



Parks and Recreation

Walsh Boat Landing Improvement Project

City of Austin

Parks and Recreation Department

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Meeting Overview



- Introductions
- Project Goals
- Project Background and Synopsis
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- Project Status
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- RFP – Request For Proposals
- Next Steps and Questions



Project Goals

- Improve amenities at Walsh Boat Landing
 - Boat Dock
 - ADA Access – parking
 - Comply with new regulatory codes
- Determine Management of private and commercial boat use at site
- Establish Prioritized Implementation Plan for Site and Program Improvements
- Develop Funding Strategy for Implementation of Improvements

Project Background



- 2.3 acre public park on Lake Austin since 1954
- Features
 - Boat Ramps
 - Docks/Bulkheads
 - Restroom Facilities
 - Park Setting with Mature Trees
 - Site Amenities
- Increasing Use
 - Recreational Boating
 - Commercial Boat Activity
 - Construction Access to Lakefront Properties
- 2013 LATF Report
- 2014 TPWD Grant
- 2015 Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) - HEA

Project Synopsis



Shoreline/Water Access

- November 2014
 - Focus Group Session with Individual Users and the General Public
- December 2014
 - Meeting with Commercial Users
- April 2015
 - Notice to Proceed on design of improvements (Hagood Eng.)
- May – June 2015
 - 1st Round of Temp. Permits issued
- March 2016
 - 2nd Round of Temp Permits issued
- October 2015
 - Stakeholder Meeting on Proposed Improvements
- April 2016
 - Community Stakeholder Meeting
- April – August 2016
 - Design Development
- July 2016
 - **Corp. of Engineer Permit obtained**
- August – November 2016
 - Management of Commercial use at Walsh Boat Landing determined
- January 2017
 - 60% submittal of construction documents submitted to Quality Management Control
- January 2017
 - Stakeholder Meeting to provide updates on:
 - Site Improvements
 - Request for Applications (RFA)
 - Request for Proposals (RFP)

Existing Conditions



WALSH BOAT LANDING

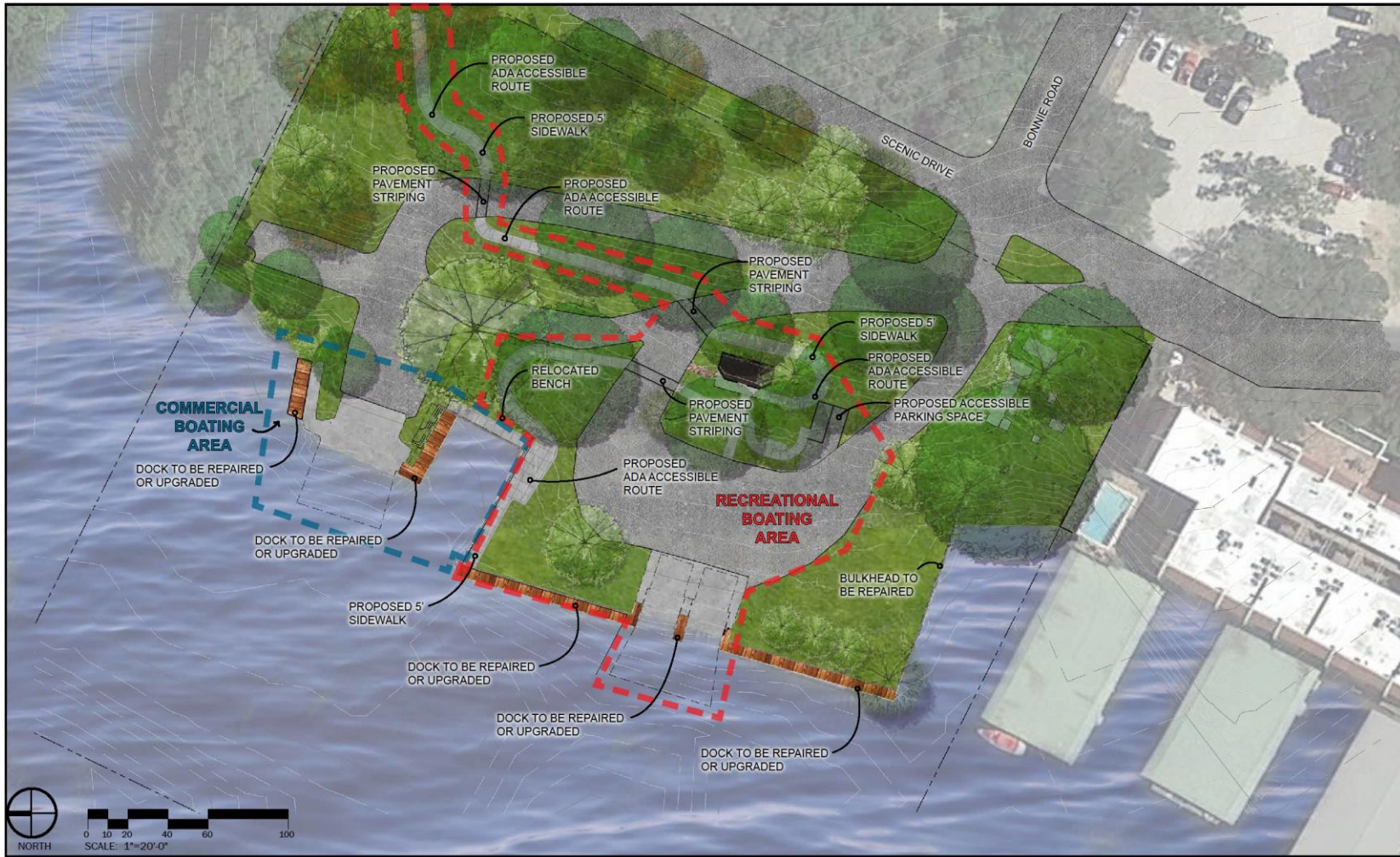
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EXISTING CONDITIONS - SITE LAYOUT

