

# **METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

## **MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING September 2, 2008**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 at 1:30 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. Stan Fossick, Mr. Lamont Carter, Justice A. A. Birch Jr., Ms. Tonya Jones and Ms. Karen Johnson. Mr. James Lawson and Ms. Ivanetta Davis Samuels were not in attendance.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. James Gray/Finance and Administration, Mr. Mike Bays/Consolidated Maintenance, Mr. Curt Garrigan/Planning and Facilities Development, Mr. Paul Widman/Recreation, Mr. Tommy Lynch/Special Services; Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent of Community Affairs; Mr. Bob Parrish, Superintendent of Resource Management; Ms. Shain Dennison, Superintendent of Greenways Development; Captain Rich Foley, Park Police and **Ms. Theresa Costonis, Metro Government Legal Counsel.**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AUGUST 5, 2008 APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, August 5, 2008 subject to a date correction being made to consent agenda 08-08-09. (Sunday, June 29, 2008 changed to Thursday, September 4, 2008.)

#### **VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS**

#### **VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**08-08-32**

#### **BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER PAM MURRAY TO INSTALL A MONUMENT IN CLEVELAND PARK**

Councilmember Pam Murray was present to request permission from the board to install a small monument at the corner of North 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Evanston Avenue (in Cleveland Park) to enhance and improve the community.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board approved this request as per committee recommendation subject to minor modifications to the wording on the monument so as to be consistent with existing park signage. Curt Garrigan will be the contact person representing Metro Parks.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**08-08-33**

**COUNCILMEMBER PAM MURRAY REQUESTS THE BOARD TO DEFER  
CONSIDERATION OF A HOMELESS MEMORIAL GARDEN TO BE CREATED  
IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA FOR TWO MONTHS**

Councilmember Pam Murray was present to request on behalf of Howard, an area homeless person, consideration of the board to create a homeless memorial garden to increase awareness of homelessness in the downtown area and to show respect to all members of society.

Because this request does not meet board policy with regard to memorials Councilmember Murray asked for a deferral for two months to explore other options with regard to the creation of a memorial to homelessness. Therefore, upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board unanimously deferred this request to the December board meeting.

**08-08-36**

**BOARD APPROVES PARTIAL LIST OF REQUESTS BY EDDIE PHILLIPS  
REGARDING STONE HALL AND ADJACENT DEVELOPMENT AREA**

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved the following requests by Eddie Phillips, developer, with regard to proposed entrance gates, signage, landscaping easement or other permission for development of a road at Stone Hall (realignment of Stones River Road):

- an easement to Mr. Phillips to provide landscaping, irrigation and berms for the roadway, entranceway and providing vegetative buffer;
- shared stone entry monuments and walls labeled exhibit B except for secondary columns;
- add signage for “The Reserve at Stone Hall” and for “Ravenwood Club” to the stone entrance monuments.

The acquisition sub-committee of the board will review and evaluate the remaining requests of Mr. Phillips at their meeting on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 at 12:30 pm preceding the board meeting in the Greenways conference room. Those requests are:

- Metro Parks to maintain landscaping provided by Mr. Phillips for the entrance roadway;
- Credit to Mr. Phillips \$22,000 of the \$185,000 he is obligated to provide for Stone Hall;

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**08-08-36 (con't.)**

**BOARD APPROVES PARTIAL LIST OF REQUESTS BY EDDIE PHILLIPS  
REGARDING STONE HALL AND ADJACENT DEVELOPMENT AREA**

- Construction and maintenance cost sharing on the landscaping or entranceway improvements (including lights, irrigation, berms, landscaping, and stone entrance monuments).

