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Park Board of Trustees

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

7/7/2022 - Minutes

I. Call Meeting To Order

This meeting was called to order at 9:02 am.

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 not declared.

Committee Members present Jason Worthen, Mary Branum, Robert Callies, Anna Deichmann, Diane Olsen, Joe Zdunek.

IV. Conflict Of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

V. Requests To Address The Committee

There were no requests to address the committee.

VI. Discuss And Consider Approval Of Meeting Minutes

The motion to discuss and consider the approval of meeting minutes for June 2, 2022, was dismissed and moved to the next Parks and Amenities Committee meeting due to an unestablished quorum.

VII. Presentation Of The Draft Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Parks Budgets (Bryson Frazier, 15 Minutes)

Bryson Frazier presented the draft fiscal year 2022 - 2023 parks budgets to the Parks and Amenities Committee (PAC) for their recommendation to send the draft FY2023 budget to the full Board for review and to the City of Galveston for review.

In FY22.23 park manager positions for R.A. Apffel Park and Stewart Beach were combined into one position. Similarly, the park manager positions for Seawolf Park and Urban Park were also combined into one position. The seasonal staff positions at R.A. Apffel Park and Stewart Beach were combined into one unit.

Capital projects at R.A. Apffel Park and Seawolf Park are being funded by interfund transfers from Tourism Development. Tourism Development is in a strong cash position and the transfer represents an effort to reinvest into the parks. Pertaining to the general fund transfers, all transfers were limited to less than 10% of revenue, per General Land Office (GLO) rules.

As a matter of best practice, budgeted cash use is limited to capital and/or non-recurring expenses. In FY23, Seawolf Park, Stewart Beach, and East End Lagoon will see capital needs in FY23 and in the coming years. Funding for Seawolf Park projects will need to come from an outside funding source as revenue shares with the City limits investment into the capital needs of the park. Stewart Beach will undergo concrete repairs in FY23 and is budgeted to be split 85%/15% between Beach Patrol and Stewart Beach. East End Lagoon is budgeted \$20k for campsite panning.

Looking into Dellanera RV Park and R.A. Apffel Park, an increase in FY22 visitation has improved their cash position and outlook for FY23. Urban Park's budget includes the full impact of the parking fee increase from FY21. In FY23 there are increases to the personnel budget from previous years to account for filling vacant positions and increase pay rates.

PAC did not request any changes to the FY2023 budget and will therefore move to The Board of Trustees for their approval of the final budgets.

VIII. 2021-2022 Committee Work Plan

IX. Future Agenda Items

X. Announcements

Vince Lorefice reminded the committee of the Parks Tours on July 16th and July 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Ann Hobing announced the Flower Garden Banks Art Installation at Seawolf Park will be extended until July 16th for a closing ceremony funded by the Galveston Culture Arts Commission.

Ann Hobing announced the next Women in Coastal Science will be on July 22, 2022, at R.A. Apffel Park, with Kristen Vale from the American Bird Conservancy.

Anna Deichman announced she will be hosting a Nature Walk on July 16, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at East End Lagoon.

Jason Worthen announced that Steven Creitz has stepped down as the Chair of the Parks and Amenities Committee.

XI. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.