

**Quality of Life Council Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, March 15, 2007

7:30 a.m.

City Hall Media Briefing Room

Members Present: Councilmember Art Hall, *Chair, District 8*
Councilmember Richard Perez, *District 4*
Councilmember Elena Guajardo, *District 7*
Councilmember Chip Haass, *District 10*

Staff Present: Pat Di Giovanni, *Deputy City Manager*; Sharon De La Garza, *Assistant City Manager*; Michael Bernard, *City Attorney*; Malcolm Matthews, *Parks & Recreation Director*; William McManus, *Police Chief*; Krystal Strong, *City Manager's Office*; Susan Spegar, *Parks & Recreation*; Lisa Lopez, *Office of the City Clerk*; Yolanda Byington, *Office of the City Clerk*; Camila Kanau, *Assistant City Attorney*; Chris Hebner, *Assistant City Attorney*; Melinda Cerda, *City Attorney's Office*; Thomas Guevara, *District 4 Staff*; Janice Prokrant, *District 8 Staff*; Brandon Smith, *Office of the City Clerk*

Others Present: Ralph Myers, *Golf Sub-Committee*; Laura Jesse, *SA Express News*; Mary Carriker, *Golf San Antonio*

Call to Order

Chairman Hall called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of the Minutes for the February 15, 2007 Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting

Councilmember Guajardo moved to approve the minutes of February 15, 2007 Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting. Councilmember Haass seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Staff update status Golf Operations and Management

Presented by Pat DiGiovanni, Deputy City Manager

Pat DiGiovanni informed the Committee that the Golf Division within the Parks & Recreation Department will become an independent division within the City organization and will report directly to the City Manager's Office. He noted that James Roschek had been hired as the temporary interim Director and that Golf Manager George Logan would transition to the Golf Division to assist Mr. Roschek. He added that Charter Board members have accepted positions on the Interim Board for the new Non-Profit, San Antonio Municipal Golf Association (SAMGA). He also added that the Interim Board has been working with City Staff in drafting the SAGMA's Articles of Incorporation and would meet to finalize the document and by-laws on March 26, 2007.

Councilmember Haass suggested that a pre-set list of questions be used to interview the SAGMA Board candidates. He noted that all candidates should receive the same interview process. Councilmember Guajardo disagreed and stated that she preferred individualized questioning. Chairman Hall stated that the Committee would explore ideas for the interview process.

3. Staff Briefing regarding deed restrictions concerning alcohol at Brackenridge
Presented by Malcolm Matthews, Parks & Recreation Director

Malcolm Matthews presented information on the consideration of the release of the deed restriction regarding the sale of alcohol at Brackenridge Golf Course. He detailed the terms of the deed restriction and noted that failure to comply would result in property ownership shifting to the University of Texas (UT).

Mr. Matthews cited a deed restriction release regarding the Britanical Gardens, another deed restricted donation from George Brackenridge, which was negotiated for a cash payment. He noted that the City pursued discussions with UT in 1998 regarding the release of the deed restriction concerning alcohol at Brackenridge Golf Course that UT evaluated at \$123,000. He stated that the City decided not to pursue that option at that time. He also cited a settlement between the City and the Conservation Society that gave the Conservation Society judicial standing regarding future uses, such as concessions, in Brackenridge Park. He noted that pursuing a deed release would involve discussions with both the UT Board of Regents and the Conservation Society.

4. Review and Recommend six At-Large Board Appointments to the Citizen Advisory Action Board (CAAB)

Presented by Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Leticia Vacek presented eleven candidates for possible appointment to the Citizen Advisory Action Board (CAAB) selected by the San Antonio Police Officers Association. She noted that the Committee would need to review and recommend six appointments to the CAAB.

Chief William McManus proposed that two additional appointees be added to the CAAB to ease the work load of the Board rotation. Chairman Hall suggested that the Committee wait one month on the outcome of Chief McManus' proposal before recommending appointments to the CAAB.

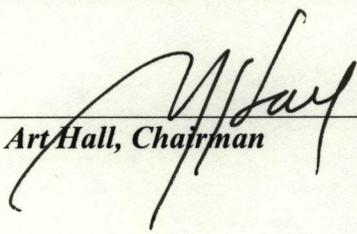
5. Monthly Status Report of Proposition 1 Program

Presented by Susan Spegar, Special Projects Manager, Proposition 1 Program

Susan Spegar presented information on the Conservation Advisory Board, the Scientific Evaluation Team GIS-Spatial Model and the Commercial Paper Program. She noted that several conservation easements were under negotiation in Medina and Uvalde County, and that two fee simple purchases have been completed in Medina County.

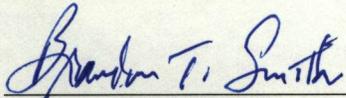
Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.



Art Hall, Chairman

Respectfully Submitted,



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Office of the City Clerk

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