Mr. Lawson, sub-committee chair, suggested that a meeting be held with appropriate park staff (Shain Dennison and Curt Garrigan), Mr. Phillips, and Mr. Tom White (Phillips' attorney) prior to the sub-committee meeting.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-01**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF KARA BALDUFOT AND ADAM BOOTH  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY AND RECEPTION  
TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2008  
IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS AND EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL PARK**

An application submitted by Kara Baldufot and Adam Booth requesting permission for amplification during a wedding on Sunday, October 12, 2008, 10:00 am – 7:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens (1:00 – 4:00 pm) and the event shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board approved this request with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-02**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE CENTER FOR JEWISH AWARENESS TO  
PLACE A MENORAH IN RIVERFRONT PARK ADJACENT TO THE HOLIDAY TREE**

Correspondence submitted by Rabbi Yitzchok Tiechtel, Executive Director of The Center for Jewish Awareness, requesting permission to place a nine-foot Menorah in Riverfront Park December 3 – 30, 2008 and host a ceremonial lighting on the first night of Chanukah (Sunday, December 21, 2008) was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request subject to the same rules as any other structure that the Board and Department allow. All typical insurance requirements apply, reasonable safety-related limitations on the size and weight of the structure will be imposed with use of an approved licensed engineer with regard to the support and placement of the Menorah.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-02 (con't.)**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE CENTER FOR JEWISH AWARENESS TO PLACE A MENORAH IN RIVERFRONT PARK ADJACENT TO THE HOLIDAY TREE**

The Board can reasonably require that expressive structures be accompanied by a sign to the effect that this display has been erected by a private organization and its presence does not constitute an endorsement by the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County of the organization or the display.

**09-08-03**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO CROSS TIMBERS FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A CARNIVAL, CONCERT, CHURCH SERVICE AND PICNIC ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2008 IN BELLEVUE PARK**

An application submitted by Mr. Jack Ketteman, representing Cross Timbers Freewill Baptist Church, requesting permission for amplification during a carnival, concert, church service and picnic on Saturday, October 11 (2:00 – 9:00 pm) and Sunday, October 12, 2008, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, in Bellevue Park (green space, amphitheatre and picnic pavilions) was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-04**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EMPLOYEE COOKOUT AND PICNIC TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ADJACENT TO THE CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2008**

An application submitted by Mr. Gerald Kyle, representing Starbucks Coffee Company, requesting permission for amplification during an employee cookout and picnic on Friday, September 5, 2008, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, at the picnic shelter in Centennial Park adjacent to the children's playground was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-05**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF INCREDIBLE EVENTS FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A COMPANY PICNIC FOR T-MOBILE, INC. TO BE HELD IN SHELBY PARK ADJACENT TO THE SOFTBALL FIELDS ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

An application submitted by Incredible Events requesting permission for amplification during a company picnic for T-Mobile, Inc. employees on Friday, September 12, 2008, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, in Shelby Park (greenspace adjacent to the softball fields) was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-06**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE GREATER NASHVILLE AFFILIATE SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A RACE FOR THE CURE EVENT TO BE HELD IN RIVERFRONT AND HALL OF FAME PARKS ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Cate Hamilton, Executive Director of the Greater Nashville Affiliate Susan G. Komen for the Cure, requesting permission for amplification during a race for the cure event on Saturday, October 4, 2008, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm, in Riverfront and Hall of Fame Parks was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-07**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF COMMUNITY NASHVILLE FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WALK AS ONE EVENT TO BE HELD AT THE CENTENNIAL ART CENTER GARDEN AREA AND ADJACENT SPACE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008**

An application submitted by Mr. Trey Lipman, representing Community Nashville, requesting permission for amplification during a walk as one event on Saturday, October 4, 2008, 9:00 – 10:00 am, at the Centennial Art Center garden area and adjacent space was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-08**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF CUMULUS MEDIA (WQQK)  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FAMILY FUN DAY TO BE HELD  
IN SHELBY PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Valerie Ealey, representing Cumulus Media (WQQK), requesting permission for amplification during a Family Fun Day on Saturday, October 4, 2008, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm, in Shelby Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-09**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF AARP TENNESSEE FOR AMPLIFICATION  
DURING AN AARP PICNIC AND DEBATE PARTY TO BE HELD AT THE  
CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL AND EVENT SHELTER  
ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2008**