10.29.2015



Proposed Site Improvements



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UPDATED PROPOSED SITE PLAN

01-16-2017



Project Status



- 60% Complete Construction Drawings submitted to City of Austin Quality Control (QMD) in January 2017
- Minor repair work in process at dock facilities
- Submittal for Non-Consolidated Site Plan D permit is anticipated in February 2017
- Construction is anticipated in Fall 2017 / Winter 2018



Request for Applications (RFA) at Walsh Boat Landing

Purpose:

Seek applications for temporary concessions at Walsh Boat Landing from commercial boaters qualified and experienced in providing motorized boating services to the public.





Requirements:

General:

- Hours of operation: seven days per week, six-hours per day, 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Demonstrate the ability to perform in this type of business. RFA must articulate plans for commercial boating operation demonstrating compliance with laws and regulations
- Permit term: (1) six-month period with an option for (1) additional six-month permit. The City reserves the right not to award any permits. Permit starts 14 days after award

Operator:

- Minimum three years commercial boating operations experience
- Previously held a temporary concession permit for commercial boating operations at Walsh Boat Landing
- Sufficient staff w/experience, skills, training, certifications to comply with City, State, and Federal laws for fleet operations and public safety



Requirements (cont.):

Vessels:

- Vessels must be under thirty feet (30') in length
- The City will issue permits for no more than a total of fifteen (15) vessels

Insurance:

- Certificate of Insurance must name the City of Austin as an insured party
- Comprehensive general, auto, and marine liability insurance with a combined single limit of \$500,000 per occurrence
- Vehicle and statutory workers' compensation insurance may be required





RFA Timeline

- RFA Issued 1/23/17
- Last Day for Questions 2/3/17
- RFA Closing 2/13/17 1:00pm cst
- Evaluation of RFA 2/15/17-2/21/17
- Award Notification 2/22/17-2/27/17
- Permit issuance 3/6/17



Request for Proposals (RFP)- Future Commercial Use

- PARD will seek input from Commercial Stakeholders for the development of requirements for a future competitive solicitation (RFP)
- Commercial Vendor Responsibilities
 - Provide funding for improvements on existing docks
 - Design, permitting and funding of all expansion plans in the Commercial Zone
 - Operation and Management of the Commercial Zone

Future Commercial Use



Proposed Timeline -

- Requirements Development – Winter 2017
- Requirements Input-Spring 2017
 - Public
 - Contract and Concessions Committee
 - Land Facilities and Program Committee
 - Parks Board
- Solicitation- Summer 2017
- Council Approval – Fall 2017
- Contract Start – Spring 2018

Next Steps and Questions



- Construction Document submittal for QMD review and submittal for Site Development Permit – Spring 2017
- Submittal for ADA variance on proposed ADA walkway and existing restroom facility – Spring 2017
- Issuance of RFP – Summer 2017
- Final Contract Documents for Permitting, Bidding and Construction – Summer / Fall 2017
- Construction of Phase 1 Improvements – Fall 2017 / Winter 2018
- Concession Contract Begins – Spring 2018