarification of event/location closures via reservations.
- 12) Lloyd M Edwards – unavailable.

Agenda Item 2. A motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Jeff Kitner, to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2020 Park and Recreation Board Meeting, was carried. The vote was unanimous.

### **UPDATE**

Interim Director, John D. Jenkins updated the Park and Recreation Board about the Department's response and action to COVID-19. Mr. Jenkins and executive staff provided an in-depth report of the steps taken by the Park Department to balance public health and safety in parks.

### **CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 3 – 11)**

Vice President Stewart moved, seconded by Daniel Wood to: 1) take no action on item #3 – as the event had been cancelled, 2) remove items 7,8,11 for individual consideration and 3) approve the other items on Consent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 3. Savage Park (14) – Authorize issuing an alcohol permit to Peter Loh, to serve alcohol at the Swiss Avenue Mother's Day Home Tour to be held at Dorothy and Wallace Savage Park, located at 5501 Swiss Avenue. The event will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 10, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. - Estimated Revenue: \$250 (This is a recurring item), - no action taken on this item- event had been cancelled after posting of agenda.

Agenda Item 4. Crawford Park (5) – A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Daniel Wood, to authorize 1) the acceptance of a grant from the National Recreation and Park

Association (NRPA) to be used for the creation of a Pollinator Habitat project within Crawford Memorial Park located at 8700 Elam Road, for FY 2019-2020, and 2) authorize an agreement with NRPA not exceed \$20,000.00 - Revenue: \$ 20,000.00, was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5. Northaven Trail (11) – A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Daniel Wood, to authorize the approval of a three-year Beautification Agreement to perform litter and debris cleanups, at City of Dallas Parks and on the Northaven Trail in coordination with the Park and Recreation Department - Financing: No cost consideration to the City, was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 6. Everglade Park (7) – A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Daniel Wood, to authorize the use of Land Acquisition and Partnership Match Funding in Proposition B of the 2017 Bond Program for match funding for an irrigation system at Everglade Park located at 5100 Jim Miller Road – Not to exceed \$10,000.00 – Financing: This item has no cost consideration to the City (see Fiscal Information), was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 7. Arapaho Park (11) – A motion by Jeff Kitner, seconded by Robb Stewart to authorize the use of Land Acquisition and Partnership Match Funding in Proposition B of the 2017 Bond Program for match funding for a playground at Arapaho Park located at 7401 Tophill Lane – Not to exceed \$125,000.00 – Financing: This item has no cost consideration to the City (see Fiscal Information), was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 8. Kidd Springs Park (1) – (Barbara A. Barbee recused herself from this vote) A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Amanda Schulz, to authorize the use of Land Acquisition and Partnership Match Funding in Proposition B of the 2017 Bond Program for match funding for Kidd Springs Park located at ~~4003 Cedar Hill Lane~~ 700 West Canty Street, not to exceed \$35,000.00 - Financing: This item has no cost consideration to the City (see Fiscal Information), was carried by majority vote (14-1; Barbee recused).

Agenda item 9. Hillcrest Village Green (12) – A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Daniel Wood, to authorize an increase in the construction services contract with RoeschCo Construction, Inc. for the Hillcrest Village Green - Site Development Project located at 6959 Arapaho Road – Not to exceed \$96,000.85 from \$4,293,900.00 to \$4,389,900.85 - Financing: Park and Recreation Facilities (B) Fund (2017 Bond Funds), was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 10. Hillcrest Village Green (12) – A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Daniel Wood, to authorize interpretive signage in connection with the installation “*Stacked Friends*,” a public art project by Brad Oldham International, Inc. at Hillcrest Village Green, located at 6971 Arapaho Road - Financing: No cost consideration to the City (see Fiscal Information), was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda item 11. A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Lane Conner, to authorize 1) cancellation of the April 16, 2020, and ~~May 21, 2020~~ Park Board meetings, and 2) rescheduling the missed meetings to some dates agreed to by vote of the Park and Recreation Board – with an amendment by Robb Stewart stating that May 21, 2020 meeting would ONLY be cancelled if the ‘Shelter in Place’ orders were still in effect; – Financing: No cost consideration to the City, was carried by unanimous vote.

President Collins read into the record that the Adelfa Callejo Statue item was to be considered on April 16, 2020 and should be deferred to the May 7, 2020 meeting for consideration, and all other items that were scheduled for April 16, 2020 would be rescheduled to future meetings

BRIEFINGS  
NONE

DIRECTOR'S SEARCH

Before going into closed session, President Collins made some summary remarks in open session about the overall process.

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At 12:11 p.m., President Collins called the Board into Closed Session.

Agenda Item 12. Closed Session: Discussion of the Director's Search Committee recommendation to the position of Director of the Park and Recreation Department and discuss salary. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]

At 1:43 p.m., President Collins called the Board into Open Session. President Collins called for a 10-minute recess.

At 1:57 p.m., President Collins reconvened the Park Board in Open Session

At 1:57 p.m., President Collins called the Board back into Closed Session

At 2:03 p.m., President Collins reconvened the Park Board into Open Session

Agenda Item 13. Consideration and vote on the appointment of the Director of the Park and Recreation Department. A motion by President Collins, seconded by Daniel Wood and Lorena Tule-Romain to appoint John D. Jenkins as the new Director of the Park and Recreation Board, effective immediately. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Jenkins thanked the Board and made some brief remarks.

### OTHER/NON-ACTION ITEMS

Agenda Item 14. The Park and Recreation Board Members liaison reports regarding Audubon Dallas/Cedar Ridge Preserve, Cultural Affairs Commission, Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Dallas Zoological Society, Downtown Dallas, Inc./Downtown Parks, Friends of Fair Park, The Friends of Katy Trail, Senior Affairs Commission, State Fair of Texas, Texas Discovery Gardens, The Trinity Commons Foundation, Trinity River Audubon Center, Turtle Creek Association, Turtle Creek Conservancy, The Woodall Rodgers Park Foundation/Klyde Warren Park were as follows:

NONE

Agenda Item 15. FY 2020-2021 and FY 2021-2022 Budget Update - NONE


Agenda Item 16. 2020 TRAPS Presentations by Boardmembers – President Collins asked Boardmembers to submit a written summary to Anthony Becker, Park Board Secretary to share with the rest of the Board.


Agenda Item 17. Staff Announcements – Upcoming Park and Recreation Department Events - None

Agenda Item 18. Discussion of future Park and Recreation Board Regular Meetings – The next meeting will be May 7, 2020 – via web.

President Collins also reminded the Board that since April 16, 2020 was the original date scheduled to discuss the Adelfa Callejo statue item, that will be moved to the May 7, 2020 meeting instead.

Agenda Item 19. President Collins adjourned the Board meeting at 2:09 p.m.

  
Anthony M. Becker, Secretary  
Park and Recreation Board

  
Calvert Collins-Bratton, President  
Park and Recreation Board

NOTE: For more information on discussion of any issue heard during this meeting, refer to the tape recording retained in the Park Department's Central File.

