

2:00 to 3:30 pm WHA Offices

Attendees on July 11, 2018

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| Auggie Campbell | Robert Whittemore |
| Chris Patterson | Jessica Holoubek |
| Carmen Kumpula | Imani Forrest |
| Adam McGovern | Carol Harris |

1. **Welcome/Introductions** Chris Patterson

2. **West Houston 2060 Plan** Chris Patterson
 - a. *The committee discussed finalizing the parks layers of the 2060 maps. Forrest reported that Matt Stoops is helping create the layers for the website and Halff Associates is working on the formatting of the printed version.*
 - b. *Forrest reported that WHA is looking for photos and infographics for the print version of the 2060 Plan. The committee discussed that it would be helpful to see a mock up of the plan layout to help generate imagery ideas. Forrest reported that she will be working on getting the mock ready. Each committee will have a 2 page section with the text taking up approximately 1 page. Each committee can have 1-2 images and are looking at 1 to .5 of a page. The committee suggested using an image of Rick Rice Park to show the idea of a facility to be replicated. Another option is to get photos of the Bayou Greenway projects that have been completed. Coles Crossing was also suggested. The committee also discussed getting photos of the parks inside master planned communities such as Bridgeland and Cinco Ranch. Forrest reported that Halff Associates suggested a nighttime drone image to include. The committee discussed that they may need to go out and take some of these photos themselves.*
 - c. *Forrest asked the committee to break down what they would like to see on each layer for website the website version. The committee disussed organizing the layers based on the legend on the map. The photoshop and indesign files have already been exchanged. Patterson reported that he can connect with Stoops to get the parks layers ready.*
 - d. *The committee discussed that the reservoirs are going to be on the land use and flood controls layers. The group discussed the importance of including the Bayou Greenway and discussed adding it to a fourth layer. The committee decided that all four layers should be automatically turned on and the user can turn them off if needed. This will prevent the user from missing a layer by not knowing it exists.*
 - e. *The deadline for these images is July 23rd.*

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- f. *The 2060 Roll-Out Reception is on September 11th which is combined with WHA's usually elected officials reception. WHA will need volunteers to stand next to this committees information board and explain the map. Campbell asked the committee for any suggestions on this event.*

3. **Committee Business** Chris Patterson

- a. *Campbell reported that Beth White, Houston Parks Board, and Jill Boullion, Bayou Land Conservancy, have been working together. Campbell reported it may be beneficial for this committee to hear from them. The committee decided to ask White and Boullion to attend the September 12th meeting. If the September date does not work we can ask about the November date.*
- b. *The committee discussed any plans they want to support in the future. The committee discussed keeping updated on the Regional Conservation Plan. The committee discussed how they can be advocates. The committee discussed using the 2060 map to understand what is coming and find missing links. Another important action will be to reach out to the MUDs in our region. The committee discussed that some MUDs will be practicing good standards already. The committee discussed reaching out to them to discuss the cost, incentive and maintenance cost.*
- c. *Campbell suggested working with the Houston Parks Board community group on park standards. The committee discussed that they were not sure if they wanted to start an awards program but are interested in considering best regional practices. The group discussed the need to be careful about using the "Houston Brand" because it might not be well received elsewhere.*
- d. *The committee discussed the upcoming legislative session and that there may be a need to be on the defense for MUDs. The committee discussed connecting drainage and parks together and used for both purposes. The committee discussed incentivizing amenitized drainage projects. Tying the two together will also add to the residents quality of life.*
- e. *The committee discussed an option at an agency level rather than legislative. Using WSND funds would free up 1% of the CAP. The committee discussed that this might be the best time to use the momentum already in place. The committee discussed developers putting the projects on the reimbursement for maintenance of irrigation instead of the typical landscape & sidewalks account. This will help get the reimbursement funds quicker. The committee discussed taking this message to WHA's executive committee and AWBD for buy-in. The committee discussed wanting to discuss the idea more and think about how to move forward.*

4. **Adjourn**

2018 PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

All Meetings at WHA Offices, 2:00 pm

~~Wednesday, January 10~~

Wednesday, July 11

~~Wednesday, May 9~~

Wednesday, September 12

Wednesday, November 14