

Regular Meeting: Arun Agarwal, President, presiding

Present: Arun Agarwal, President; Robb Stewart, Vice-President; Barbara A. Barbee, Harrison Blair, Calvert Collins-Bratton, Lane Conner, Timothy W. Dickey, Maria Hasbany, Rudy Karimi, Jeff Kitner, Fonya Mondell, Ernest “Bo” Slaughter, Lorena Tule-Romain, Daniel Wood – 14

Absent: Taylor Toyne - 1

This was a virtual meeting held via Cisco Webex and in person in the 6FS conference room. The public were able to view the Open Session meeting on Channel 96 or on the internet. The public were also able to attend in person.

President Agarwal called the meeting to order at **10:05 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.

Alex Stein- LGBT issues with City Hall
Robert Barner- Reverchon Park
Don Williams- Reverchon Park
Charlotte Barner- Reverchon ball field restoration
Richard Shaffer- Restoration of baseball field at Reverchon, Briefing #7 on the agenda
Joshua Claudio- Advocacy for Reverchon Park
Gerry Mecca- In favor of Reverchon Ballfield renovation
Bobby Estes- Reverchon restoration
Andrew Davis- NDHS/Reverchon Baseball field
Stephen Lowe- Renovation of Reverchon for cont. use of amateur baseball
Alexis Perez- Ball field
Adriana Davis- Reverchon restoration
Brian Barnett- Reverchon renovation project
Elijah Perez- Reverchon Turf
Silvia Salinas- Reverchon Renovation Project
Dan Routman- Reverchon Park Briefing
Amanda Schulz- Reverchon Ball Field
David Slear- Overview of Dallas United Crew.
Xavier Aniton- DUC Community Outreach

Agenda Item 2. A motion by Daniel Wood seconded by Fonya Mondell, to approve the minutes as amended by Jeff Kitner of the September 15, 2021 Park and Recreation Board meeting was carried. The vote was unanimous.

An amendment was made to the board announcements section.

CONSENT AGENDA (NONE)

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

Agenda Item 3. Katy Trail (14) – A motion by Robb Stewart, seconded by Calvert Collins-Bratton, as amended by Tim Dickey, Authorize a ten-year development, operation, and maintenance agreement with one five-year renewal option with Prescott Group for the development, operation, and maintenance of a trail rest area and public from an adjacent development access to the Katy Trail located at 4825 Cole Avenue – Financing: This item has no cost consideration to the City (**considered by committee on October 7, 2021**), was carried by unanimous vote.

A motion to delay the item until the November 4, 2021 meeting was made by Fonya Mondell, seconded by Barbara Barbee. Voting in favor Fonya Mondell, Barbara Barbee, and Tim Dickey. Voting in opposition Arun Agarwal, Robb Stewart, Harrison Blair, Calvert Collins-Bratton, Lane Conner, Maria Hasbany, Rudy Karimi, Jeff Kitner, Bo Slaughter, Lorena Tule-Romain, and Daniel Wood. Taylor Toyne was absent when the vote was taken. The motion failed.

A friendly amendment to the original motion was made by Tim Dickey to have the Park Board approve the agreement at the five-year option. Robb Stewart and Calvert Collins-Bratton accepted the friendly amendment. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 4. Five Person Memo (1) – A motion by Bo Slaughter, seconded by Calvert Collins-Bratton, Authorize the official naming of the future park located at the Jefferson/12th Street Connector as Kevin W. Sloan Park – Financing: No cost consideration to the City, was carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5. Timberlawn (7) – A motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Barbara Barbee, Authorize an acquisition from Wilbow Corporation, Inc. and/or its affiliates for future parkland of approximately 3.72 acres of land located at 4600 Samuell Blvd for development of a future park—Financing: No cost consideration to the City, was carried by unanimous vote.

BRIEFINGS

Agenda Item 6. Outdoor Adventure at Samuell Farm – Crystal Ross, Deputy Director

Ms. Ross introduced Lisa McClendon, Special events Coordinator.
Ms. McClendon presented and was available for questions.

At 12:36pm Chair Agarwal called for a break until 1:00pm.
At 1:01pm Chair Agarwal reconvened the meeting.

Agenda Item 7. Reverchon Ballpark Restoration Update – Ryan O’Connor, Assistant Director.

Ryan O’Connor presented. Board members were given 3 rounds for discussion and went in district order for each round.

OTHER/NON-ACTION ITEMS

Agenda Item 8. 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:

Board announcements:

Harrison Blair announced the opening of the South Oak Cliff Renaissance Park which is located behind South Oak Cliff High School.

Bo Slaughter announced the Texas/Oklahoma Red River Showdown football game at Fair Park on October 9, 2021.

Lane Conner announced a Tree Planting event at Salado Park on October 30, 2021.

Fonya Mondell announced a Tree Planting event at Garrett Park on October 9, 2021 at 9:00am.

Daniel Wood announced the opening of the Children’s Aquarium at Fair Park, and the World Food Championships that will take place on November 5 through November 7, 2021 at the Centennial Hall in Fair Park.

Agenda Item 9. NRPA reports by Board Members
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Per President Agarwal Board members are to submit written reports to the board secretary.

Agenda Item 10. FY 2021-22, FY 2022-23 Budget Development Update, Rachael Berry, Interim Assistant Director.

This item was deferred to the October 21, 2021 meeting.

Agenda Item 11. Staff Announcements – Upcoming Park and Recreation Department Events.

None.

Agenda Item 12. Next Park Board meeting. The next Park Board meeting will be Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item 13. President Agarwal adjourned the Board meeting at 3:04pm.



Anthony M. Becker, Secretary
Park and Recreation Board



Arun Agarwal, 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.