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Park Board of Trustees

**Park Board of Trustees of the City of Galveston
Parks and Amenities Advisory Committee**

12/1/2022 - Minutes

I. Call Meeting To Order

This meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

II. Pledge Of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Roll Call And Declaration Of A Quorum

Roll was called and a quorum was declared.

Committee Members present: Jason Hardcastle, Mary Branum, Lisa Carnes, Anna Deichmann, Randall Kopfer, Diane Olsen, and Tony Pathyil.

IV. Conflict Of Interest Declarations

There we no conflicts of interest declared.

V. Requests To Address The Committee

There we no requests to address the committee.

VI. Update From The Seawolf Park Task Force (Vince Lorefice, 30 Minutes)

Vince Lorefice provided an update on the Seawolf Park Task Force following the City and Park Board joint meeting. During the joint meeting, Trustee and Parks and Amenities Chair, Jason Hardcastle presented City Council with development opportunities at Seawolf Park, and two phases were developed. In the first phase, the Park Board will request authorization from the City to issue a Request for Information (RFI) to gauge interest in private investment in building/operating a small recreational vehicle (RV) park. If feasible interest is shown, the City Council and Park Board can determine if a Request for Proposal (RFP) is appropriate. While the direction of the RFI is determined, the opportunity for the Park Board to invest in and operate a limited-service RV Park has also been discussed as a viable option.

The second phase will be to update the Seawolf Master Plan with a site plan for future improvements. Opportunities for future improvement include:

- Water taxi connecting Seawolf Park to the Strand National Historic District
- Expansion of the Galveston Naval Museum
- Added ramadas with facades to showcase the history of immigration on the island
- Extend the existing fishing pier
- Add a new fishing pier along the bayside
- Splashpad water feature

Moving forward, the RFI document and process will be reviewed at the December 8, 2022, City Council meeting. The process is expected to be completed by the end of February 2023.

VII. 2022-2023 Committee Work Plan

Parks and Amenities Chair, Jason Hardcastle anticipates a Parks and Amenities Committee (PAC) meeting will need to be held in February to provide an update on the discussion between the Park Board and City Council. The schedule will be determined during the January 5, 2023, PAC meeting.

VIII. Future Agenda Items

- Update regarding City direction on the development of Stewart Beach

IX. Announcements

Kimberly Danesi announced that Dickens on the Strand is this weekend and invited the committee members out on Sunday at 4:30 p.m. to cheer on the Park Board during the Bed Race.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m.