

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2007**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 at 1:30 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Ms. Susan Jones, Mr. Lamont Carter, Mr. Stan Fossick, Justice A. A. Birch Jr., Mr. James Lawson, and Ms. Karen Johnson.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. Curt Garrigan, Assistant Director of Planning and Facilities Development; Mr. James Gray/Finance and Administration; Mr. Mike Bays/Consolidated Maintenance; Mr. Tommy Lynch/Special Services; Mr. Paul Widman/Recreation; Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent of Community Affairs; Mr. Bob Parrish, Resource Management; Ms. Shain Dennison, Superintendent of Greenways and Lt. George Mitchell, Park Police.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 5, 2006 APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, December 5, 2006.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

01-06-02

BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF BELMONT UNIVERSITY TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP WITH METRO PARKS FOR RENOVATION AND USE OF THE E.S. ROSE PARK ATHLETIC FACILITIES

The Metro Park Board deferred request of Dr. Robert Fisher, President of Belmont University, to enter into a partnership with Metro Parks for renovation and use of the E. S. Rose Park athletic facilities for one board meeting. Mr. Lawson, representing the Park Board will host a community wide meeting to present findings only, no recommendations will be made at this meeting. Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 18th at 6:00 pm at Easley Center in E. S. Rose Park.

06-06-21

BOARD REFERS REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE GREER TO RENAME THE SEVIER PARK COMMUNITY CENTER IN HONOR OF MR. EDWARD M. MULLINS, JR. TO THE NAMING COMMITTEE

Correspondence submitted by Councilmember Ronnie Greer requesting the Board to rename the Sevier Park Community Center located in Council District 17 in honor of former park employee, Mr. Edward M. Mullins, Jr., was presented to the Board

The Board unanimously referred this request to committee for report at the February board meeting. Committee appointed by Ms. Susan Jones, chair of the Board is composed of Lamont Carter, chair; Ed Kindall; and Stan Fossick.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

06-06-22

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER MIKE JAMESON
TO NAME THE NEW EAST PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
OR ANOTHER APPROPRIATE BUILDING IN EAST PARK
IN HONOR OF MR. CHARLIE WILLIAMS**

Correspondence from Councilmember Mike Jameson and Metropolitan Council Resolution No. RS2006-1326 was presented to the Board requesting them to name the new East Park Community Center, or another appropriate building in the park, in honor of Charlie Williams, a prominent East Nashvillian and attorney.

The Board unanimously referred this request to committee for report at the February board meeting. Committee appointed by Ms. Susan Jones, chair of the Board is composed of Lamont Carter, chair; Ed Kindall; and Stan Fossick.

10-06-10

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER ERIK COLE
TO DEDICATE A PARK BENCH OR OTHER APPROPRIATE MEMORIAL IN
MEMORY OF DRAKE HOLLIDAY, A LONGTIME NASHVILLE LEGAL AID LAWYER
AT PUBLIC SQUARE**

Correspondence representing Councilmember Erik Cole requesting permission to dedicate a park bench or other appropriate memorial in memory of Drake Holliday, a longtime Nashville legal aid lawyer, at Public Square was presented to the Board.

The Board unanimously deferred this request until policy for Public Square is established and approved by the Board.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

01-07-01

**BOARDS GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS TO HOST
FIVE FULL MOON PICKIN' PARTIES; SUNDAY IN THE PARK; SPRING SPREE
INCLUDING THE BIKE TOUR AND THE CHILDREN'S PICNIC/HOUND DOG
PARTY; AND A GOLF SCRAMBLE IN WARNER PARK DURING 2007**

Ms. Eleanor Willis, Executive Director of the Friends of Warner Parks, was present to request permission from the Board to host the following events in Warner Park with waiver of usage fees, alcohol consumption and to remain in park after 11:00 pm for evening events:

Spring Spree

Bike Tour	Saturday, March 31, 2007
Children's Picnic	Saturday, April 14, 2007
Hound Dog Party	Saturday, April 21, 2007

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

01-07-01 (con't.)

