

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WELLS BRANCH
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

October 11, 2007

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A special meeting of the Board of Directors of Wells Branch Municipal Utility District was held on October 11, 2007, at the Wells Branch Community Center, 2106 Klattenhoff Drive, Austin, Texas. The meeting was open to the public and notice was given as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act. A copy of the Certificate of Posting of the Notice is attached as **Exhibit "A"**.

The roll was called of the members of the Board:

Charles R. Walters	-	President
Donna Howe	-	Vice President
Janet Maxey	-	Secretary
Joy Smith	-	Treasurer
Tom Cheshire	-	Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

and all of the Directors were present, except for Director Howe, thus constituting a quorum. Also present at the meeting were Norman Tomlinson, facility manager for the District; Carroll Shelton, an elder of St. Andrews Church and a resident of the District; and Scott Ballenger, Jose San Miguel, Salvador and Nina Aguirre, Kyle Henson, Shannon Williamson, A.R. Sparks, Tehra Wieck, Karen Mappin, _____ Bekele, Rod Johnston, Lani Young, Cyd and Stephen Anderson, and Marilyn Wilson, residents of the District.

Director Walters called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and presented a history of parks development in the District and available opportunities to obtain additional funding through park grant projects. He reviewed the Owen Tech pavilion project and identified the location being dedicated to the project, the artist rendition of the project and concept plan. Discussion followed, including concerns about traffic at Wells Branch Parkway and IH-35 and parking. A suggestion was made to have support from the Sheriff's Department at large events. Director Walters suggested an exchange of property to alleviate parking concerns. Alternative locations for the project on Merriltown or Shoreline Drive were discussed, and it was noted that this would be closer to and have a greater impact on residential areas whereas the proposed site faces IH-35. Further discussion continued, including evaluating the cost of the project both with and without air conditioning, and the project timeline. The Board agreed that the target for completion would be in the Fall of 2008.

Director Walters then reviewed a summary of the trails, track and bike challenge course planned for the area under the power lines on Merriltown Drive. Discussion followed, including the fact that no lighting was being planned, the intent being that the area would be day-use only.


Residents present at the meeting supported this, noting that limiting use of the area to daylight hours would help control crime in the neighborhood. A discussion ensued regarding parking for this facility, and a suggestion was made that a small lot could be added on Merriltown and share the lot at the Community Gardens. Additional items identified for further consideration included signage for rules, dog bag stations and distance markers. A suggestion was made to determine if Hewlett-Packard would be interested in a cooperative project for the construction of restrooms and water stations for the area.

Director Walters then reviewed the plan for a natural area park proposed for the area adjacent to and between St. Andrews Church and Wells Branch Creek. Director Maxey reviewed the concept plans. The Board discussed the possibility that certain portions of the project could be performed by neighborhood groups, including the Boy Scouts, church groups and neighbors, and discussed scheduling planning sessions for resident attendance and input. Further discussion included parking, including a landscape buffer; fencing or protection from open access to Wells Branch Parkway; educational signage for natural plantings areas; and a water feature using the flow of water from the creek.

The Board then concluded by reviewing correspondence regarding park planning matters received from residents unable to attend the meeting, copies of which are attached as Exhibit "B".

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Janet Maxey, Secretary
Board of Directors

Date: 11-6-07