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Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

600 Morton Street

Richmond, Texas 77469

Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 5:00 P.M.

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

The Parks and Recreation Board for the City of Richmond, Texas met in a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 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 March Meeting minutes will be postponed until next month.

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 May 22, 2019. No comments or action required.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-6., Keep Richmond Beautiful (KRB) Committee monthly report: a) Shred Day was held April 6. There were 22,220 pounds of documents that were shredded, which was above last year's record. There were 26 volunteers and 10 KRB members present for the event. KRB members planted new plants, weeded the beds, and fertilized the City Hall Park area. Rose beds were weeded and trimmed at Wessendorff Park. B) Upcoming activities include setting flags in the planters on Morton Street and around the Oak trees at City Hall over the Memorial Day Weekend. Chairman Haas shared that he has heard compliments regarding the work KRB has been doing.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-7., Review and Discuss Community Park concepts. Chairman Haas asked each member to express ideas and opinions of their vision of the development of the new Community Park. Chairman Haas recommended the committee turn all the information they have gathered thus far over to Mr. Howard Christian, Assistant City Manager. There are questions regarding use of the track by the school. Chairman Haas read aloud some recommendations such as adding sidewalks, landscaping, and a walking track all the way around the park, as well as the idea of adding a

set of restrooms and concession stand. Chairman Haas stated that the Commission will need to check on budget for 2020 and 2021 and will utilize any grants for the new park. Mr. Christian indicated staff would like to have a consensus and formal recommendation from the Parks Board. A time line will need to be set to speak to the School District regarding the park. Mr. Christian also recommended that a community meeting be held. Chairman Haas recommended an action item for this will be discussed in depth at the next regular Commission Meeting and then be forwarded to Mr. Christian.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-8., Staff reports. Howard Christian, Assistant City Manager, stated that 40 volunteers from Anchor Bend Church planted flowers, weeded, and clean up a couple areas within the City. Staff is working on getting the parks ready for spring time.

Chairman Haas introduced agenda item A-9., Park visits by park board members. Chairman Haas commented that George Park looks very good.

There being no further business to be brought before the Parks and Recreation Board, Chairman Haas adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Haas", written over a horizontal line.

Robert Haas, Parks and Recreation Board Chair