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Full Moon Pickin' Parties	Friday, May 4, 2007 Friday, June 29, 2007 Friday, July 27, 2007 Friday, August 31, 2007 Friday, September 28, 2007
FOWP Golf Scramble @ Harpeth Hills	undetermined date in the fall
Sunday in the Park	undetermined date in October

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board unanimously approved request to host the Friends of Warner Parks Golf Scramble at Harpeth Hills Golf Course with waiver of one-half greens fee as it meets the required criteria established by the Board in May 2002 and the "**Sunday in the Park**" fundraiser on a yet to be determined date in October 2007 at Ridge Field in Edwin Warner Park with waiver of all usage fees with permission to consume alcoholic beverages.

Approval was also granted FOWP to host the **Spring Spree Bike Tour** on Saturday, March 31, 2007; **Children's Picnic** on Saturday, April 14, 2007; **Hound Dog Party** on Saturday, April 21, 2007 and five **Full Moon Pickin' Parties** to be held on the following Fridays, May 4, June 29, July 27, August 31, September 28, 2007 in Warner Park with waiver of usage fees and permission to serve alcoholic beverages in a restricted area and to remain in the park after 11:00 pm.

All events involving alcohol are contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

01-07-02

BOARD APPROVES PACKAGE OF GRANTS TOTALING \$141,488.00 FROM THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS

Ms. Eleanor Willis, Executive Director of Friends of Warner Parks, appeared before the Board requesting acceptance of a package of grants totaling \$141,488.00 to continue funding staff positions in the Warner Parks.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board unanimously approved this request effective calendar year January 1 through December 31, 2007.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

01-07-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE MIDDLE TENNESSEE PONY CLUB
FOR USAGE FEE WAIVER FOR THE
55th RUNNING OF THE MTPC HORSE TRIALS AND 2007 USAGE FEES**

Correspondence from Mr. Thomas Moore, District Commissioner of the Middle Tennessee Pony Club, requesting waiver of fees for the 55th running of the MTPC Horse Trials held at the Equestrian Center of Percy Warner Park and 2007 usage fees was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, and accordance with park policy **3000.28 Fee Waivers and Reductions**, the Board approved this request because of the improvements and ongoing maintenance provided the Warner Park Equestrian Area by the Middle Tennessee Pony Club.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

01-07-04

**APPROVAL OF ART PROPOSAL TO BE INTEGRATED ON THE PUBLIC SQUARE
REFERRED TO PUBLIC SQUARE COMMITTEE FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Ms. Sandra Duncan, representing the Metro Arts Commission, was present to request approval from the Board of an art proposal to be integrated on the Public Square. Susan Jones, Chair of the Board referred this request to the Public Square Committee for recommendation.

Ms. Duncan reported that The Public Square public art project is the city's second project under the "Percent for the Arts" ordinance that was adopted by Metro Council in 2000. Eight semi-finalists were selected from a pool of 171 artists from across the United States who responded to Metro Arts' Call to Artists issued in March 2006. The scope includes two separate projects for the new downtown Public Square, a four-acre park adjacent to the newly renovated Metro Courthouse.

Upon recommendation by Metro Arts' Public Art Committee, Ken Rowe and Thomas Sayre were the artists selected for Metro Arts' second public art project. Rowe, a Nashville sculptor, was selected from a group of four semi-finalist Tennessee artists for a dispersed public art project. Sayre, of Raleigh, NC, was selected from a group of four semi-finalists from around the nation for a project to focus on two courtyards at the southern edge of the Public Square.

Rowe's concept proposal, titled Discovery and Exploration, consists of three bronze artworks that are approximately one-third human scale. The three representational sculptures, to be called The Spark of Discovery, The Scholar, and To the Moon, will be dispersed around the Public Square site.

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01-07-04(con't.)

