

Regular Meeting: Arun Agarwal, President, presiding

Present: Arun Agarwal, President; Daniel Wood, Vice-President; Harrison Blair, Lane Conner, Timothy W. Dickey, Maria Hasbany, JR Huerta, Rudy Karimi, Jeff Kitner, Fonya Naomi Mondell, Bo Slaughter, Robb Stewart – 12

Absent: Calvert Collins-Bratton – 1

Vacant: District 3, District 5

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.

Sophia Cordova – Hoops for Jose Fundraiser  
Vance Yellowfish – Hoops for Jose Fundraiser  
Dustin Gadberry – Hi Line Connector Trail

Agenda Item 2. Minutes - A motion by Bo Slaughter, seconded by JR Huerta, to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2022 Park and Recreation Board meeting was carried by unanimous vote.

### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

- Special Recognition of Richard Ritz for his 18 years of service and dedication to the City and Park and Recreation Department

Mr. Ritz received recognition from Director Jenkins and President Agarwal.

### **CONSENT AGENDA (3-5)**

#### **ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

Agenda Item 3. Park Board Policy Athletic Field Use (All) – A motion by Maria Hasbany, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize approval of the Park Board Policy: Athletic Field Use Policy: Youth – Financing: No cost consideration to the City (**committee considered this item on April 7, 2022**), was carried by unanimous vote.

#### **PLANNING AND DESIGN**

Agenda Item 4. Harry Stone Art Installation (9) – A motion by Maria Hasbany, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize site approval for a new public art installation at Harry Stone Recreation Center, located at 2403 Millmar Drive - Financing: No cost consideration to the City, was carried by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5. Kleberg Rylie Art Installation (8) – A motion by Maria Hasbany, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize site approval for a new public art installation at Kleberg Rylie Recreation Center, located at 1515 Edd Road – Financing: No cost consideration to the City, was carried by a unanimous vote.

### **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

President Agarwal considered Agenda item 9 first.

Agenda Item 6. Service Agreement (2,6,8,9,12) – A motion by Maria Hasbany, seconded by Robb Stewart, to authorize a three-year service price agreement for commercial janitorial services for Park and Recreation Department aquatic sprayground restroom facilities – Superior Commercial Cleaning in the estimated amount of \$784,913.10 most advantageous proposer of two - Total award not to exceed \$784,913.10 - Financing: Current Funds (subject to annual appropriations), was carried by a unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 7. Hi-Line Connector Trail (2,6) – A motion by Daniel Wood, Seconded by Tim Dickey, to authorize a construction services contract for the construction of the Hi-Line Connector Trail – The Fain Group, Inc. lowest responsive and responsible bidder of six – Not to exceed \$11,531,424.84 – Financing: Circuit Trail Connector Fund (\$8,000,000.00), Circuit Trail Conservancy Fund (\$3,531,424.84) (**board deferred this item on April 7, 2022**), was carried by a majority vote.

**Voting in favor:** JR Huerta, Harrison Blair, Tim Dickey, Daniel Wood, Bo Slaughter, Maria Hasbany, Robb Stewart, Jeff Kitner, Lane Conner, Calvert Collins-Bratton, and Rudy Karimi

**Voting against:** Fonya Mondell

Director Jenkins and Assistant Director Christina Turner-Noteware were available for questions.

Obeng Opoku – Senior Assistant City attorney and Philip Hiatt Haigh – Executive Director of The Circuit Trail Conservancy answered questions from the Board.

Agenda Item 8. Park Board Policy Partnership Match Funding (All) – a motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Bo Slaughter, to **defer until May 5, 2022 as a discussion item and as a voting item on May 19, 2022** the adoption of Park Board Policy that establishes approval authority and award requirements for the partnership match policy – Financing – No cost consideration to the City (committee considered this item on April 7, 2022), was carried by a majority vote.

**Voting in favor:** JR Huerta, Fonya Mondell, Harrison Blair, Tim Dickey, Daniel Wood, Bo Slaughter, and Lane Conner

**Voting against:** Maria Hasbany, Robb Stewart, Jeff Kitner, Rudy Karimi, and Arun Agarwal

**Absent** when vote taken: Calvert Collins-Bratton

Agenda Item 9. [Beckley Beckley](#)-Saner Recreation Center (4) – a motion by Daniel Wood, seconded by Harrison Blair, to authorize (1) Avance Program Inc. the use of Beckley-Saner Recreation Center located at 114 West Hobson Avenue, and (2) the waiver of rental fees for the Hoops for Jose Fundraiser. The event will be held on Saturday May 14, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Financing: revenue forgone \$1140.00 (rental fee waiver), was carried by a unanimous vote.

## **BRIEFINGS**

Agenda Item 10. Park and Recreation Hiring/Onboarding Update – Vanessa Gray, Human Capital Manager

Ms. Gray Presented and was available for questions and feedback from the Board.

Agenda Item 11. CARES Division Introduction – John Lawrence, Assistant Director

Mr. Lawrence presented and was available for questions and feedback from the Board.

The following staff members of the CARE Division were also present and available for questions:

Charli Jackson, Kevin Redburn, Melissa De La Cruz, Robin Steinshnider, Sergio Garza, and Nicole Chauncey.

## **OTHER/NON-ACTION ITEMS**

Agenda Item 12. 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:

Daniel Wood announced Fair Park and Fair Park First have a new website and video.

Tim Dickey announced the Trinity River Audubon Center was hosting a fundraising event on May 19, 2022.

Bo Slaughter invited the Board to visit the Trinity River Golf Club.

Jeff Kitner announced the success of the ribbon cutting of Arapaho park on April 9, 2022, and the installation of a portion of the Northaven Trail bridge would be installed between 10:30pm and 5:00am on April 21, 2022

Lane Conner announced the ribbon cutting for the pickle ball court at Campbell Green on April 30, 2022 at 11:00am.

JR Huerta announced Farm Fest at Samuel Farm on April 30, 2022 at 10:00am.

Rudy Karimi announced all British and European car day at Dreyfuss Club Point at White Rock Lake on May 1, 2022 at 11:00am.

Fonya Mondell announced the It's My Park Day taking place at various parks around the City on April 23, 2022 from 9:00am to noon.

Chair Agarwal announced the Southern Gateway Foundation has raised more than \$62 million needed for the first phase of the Southern Gateway Park.

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

Yesenia Valdez reminded the Board Members to file their Financial Disclosure and Gift Disclosure forms with the City Secretary's office by May 2, 2022.

Agenda Item 14. Next Park Board meeting. The next Park Board meeting will be Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item 15. President Agarwal adjourned the Board meeting at 1:09 pm.

Anthony M. Becker, Secretary  
Park and Recreation Board

Arun Agarwal, President  
Park and Recreation Board

Date: 5-5-22

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.