An application submitted by Mr. Rebiun Kelly representing AARP Tennessee, requesting permission for amplification during an AARP picnic and debate watch party on Tuesday, October 7, 2008, 5:00 – 10:00 pm, at the band shell and event shelter in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-10**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE INTERNATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT  
BUYERS ASSOCIATION FOR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION DURING LIVE  
SHOWCASES AND AWARDS BANQUET  
OCTOBER 12 – 14, 2008 IN HALL OF FAME PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Tiffany Davis, representing the International Entertainment Buyers Association, requesting permission for the consumption of alcohol during live showcases and awards banquet on Sunday, October 12, Monday, October 13 and Tuesday, October 14, 2008, 10:00 am – 11:00 pm, at Hall of Fame Park was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board granted permission for the consumption of alcoholic beverages, as per Metro Ordinance, contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-11**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL BLACK NURSES' ASSOCIATION FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A BIKE-A-THON AND BIKE RODEO AT THE WALKING TRAIL/TRACK IN HARTMAN PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Jackie Harris, representing the Nashville Chapter of the National Black Nurses' Association, requesting permission for amplification during a bike-a-thon and bike rodeo on Saturday, October 4, 2008, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, at the walking trail/track in Hartman Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-12**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF TENNESSEE FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING TWO EVENTS AT THE EVENT SHELTER IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8 AND TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2008**

An application submitted by Catholic Charities of Tennessee requesting permission for amplification during the following events in Centennial Park at the Event Shelter was presented to the board:

Breakfast/Lunch Celebration	Wednesday, October 8, 2008 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Corporate Meeting	Tuesday, October 14, 2008 8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-13**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF HCA INFORMATION SECURITY DEPARTMENT  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WORK GATHERING AT THE EVENT SHELTER  
IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Betty Pawlik, representing HCA Information Security Department, requesting permission for amplification during a work gathering on Friday, October 10, 2008, 12:30 – 4:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter and adjacent greenspace was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-14**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF HCA FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A  
CORPORATE DIVERSITY EVENT AT THE EVENT SHELTER  
IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Latrisha Davis, representing HCA, requesting permission for amplification during a corporate diversity event on Friday, October 17, 2008, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-15**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF GOODPASTURE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL FOR  
AMPLIFICATION DURING A 5K WALK/RUN EVENT AT THE EVENT SHELTER  
IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Sharon Nabors, representing Goodpasture Christian School, requesting permission for amplification during a 5K Walk/Run event on Saturday, October 18, 2008, 7:00 – 9:00 am, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-16**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MID TENNESSEE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WALKATHON AT THE PAVILION  
IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Pamela Robison, representing the Mid-Tennessee Council of the Blind, requesting permission for amplification during a walk-a-thon on Saturday, October 18, 2008, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Pavilion was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-17**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A CHARITY FUNDRAISER  
ON THE EAST BANK GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Katie Peterson, representing the American Cancer Society, requesting permission for amplification during a charity fundraiser on Saturday, October 25, 2008, 7:00 am – 1:00 pm, on the East Bank Greenway was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-18**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FUNDRAISING WALK  
IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Kate Nelson, representing the Alzheimer's Association, requesting permission for amplification during a fundraising walk on Saturday, October 25, 2008, 9:00 – 11:00 am, in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-19**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING THE DUCK RACE DOWN THE RIVER IN RIVERFRONT PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2008**

An application submitted by Mr. Bob Jacobs, representing the Boys and Girls Club of Middle Tennessee, requesting permission for amplification during the ***Duck Race down the River*** on Saturday, October 25, 2008, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, in Riverfront Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-20**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF PEACHES ENTERTAINMENT FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A MUSICAL EVENT AT THE EVENT SHELTER IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Peaches Stuart, representing Peaches Entertainment, requesting permission for amplification during a musical event on Saturday, October 25, 2008, 6:00 – 9:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**09-08-21**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING THE MAD HATTER EVENT AT THE PARTHENON IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2008**

An application submitted by Ms. Martha Farabee, representing the Sexual Assault Center, requesting permission for amplification during the Mad Hatter event on Saturday, September 13, 2008, 7:00 pm – 12:00 am, at the Parthenon and surrounding greenspace was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**09-08-22**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO TEAM SAGE PRODUCTIONS FOR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND AMPLIFICATION DURING AN URBAN ADVENTURE RACE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2008 IN HALL OF FAME PARK**

An application submitted by Team Sage Productions requesting permission for alcohol consumption and amplification during an Urban Adventure Race on Saturday, September 6, 2008, 6:00 am – 5:00 pm, in Hall of Fame Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel and permission for the consumption of alcoholic beverages, as per Metro Ordinance, contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

**X. NEW BUSINESS:**

**09-08-23**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE FRIENDS OF BEAMAN PARK TO PROCEED WITH FUNDRAISING EFFORTS TO BENEFIT THE BEAMAN PARK NATURE CENTER**

Ms. Nancy Dorman, representing Friends of Beaman Park, was present to request approval to proceed with fundraising efforts to purchase a new entrance sign for the Beaman Park Nature Center from the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Board approved the request of the Friends of Beaman Park to proceed fundraising efforts to purchase a new entrance sign for the Beaman Park Nature Center with the stipulation that all signage be approved by staff and/or the board.