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Sayre's proposal includes a series of terrazzo artworks that incorporate kinetic and water elements, giving the Square's southern edge courtyards different but complementary personalities based on the theme of "a day in Nashville." For the east courtyard, Sayre's proposal includes four different arrangements of highly crafted terrazzo sculptures, each surrounding a wind-operated spire that will cavort with the wind and present a polished stainless steel surface to the sky in infinite variations. The kinetic elements take their inspiration from the cranes that once moved around along the working river on the East Bank. In the west courtyard, Sayre's proposal calls for another set of four different terrazzo sculpture arrangements. In what may appear to be random times, Sayre has proposed for the sculptures to emit a soft cloud of water fog which will gently loft across the reflecting pool. The fog element will be enhanced with an LED light feature, creating a strong night presence.

Metro has allocated approximately \$350,000 for the total of the Public Square project to be funded by Nashville's "Percent for the Arts" program.

01-07-05

**BOARD APPROVES APPLICATION AND ULTIMATE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000 FROM THE TENNESSEE ARTS COMMISSION
TO SUPPLEMENT THE SECOND YEAR OF FREE BIG BAND DANCES
FOR THE PUBLIC**

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the board approved application and ultimate acceptance of this grant submitted by the Recreation, Cultural and Wellness Division.

01-07-06

**BOARD APPROVES APPLICATION AND ULTIMATE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FROM THE TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES
AGENCY TO SUPPLEMENT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SHOREBIRD POND
AND WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE IN SHELBY BOTTOMS**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Fossick, the board approved application and ultimate acceptance of this grant as submitted by the Greenways Division. TWRA as requested acknowledgement of their agency on the Shelby Landing of the Pedestrian Bridge at a designated "you are here" sign.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

01-07-07

**BOARD APPROVES AMENDMENT OF CERTAIN FEES
WITHIN THE CURRENT FEE STRUCTURE**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter the Board granted approval to the request to amend certain fees within the current fee structure as follows:

4000.2 SPORTSPLEX

II. ICE USAGE

E. Practice Ice (patch, freestyle, pair, dance, open)

	<u>resident</u>	<u>non-resident</u>
Walk on.	\$ 8.00/session 9.00/session	\$ 9.00/session 10.00/session

IV. CAULKINS POOL USAGE

A. 50 Meter Pool. Non NAC	\$180.00/hr	\$198.00
	NAC \$120.00 NAC \$110.00/hr	\$121.00 \$131.00
B. 25 Yard Pool Non NAC	\$72.00/hr	\$ 80.00
(8 lanes across)	NAC \$48.00 NAC \$44.00/hr	\$ 49.00 \$ 53.00

4000.4 WAVE COUNTRY FEES

Admissions:

Adults: ~~\$8.00~~ — ~~\$10.00~~

Children ~~\$7.00~~ — ~~\$8.00~~
(4 and under free)

Senior Citizens ~~\$7.00~~ (62 and over) **\$8.00**

Float Usage: \$2.00 each

	<u>resident</u>	<u>non-resident</u>
Season Passes: Adult	\$100.00 \$75.00	\$133.00 \$82.50
Child (12 and under)	\$86.50 \$65.00	

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

01-07-07(con't.)

**BOARD APPROVES AMENDMENT OF CERTAIN FEES
WITHIN THE CURRENT FEE STRUCTURE**

4000.5 SAILBOAT MARINA FEES

	<u>resident</u>	<u>non-resident</u>
Overnight dockage /daily launching fee	\$7.00 \$6.00	\$ 8.00 \$7.00

NEW FEE

MSD Pumpout Fee (no charge to slip renters)	\$5.00	\$ 6.00
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4000.7 ATHLETIC FEES:

ADULT SOCCER FIELD USAGE FEE:

Resident **\$50.00** \$25.00 permit fee per month, per season, per field, plus \$40.00 per team.

Non-resident **\$55.00** \$27.50 permit fee per month, per season, per field, plus \$44.00 per team.

