BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CITY PARK
NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK
STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1960

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Albert F. Backer   (President)
Earl R. LeCorgne, Sr. (1st Vice-President)
George J. Riehl    (2nd Vice-President)
Louis J. Torre     (Treasurer)
Maurice Dufour     (Secretary)
Ellis P. Laborde   (General Manager)

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Herbert Jahncke    (Chairman)
Dr. Edwin L. Zander (Vice-Chairman)
H. Dabezies
Ed. J. deVerges
Allen H. Generes
George Grundmann
H. Edw. Heiny
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CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE
Maurice Dufour     (Chairman)
Chas. L. Rivet     (Vice-Chairman)
Allen H. Generes
Sidney J. Gonzales, Sr.
J. Garic Schoen
Louis J. Torre
Chas. E. Whitmore

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE
H. Dabezies
Louis J. Torre     (Chairman)
Wm. H. Couret
Wm. Garic
Chas. E. Whitmore

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURE
Col. Frank R. Worthington (Chairman)
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Herman Farley
Wm. Garic
Louis J. Torre
J. Garic Schoen

GOLF COMMITTEE
Fred D. Ketchum O.D. (Chairman)
H. Edw. Heiny (Vice-Chairman)
Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.
Wm. Garic
Chris Nungesser
George J. Riehl
J. Garic Schoen
Frank J. Stich, Jr.

GROUND COMMITTEE
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Louis J. Torre
F. Julius Dreyfous
Arthur Feitel
P. C. Gandolfo, Jr.
Jas. S. Janssen
Earl R. LeCorgne, Sr.
Col. Frank R. Worthington

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
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Chas. L. Rivet (Vice-Chairman)
Ernest A. Carrere
Frank J. Stich
Hugh M. Wilkinson, Sr.

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Percy H. Sitges
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STADIUM COMMITTEE
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LAGOONS COMMITTEE

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TENNIS & RECREATIONAL SPORTS COMMITTEE

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Louis J. Torre  (Vice-Chairman)
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Alfred Wellborn
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RIDING ACADEMY - Chris Nungesser  (Chairman)
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George J. Riehl
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Louis J. Torre

BOAT COMMITTEE - George J. Riehl  (Chairman)
Maurice Dufour
George Grundmann
Fred D. Ketchum O.D.

16th SEC. SCHOOL LAND -
F.C. Gandolfo, Jr.  (Chairman)
Ed. J. deVargas, Sr.
F. Julius Dreyfous
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Louis J. Torre (Treasurer)
Maurice Dufour (Secretary)
Ellis P. Laborde (General Manager)

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CONTINUED
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H. Edw. Heiny  (Chairman)
Louis J. Torre  (Vice-Chairman)
Herman Farley
Alfred Wellborn
Dr. Edwin L. Zander

SPECIAL MC PADDOX HOME COMMITTEE

Albert F. Backer  (Chairman)
Chas. L. Rivet  (Vice-Chairman)
Arthur Feitel
Allen H. Generes
Earl E. LeCorgne
George J. Riehl
RESOLUTIONS

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OTHER MATTERS

1. Ella M. Schexnaydre

Asst. Secretary of N.O. City Park Improvement Assn., do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of certain resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of said Corporation, at a meeting thereof duly called and held the 21st day of December, 1958; a quorum being present and voting, and that said resolutions have been entered upon the regular minute book of the Corporation:

RESOLVED, that the officers and agents of this corporation be and they hereby are, and each of them is, authorized to endorse and/or deposit, from time to time, any funds of this Corporation, and/or any checks, drafts, notes, or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, or other instruments or orders for the payments of money to or for account of this Corporation, with the National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans and/or any of the branches of the said Bank, and/or to cause any such funds, and/or checks, drafts, notes or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, to be transferred or paid out to or for account of this Corporation. The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans is hereby designated as a depositary of this Corporation, and the opening heretofore of any account and/or the making of any deposit or transfer or payment of any funds and/or checks, drafts, notes or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, or other instruments or orders for the payment of money to or for account of this Corporation, in said Bank or any of its branches, by the officers or agents of this Corporation, is hereby ratified, approved and confirmed. Until further orders of the Board of Directors, said officers and agents of this Corporation are, and each of them is, authorized to withdraw and/or transfer any and all moneys, funds, instruments, credits or property at any time on deposit with or held by said Bank or any of its branches in the name of, or for account of this Corporation, upon checks, drafts, letters of instructions, or other instruments or orders for the payment of money, or otherwise against the account or in the name of, or on behalf of this Corporation, and made, given or signed or endorsed by

E. P. Laborde, General Manager alone

(State number of signatures required)

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans be and it hereby is authorized and requested to accept, honor, cash and pay or transfer, without limit as to amount, with further inquiry, and until written notice of the revocation of the authority hereby granted is actually received by said Bank, all funds and/or checks, drafts, notes, or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, and other instruments and orders for the payment of money or otherwise, when drawn, made, given, signed or endorsed as by the foregoing resolution provided, whether the same be against an account standing in the name of this Corporation, or in the name of any such officer or agent of this Corporation as such, including all such instruments payable or endorsed to the order of this Corporation and/or payable or endorsed to the personal order of the officer or officers, or agent or agents, signing on behalf of the Corporation or any other officer or officers or agent or agents of this Corporation, or otherwise, whether tendered in payment of the individual obligation or deposited to the personal account of any such officer or officers or agent or agents, or otherwise.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Bank shall at all times be protected in recognizing as such officers and/or agents the persons named in certificate signed by any officer of this Corporation, even though such certificate be the certificate of one of the officers or agents who is himself authorized to act herein.

