

Regular Meeting: Arun Agarwal, President, presiding

Present: Arun Agarwal, President; Daniel Wood, Vice-President; Harrison Blair, Calvert Collins-Bratton, Lane Conner, Timothy W. Dickey, Maria Hasbany, JR Huerta, Rudy Karimi, Jeff Kitner, Priscilla Rice, Bo Slaughter, Robb Stewart, Taylor Toynes – 14

Absent: Fonya Naomi Mondell – 1

This was a virtual meeting held via Cisco Webex and in person in the 6FN conference room. The public were able to view the Open Session meeting on the internet. The public were also able to attend in person.

President Agarwal called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

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

George Castro – various concerns regarding Reverchon Recreation Center.

Agenda Item 2. Minutes - A motion by Bo Slaughter, seconded by JR Huerta, to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2022 Park and Recreation Board meeting was carried by unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA (3-5)

President Agarwal pulled item 6 from the consent agenda. Therefore, a motion was made by Daniel Wood, seconded by Robb Stewart to approve items 3-5 on consent and was carried by a unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Agenda Item 3. Kiest Park (4) – A motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize an alcohol permit to Travis Collier, to serve alcohol at the NAGAAA Gay Softball World Series to be held at Kiest park, located at 3080 South Hampton Road. The event will be held on Tuesday, August 30 through Saturday, September 3, 2022 from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Estimated Revenue: \$250, was carried by a unanimous vote.

PLANNING AND DESIGN

Agenda Item 4. Wm. B. Dean Park (14) – A motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize (1) naming revision of Wm. B. Dean Park, located at 3636 Turtle Creek Boulevard, to William B. Dean M.D. Park, and (2) defining the boundaries of said park – No cost consideration to the City (committee considered this item on June 16, 2022), was carried by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5. Santa Fe Trail (2,9,14) – A motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize adoption of the Santa Fe Trail Master Plan – Financing: No Cost consideration to the City. (committee considered this item on June 16, 2022), was carried by a unanimous vote.

Director Jenkins asked the Board to take no action on item 6.

Agenda Item 6. No action was taken

Flagpole Hill (10) – authorize the placement of a historical marker at Flagpole Hill Park located at 8015 Doran Circle – Financing: No cost consideration to the City (committee considered this item on June 16, 2022)

BRIEFINGS

Agenda Item 7. Urban Forestry Update – M. Renee Johnson, Assistant Director

Ms. Johnson introduced Mr. Brett Johnson – Interim Senior Park Manager, and Mr. Chris McMaster - City Forester.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. McMaster presented and were available for questions and feedback from the Board.

Agenda Item 8. I am a Golfer Foundation – Ryan O'Connor, Assistant Director

Mr. O'Connor introduced Mr. Dave Ridley and Chuck Walker with the I am a Golfer Foundation.

Mr. Ridley and Mr. Walker presented and were available for questions and feedback from the Board.

Agenda Item 9. Everglade Park/Jim Miller Pump Station – Christina Turner-Noteware, Assistant Director

Ms. Turner-Noteware introduced Mr. Marc Cottingame – Engineering Program Administration and Mr. James McQuery – Senior Engineer with Dallas Water Utilities.

Mr. Cottingame and Mr. McQuery presented and were available for questions and feedback from the Board.

Agenda Item 10. Kalita Humphreys Theatre/Dean Park Master Plan – Ryan O'Connor, Assistant Director

Mr. O'Connor introduced Ms. Jennifer Altabef, Mr. Kevin Moriarty, Mr. Charles Renfro, and Ms. Leslie Carter with the Dallas Theater Center.

Mr. Renfro and Ms. Carter presented and were available for questions and feedback from the Board.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

Agenda item 11 was considered after agenda item 9 was briefed.

Agenda Item 11. Everglade Park (7) – A motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by JR Huerta, to authorize a public hearing to be held on September 14, 2022, pursuant to Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, to receive comments on the proposed use of a portion of parkland at Everglade Park, located at 5100 Jim Miller Road, totaling approximately 23,373 square feet of land and temporary use of approximately 31,142 square feet of land, by Dallas Water Utilities for the construction of a 54-inch water main and future wastewater lines for the Jim Miller Pump Station Improvements Project – Financing: No cost consideration to the City (committee considered this item on June 16, 2022), was carried by a unanimous vote.

UPDATE

Agenda Item 12. Bachman Creek Greenbelt Quik Trip Development and Maintenance Agreement Update – Christina Turner-Noteware, Assistant Director

Ms. Turner-Noteware presented and was available for questions and feedback from the Board.

OTHER/NON-ACTION ITEMS

Agenda Item 13. Staff Announcements – Upcoming Park and Recreation Department Events.

Staff announced the following events:

Tony Becker - Board Secretary, announced there would be an upcoming training for the Board for the new voting system.

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, Friends of Preston Ridge 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.

Board announcements:

Maria Hasbany announced the new fountain at Klyde Warren Park on the east lawn, and the Great lawn would be resodded in June.

Bo Slaughter announced the Golf Tournament hosted by the State fair at Tenison Golf Course was a successful event.

Jeff Kitner announced the Friends of Northaven Trail would host a movie on the Northaven Trail on June 25, 2022.

Harrison Blair invited Board members to participate in a cleanup at William Blair Park that would be hosted on Juneteenth weekend. He also announced the Southern Gateway Foundation had reached a funding goal.

Rudy Karimi invited Board members to participate in the Slide Challenge at Exline Park on June 17, 2022, and at the Cove at Samuell Grand on June 18, 2022.

Priscilla Rice announced she would be participating in the Slide Challenge in Spanish to promote programs offered by the Park Department to monolingual citizens.

JR Huerta announced June 16, 2022 was World Cup day and encouraged Board members to watch the announcement of the host city by FIFA.

Agenda Item 15. Next Park Board meeting. The next Park Board meeting will be Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item 16. President Agarwal adjourned the Board meeting at 1:10 pm.



Anthony M. Becker, Secretary
Park and Recreation Board



Arun Agarwal, President
Park and Recreation Board
Date: 8/4/2022

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.