



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: June 28, 2022

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action on combining ABLC and Parks Board including roles and responsibilities.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: N/A

FUNDS REQUESTED: N/A

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

I recommend combining ABLC and Parks board for staff and community efficiency. The Parks Board, established in 1965, overlaps in many areas with the ABLC Board formed in 2000. Since it is now 2022. It is a good time to review and eliminate many redundancies in staff and board member time and work. Really, the only function that ABLC does not do is the policy piece that Parks board does.

My recommendation is to combine ABLC and Parks board by the following method: Have the City Council pick 2-3 members from the Parks board to be additional members of ABLC Board of Directors. Parks board would be dissolved to a standby board should ABLC go away or change roles in the future. City Council should review bylaws to add these board members and add Parks policy to their tasks. City Council should review any other bylaws that are not clear to make sure that all lines and roles are clear. Such review should be overseen by the City Attorney to confirm conformity with the Texas Local Government Code, Chapters 501, 502, and 505. City Council oversight is required to assure compliance with procedures and roles in line with the City Attorney recommendations. I recommend this happen in a phased approach that doesn't overwhelm all of the normal scheduled items. I recommend staff communicate this to the public.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Council approve as presented.