

**MARFA PARKS AND RECREATION
BOARD MEETING**

OCTOBER 19, 2023

Members Present:

Trey Gerfers – Board President
Michael Camacho
Florcita Zubia
Mark Cash – Council Member
Mark Morrison – Council Member

Members Absent:

Joe Cashiola

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM

- Board President Trey Gerfers called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and established a quorum with all members present and Mr. Cashiola absent.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Shane Ghee of Skate EcoSystems, a skate park engineering firm out of Austin, presented the Board with a proposed skate park named “Marfa Skate Spot”, uniquely designed for the Marfa landscape. He explained that his company operates as a Public/Private Partnership with cities and EDC boards.
- Mr. Gerfers explained that for the board to discuss or act on this skate park proposal this item would need to be added to the next regular meeting’s agenda.

III. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

- Mr. Morrison made a motion to approve the minutes from June 15, 2023 as presented. Mr. Cash seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.
- Mr. Morrison made a motion to approve the minutes from August 16, 2023 as presented. Mr. Cash seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.

IV. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT

- Mrs. Zubia made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented. Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.

V. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE TO CREATE AND APPROVE BUDGET FOR FY 2024

- The following are figures agreed upon while creating the budget:
 - o \$18,000 - assumed interest earned.
 - o \$4,500 - Grants to Other Organizations
 - o \$10,000 – Professional Services
 - o \$65,000 – Grounds Care
 - o Capital Purchases:
 - \$200,000 – Splash Pad
 - \$200,000 – Coffield Park
 - \$3,000 – softball field scoreboard
 - \$100,000 – Shade Structure @ Sunset Park
- Mr. Cash made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 Budget. Mrs. Zubia seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.

VI. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING SPLASH PAD

- Mr. Camacho presented two quotes for the Splash Pad project. (A) SplashZone for \$150,000 and (B) Vortex for \$200,000.
 - o (A) does not include pump/water distribution.
 - o (B) includes pump and setup for the system to be connected to the park's irrigation system.
- Mr. Cash made a motion to approve the quote from Vortex System as presented by Mr. Camacho. Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.

VII. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING

TREE CARE SERVICES

- Mr. Gerfers presented several quotes he'd received from TLC (Tree Loving Care) after their visit to all of the city parks.
- Mr. Morrison made a motion to approve all estimates as presented. Mr. Cash seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.

VIII. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING SHADE STRUCTURE IN SUNSET PARK

- No update available with Mr. Cashiola being absent.
- Mr. Camacho made a motion to table this item. Mr. Cash seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor.

IX. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING COFFIELD PARK

- Mr. Morrison stated that the plumbing team has gotten to work mapping the lines and preparing for the rough-in process to begin.

X. DISCUSSION WITH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF VIZCAINO PARK

- Mr. Gerfers announced that a Commissioners Court meeting was scheduled for next week and the Vizcaino Park subject was on their agenda. He encouraged all board members to attend for the discussion-only item.
- Board members expressed possible interest in acquiring the park.
- Mr. Gerfers also noted that before any lease could even be looked at the board would need to schedule and hold a public workshop.
- No action.

XI. UPDATES CONCERNING SHADE SAIL IN TRAVIS SELF PARK

- Mr. Gerfers announced that the missing hardware has finally arrived and that he would contact Mr. Cashiola to organize a

day to install the sail.

XII. UPDATES CONCERNING NEW SCOREBOARD IN COFFIELD PARK

- Mr. Gerfers announced that Mr. Howard ran all new electrical for the new scoreboard. When the board arrived to be installed it was discovered that the original poles in place were the incorrect size and spacing. It will cost \$2,380 to remove the old poles and install new.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mr. Gerfers announced to the board that after careful consideration he has decided to resign from the board effective December 31, 2023. He also reminded the board members that they would need to add two new members to the board to fill all vacancies as well as nominate and vote for a new president of the board.

XIV. ADJOURN

- Mr. Morrison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cash seconded the motion. Motion carried. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.