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Park Board of Trustees

**Park Board of Trustees of the City of Galveston
East End Lagoon Advisory Committee Regular Meeting
601 Tremont Street, Galveston, Texas 77550**

2/5/2020 - Minutes

I. Call Meeting To Order

The meeting was called to order @ 9:00 am.

II. Pledge Of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Roll Call And Declaration Of A Quorum

The roll was called, and a quorum was met.

Roll Call for Minutes:

Steven Creitz – Chairman, Diane Olsen – Vice Chairman, Trey Click, Julie Ann Brown, Len Waterworth, Alice Anne O'Donell, Peter Moore, Eliza Quigley, Kristen Vale

Members Present: Steven Creitz – Chairman, Diane Olsen – Vice Chairman, Trey Click, Julie Ann Brown, Len Waterworth, Alice Anne O'Donell (9:07 am), Peter Moore (9:10 am), Kristen Vale

Members Absent: Eliza Quigley

Guests: Anna Deichmann, Lauren Scott, Mario Rabago

Resource Members: Barbara Sanderson, Deborah January-Beavers

Staff: Sheryl Rozier, Reuben Trevino

IV. Conflict Of Interest Declarations

There was no conflict of interest declared.

V. Requests To Address The Committee

There was no request to address the committee.

VI. Discuss And Consider The Approval Of Regular Meeting Minutes From January 8, 2020 (Steven Creitz, 5

Minutes)

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 8, 2020 was made by Diane Olsen to approve and seconded by Trey Click. The vote was unanimous of those present. Alice Anne O'Donell and Peter Moore did not vote as they arrived after this item.

VII. Discuss And Update On The FY 2019-2020 EELAC Action Plan (Sheryl Rozier, 20 Minutes)

Sheryl Rozier provided an overview and update of the FY 2019-2020 EELAC Action Plan. The committee discussed items and how specific members will be assisting with certain activities. GINTC will also be assisting with this plan. A calendar for the remainder of the FY should be established to stay on track.

VIII. Discuss Items Related To Improvements For Fort San Jacinto Historic Point (Steven Creitz, 20 Minutes)

Barbara Sanderson brought Mario Rabago to the meeting to assist with the discussion about improvements for Fort San Jacinto Historic Point. There is an interest in collecting parking fees from the area for revenue generation that would go back into the EEL area. There is parking on the top of Seawall at the far east end and also the possibility of a surface lot down below on the channel side of the property. EELAC needs to understand what the City's feeling about this proposition, with the revenue staying at and for the EEL. This would not be beach user fee. Other improvements that have been contemplated could include light and using the flagpole, providing public art, providing a place to sit/stand and use the turret as a vantage point, selfie opportunities, restrooms and picnic tables.

The City and Park Board needs to review the new interlocal to confirm responsibilities. Electrical connections and ownership need to be confirmed. Mario mentioned that the City could look at the light pole that appears to be theirs to see what it would take to get it functioning again. He also commented that with the new interlocal the Park Board would be managing the channel side of Boddeker. A concept plan of what would be proposed would need to be drafted and shared with the City with a white paper describing the revenue stream, improvements and maintenance.

An extended conversation about paid parking in the area continued, along with costs that currently being expended that might not be visible to the public. Len Waterworth commented that a cash flow needs to be formalized to see what we could actually generate for capitalization of future projects, similarly to the exercise with the fishing amenity. Mario mentioned making revenue off a concession opportunity (food truck) in lieu of paid parking.

Diane recommended a task force to review the area and improvements recommended. This was agreeable to the committee.

IX. Update On GINTC Commitments To The East End Lagoon (Diane Olsen, 10 Minutes)

GINTC Board did approve looking for a firm to do a comprehensive delineation and paying for the service. They have requested three bids. Sheryl and Anna will work on getting this out for bid. GINTC is also looking for bids to develop a habitat plan for the EEL, which EELAC would review. GINTC is also offering nature walks monthly. This calendar needs to go up on Galveston.com, Park Board website and EEL website, which Sheryl will follow up on. They are also looking at a special trash can for the area. Signage was also discussed with needs and wants.

X. Update On Committee Member Responsibilities (Sheryl Rozier, 10 Minutes)

Sheryl reviewed the documents in the briefing papers and reminded the committee about their attendance responsibilities.
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XI. Future Agenda Items

Channel side fishing amenity findings/info, best management practices (special event guidelines), task force

findings for Fort San Jac.

XII. Announcements

Reminder about the Ribbon Cutting on April 1, 2020 @ 5pm. Please invite at least 2 people to join. The Chamber will be involved as well.

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned @ 10:16 am.