



**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
(VIRTUAL MEETING)**

**March 2, 2021
5:00 PM
MINUTES**

Attendees: Commissioner Pointer, Commissioner Baines (absent)
Staff Support: **Marty Stump**, Planning Deputy Director - Planning & Development Department; **Roger Stanton**, Capital Program Manager – Regional Parks and ZEED; **Mary Kay Henley**, Planning Administration

Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes from the February 10, 2021 meeting were approved as written.

Discussion Items

N/A

Action Item

Authorizing the Executive Director to Enter an Interlocal Agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency for their Remediation Project on the Peninsula

- This resolution authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for additional environmental remediation that is needed along the Dune Peninsula shoreline on MPT property. This agreement will provide EPA with construction access to complete the additional work. It was noted this work is being fully funded by the EPA, with no expense to Metro Parks.
- Marty showed an aerial view of the referenced area. He explained that there was erosion and vertical sloughing of rock along the Dune Peninsula's water edge prior to our project. The EPA received funding from Asarco for environmental remediation along Ruston Way, which included the Dune Peninsula. The EPA reimbursed Metro Parks for the capping and armoring during the Waterfront Phase I project.
- Roger explained that while capping the peninsula, additional exposed slag was noted. To complete this additional restoration work, the EPA needs an agreement with Metro Parks to access the site. It was noted that Metro Park's legal team was consulted on this entry agreement.
- EPA is currently permitting and is expected to start water work this summer.
- Commissioner Pointer asked about impact on park visitors. Roger noted their work won't significantly impact park visitors. Marty added that while most of the work is being performed from the water side, there will be intermittent construction traffic on land that will be managed by the contractor to minimize disruption of public use of the park.
- This item was accepted for moving forward to the full Board with a recommendation of approval.

Discussion Item

- Commissioner Pointer asked if the water work on the Dickman Mill Headsaw project was completed by the Fish Window constraints. Marty said yes, adding we are making good progress with structural foundation work nearing completion.
- Commissioner Pointer asked if the EPA is involved in the Owen Beach project. Marty said he wasn't entirely sure of their involvement in detail but was confident that if the work triggered their review it would have been done. Lots of permitting on this project with state and local agencies. Marty noted that a minor amount of soil remediation will be needed on this project as is not uncommon at projects at Pt. Defiance Park. He noted that EPA is not a funding partner for this project the way they were at Dune Peninsula. Construction is getting underway, with excavation happening this week. Visitors can still access the promenade between the boathouse and Owen Beach during construction.

Meeting Adjourned