The board also congratulated the Friends of Beaman Park upon receiving an \$85,000 grant from the Recreation Trails Program. The proposed multi-use trails to be added near the Nature Center with deck platforms and interpretive signage will be a welcome addition to Beaman Park.

**X. NEW BUSINESS:**

**09-08-24**

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST OF THE METRO NASHVILLE SOFTBALL  
ASSOCIATION FOR WAIVER OF FIELD USAGE FEES  
DURING THE 2008 METRO NASHVILLE CLASSIC**

Mr. Shane Yocom, Assistant Commissioner for the Metro Nashville Softball Association, was present to request waiver of field usage fees from the board during the 2008 Metro Nashville Classic, September 20-21, 2008, at Cedar Hill and Cane Ridge Parks.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Davis Samuels, the board denied this request as it does not meet criteria of the following park policy and would be precedent setting to other groups.

**3000. 28 FEE WAIVERS AND REDUCTIONS**

- A. The Park Board will consider a request for fee waiver only if the activity, program, or event:
1. The event, program, or activity must be sponsored by or organized for the exclusive benefit of a department, agency, or entity of the Metropolitan Government other than the Board of Parks and Recreation; or
  2. The event, program, or activity must be sponsored by or organized for a not-for-profit entity and the net proceeds derived from such event, program, or activity must be devoted to the exclusive benefit of the Metropolitan Government. Evidence of not-for-profit status, which may include but is not limited to, certification and/or registration by or with the **Charitable Solicitations Division of the State of Tennessee** and or the **United States Department of Internal Revenue**, must be submitted with the application for fee waiver; or
  3. The event, program, or activity must demonstrably benefit the Department of Parks and Recreation as may be determined by the Director.
- B. The Assistant Director of Special Services, with the approval of the Director, is authorized to establish reduced rates and/or specials for revenue producing facilities when excess capacity exists, market conditions warrant and/or to promote the facilities to various users. Such activities shall be periodically reported to the Board.

**X. NEW BUSINESS:**

**09-08-25**

**BOARD ACCEPTS GRANT TO FUND ONE FULL TIME POSITION**  
**FROM THE YOUTH LIFE LEARNING CENTERS**

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Davis Samuels, the Board accepted a grant from the Youth Life Learning Centers to fund one full time position as teacher/counselor working an average of 40 hours per week on an on-going basis with Metro Parks funding employee benefits while processing weekly timesheets and paychecks. Youth Life Learning Centers or Metro Parks may discontinue this agreement with a 30 day notice of either party.

**XI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**Community Garden Update**

Paul Widman reported that on August 20<sup>th</sup> Vanderbilt University freshmen volunteered at area community gardens.

Local food festival will be held at the Shelby Bottoms Nature Center, 8:00 am – 12:00 noon, on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Miracle League Update**

Curt Garrigan reported that Metro Purchasing has released funds for the planning/construction of this field.

**Park Watch/Trail Watch Program – no report**

**Park/School Wellness Program – no report**

**XII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – no report**

**XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Wilson thanked everyone for their concern regarding his recent medical procedure and announced that he will be back in the office full time on September 10, 2008.

Celebration of Cultures, sponsored by Scarritt Bennett and Metro Parks, will be held on Saturday, October 4, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, in Centennial Park.

Because of the numerous requests to host events in conjunction with the Presidential Debate on October 7th on the Belmont Campus; the Board upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter granted Mr. Wilson the authority to approve or disapprove such requests.

**XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Fossick asked board members if they would be in agreement to schedule the sub-committee meetings one hour before board meetings and so that if a committee member cannot be present, Mr. Fossick as board chair will appoint someone to attend in their absence. All board members in attendance were in agreement.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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**Mr. Roy E. Wilson, Director**

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**Mr. Stan Fossick, Chairperson**