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## **Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes**

600 Morton Street  
Richmond, Texas 77469  
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.

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### **PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES**

The Parks and Recreation Board for the City of Richmond, Texas met in a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Haas, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was present, with all members present.

Chairman Haas declared the meeting open.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-2., public comment. He asked if there were any public comments. Hearing no public comment the agenda item was closed.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-3., review and approval of the minutes from October 10, 2018. The Minutes of October 10, 2018 was approved unanimously.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-4., the Parks and Recreation Board's monthly report to City Commission. No discussion or action required.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-5., announcing the next Parks and Recreation Board meeting. Chairman Haas set the date of the next meeting for January 9, 2019. No comments or action required.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-6., calling for the nominations of officers. The Board elected officers as follows:

- a) Chairperson – Robert Haas
- b) Vice Chairperson – Veronica Torres
- c) Secretary – Pat Pittman

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-7., Keep Richmond Beautiful Updates: The vote was unanimous in approval of the application and supporting documents for submittal to Keep Texas Beautiful for their approval of transitioning Keep Richmond Beautiful from being a committee of the Historic Richmond Association and becoming an entity of the City of Richmond as a Board organized within the Parks and Recreation Board Ordinance. The application is being sent to Gary Smith and Terri Vela for final review. Pending their approval, Chairman Haas will send it to Keep Texas Beautiful. Applications for the board will need to be turned into Laura Scarlato, City Secretary and the Mayor may consider appointments to the Keep Richmond Board and with the City Commission's approval the Keep Richmond Board will be set.

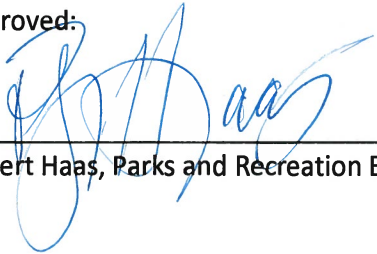
Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-8., Proposed Richmond Community Park Update: Terri Vela and Chairman Haas met with Access Health regarding funding and support for the proposed park. A land survey and concept plan should be received in January 2019. The board will seek approvals from the LCISD and the City Commission regarding properties and have a deed agreement in process before May. The Parks Board is looking into additional funding to start principle design work within the 2019-2020 Budget, and construction in the 2020/2021 budget as well as soliciting for community support and looking for grants.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-9., Staff information reports. Mr. Howard Christian reported various activities and improvements at several of the parks. Freeman Town Park there is a 1 year warranty and punch list is being complete. Crawford Park lighting issues have been repaired. George Park Restroom Project, they will be closer to the pavilion with a lighted walkway as well as conceptual design is being made for a new entrance to the park. Chairman Haas explained that the Development Corporation authorized a contract that needs City Commissioners approval for engineering lighting at the railroad bridge. Led lighting is less expensive, and efficient. This is the same company that installed the lighting on the US 59 bridges going into downtown. This will enhance the bridge and the area.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-10., park visits by the Park and Recreation Board. The ribbon cutting for the new Wessendorff Fountain was held today. Comments were made on how beautiful the fountain looks at night and that there is always a lot of residents using the walking trail by the Police Station.

There being no further business to be brought before the Parks and Recreation Board, Chairman Haas adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

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Robert Haas, Parks and Recreation Board Chair