Tournament and clinic fees. . . \$50.00 per day per field

	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-resident</u>
NEW FEES Youth, per team	\$10.00	\$15.00
Adult, per team	\$20.00	\$25.00

4000.20 BERTHING LICENSES

RIVERFRONT PARK AND EASTBANK GREENWAY

I. Routine/Commercial License -

Riverfront - Long term (Greater than 4 hours or per day)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

01-07-07(con't.)

**BOARD APPROVES AMENDMENT OF CERTAIN FEES
WITHIN THE CURRENT FEE STRUCTURE**

4000.20 BERTHING LICENSES

RIVERFRONT PARK AND EASTBANK GREENWAY

Resident: \$20.00 minimum plus \$0.50 per foot over 20 feet
Non-Resident: \$25.00 minimum plus \$0.50 per foot over 20 feet

Utility Charge (water/electricity)	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-resident</u>
	\$ 8.00	\$ 9.00

Riverfront - Short term (4 hours or less)

Resident: \$10.00 minimum plus \$0.25 per foot over 20 feet
Non-Resident: \$12.00 minimum plus \$0.25 per foot over 20 feet

Utility Charge (water/electricity)	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-resident</u>
	\$ 4.00	\$ 5.00

Riverfront A Dock (350 feet per day)	\$300.00	\$330.00
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Riverfront B Dock (800 feet per day)	\$500.00	\$550.00
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Eastbank Titans Dock (375 feet per day)	\$325.00	\$358.00
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IX. CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS

X. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

XI. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF

Community Garden Update

Paul Widman reported for Vera Vollbrecht. He stated that Gardens of Babylon has joined with our community garden team to increase the project adjacent to Shelby Community Center. Vera is currently working with the Girl Scouts to establish a badge in which the girls can earn. Also the Steering Committee will meet February 10, 8:30 am, at Hadley Center targeting interested organizations.

Miracle League Update

Dottie Hale reported that completion of the facility is still on target for Summer 2007.

Volunteer Ranger Program

Lt. George Mitchell reported that the program is continuing to grow and they have received requests for information on our Volunteer Ranger Program from other cities.

Park/School Wellness Program

Paul Widman reported that he has been asked to sit on the Alignment Nashville Committee with Dr. Tina Bozeman of Metro Schools and a target area they will be examining is the health and wellness of area youth.

XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Wilson distributed his monthly departmental report as well as the following listing of Metro Parks Project Tracking System:

Metro Parks Project Tracking System

1. **Youth Sports Complex:** Phase 1 is essentially complete- contractor is completing the punch list now and the fields are ready for spring play.
2. **Bell's Bend:** bridge and trailhead are complete. Phase 1 primitive trails and campsites are in place; nature center design is complete, and contractor is on board for summer 2007 completion, which will include some paved trails.
3. **Harpeth River Greenway:** Only awaiting final signage. February 1 completion.
4. **Peeler Park:** Construction started. Spring 2007 completion of Phase 1 (trail, boardwalk, trailhead, horse trails).
5. **McFerrin Center:** Scheduled completion February 8, 2007

XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (con't.)

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| 6. | East Center: | Substantial completion is expected by the end of February with final completion by the end of March. |
| 7. | Fort Negley: | Design complete; contractor under contract. Break ground February 2007. Complete July, 2007. |
| 8. | Richland Creek: | Construction underway on Phase 2 trails. May 2007 completion. |
| 9. | Downtown Greenway: | Design in final phase.
Summer 2007 construction complete. |
| 10. | Coleman: | Design complete, negotiating price with contractor.
(Complete September 2007) |
| 11. | South Inglewood: | Construction RFP at Purchasing.
Complete project fall 2007. |
| 12. | Cumberland River Bridge: | Construction underway.
September 2007 completion. |
| 13. | Nature Centers: | Bell's Bend, Shelby Bottoms and Beaman on schedule for completion July 1, 2007. |

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

Mr. Roy E. Wilson, Director

Ms. Susan Short Jones, Chairperson