I further certify that neither of the foregoing resolutions has been modified or repealed, but that each thereof is in full force and effect.

I further certify that the following are the genuine signatures of the persons now the officers and/or agents of this Corporation, authorized to act herein, as indicated opposite their respective signatures.

Herbert Jahneke (President)

Albert P. Backer, Sr. (Vice President)

E. P. Laborde (Treasurer)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Corporation this 29th day of December, 1958.

Ella M. Schexnaydre

asst. Secretary must sign
# NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## BUDGET

### Receipts:

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*Signatures*

- Dr. Edwin L. Sander, President
- Herbert Leboeuf, Vice-President
- H. Babcock, Chairman Finance Comm.
- Louis J. Corre
- Albert F. Bache
- Mr. Courret
- Chas. J. Whitmore
- A. Laborde
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President or either Vice President, with General Manager

(Title of Office or Officers)

and Treasurer.

and be it

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Herbert Jakob
(Name)

(Seal)

Louis J. Taras
(Name)

E. P. Labord
(Name)

(Seal)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Corporation this day of December, 1958.

Asst. Secretary must sign

Ella M. Schenaydren

Asst. Secretary of the City Park Improvement Association of New Orleans.
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

January 18, 1959

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

Our 1959 City Park Improvement Association membership presently consists of (61) Life Members, (3) Honorary, and (150) Regular Members. Col. Frank Worthington paid his Life Membership dues this month.

Since the desegregation of City Park last month, the following facilities have been used by negroes.

52 Visited Storyland.
5 Hours of Bicycle Riding.
3 " Boat ".
32 " Tennis Play.
25 Buckets of balls sold at Driving Range.
76 Rounds of golf played.

Most of the negroes playing golf were strangers and seem to be from out of town. There was one racial incident which took place on Harrison Avenue where white and colored boys were involved in a fight. The desegregation of City Park received National publicity through the United Press International, Associated Press, and Times Magazine.

City Park's contract with Park Amusements Inc. for the privilege of operating mechanical rides and devices on the City Park picnic grounds is $6,000. per annum or 12½% of the gross receipts, whichever is the greater. We received two separate checks from Park Amusements Inc., one check for $6,000, to be applied to their 1959 rent, the other for $3,144.77 which in addition to the $6,000, paid in advance in January 1958, amounts to $9,144.77. This amount is a decrease of $2,801.49 from the 1957 rent but an increase of $668.08 over the 1956 rent. Mr. Batt attributes the decrease in revenue largely to the lesser number of visitors in Storyland. An unofficial record kept by Officer George Phillips who is assigned to City Park Storyland indicates that approximately 461,000 people visited Storyland during 1957 and 187,215 during 1958, a decrease of 273,785 visitors.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

Our Public Liability Insurance Agent and Safety Representative has requested that shrubs be planted on our No. 2 golf course between Wisner Boulevard and the Fairway on the 15th hole for a distance of approximately 600 ft. The purpose of the screen is to eliminate a hazardous condition on Wisner. The Park has 300 Sweet Olives averaging from 4 to 5 ft. which can be used for the screening. The Board's authorization is requested to comply with our Insurance Agency's recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Laborde, General Manager
Orleans Judge’s Funeral
Scheduled Thursday

Civil district court Judge Frank J. Stich died Tuesday at 8:40 a.m. in Bay St. Louis, Miss. He was 59.

He suffered a heart attack at his summer home in Wave-land on Friday night and was taken to the hospital for treatment.

His condition had been reported as “fair” about an hour before he died.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Thursday from the P. J. Mc-Mahon and Sons Funeral Home, Inc., 4860 Canal. Religious rites will follow at the Grace Lutheran church. Interment will be in Garden of Memories. A wake will be held at the funeral par- lour Wednesday, starting at 4 p.m.
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, January 18, 1959, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room. Mr. Herbert Jahncke, President, called the meeting to order. The following members were present constituting a quorum:

A. F. Beker
E. A. Carrere Jr.
W. H. Courte
H. Dabezies
Ed. J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
H. E. Farley
Arthur Feitel,
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George Riehl
Chas. L. Rive
J. G. Schoen
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED
G. L. Andrues
Frank J. Stich
Chas. E. Whitmore
F. R. Worthington

ABSENT
A. H. Generes
P. H. Sitges
H. M. Wilkinson

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted, on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Heiny.

The General Manager's report was read, and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Dufour moved that the matter of planting shrubs on No. 2 Golf Course between Wister Boulevard and the fairway on the 15th hole be referred to the Grounds Committee and Mr. Laberde, with power to act. Dr. Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Nungesser moved that the General Manager's report, as acted upon, be received and filed. Motion seconded and adopted.
PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Jahncke advised that he had appointed the committees for 1959; a list of these committees was given to each member. Mr. Gonzales moved that the appointment of these committees be confirmed. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Adopted.

Mr. Jahncke reported that Mrs. Charles Keller and Harvey Kern, (a colored man) representing the Urban League, had been working with him at the park to offer their services in easing the integration situation, had asked that a committee from this Board meet with them, and he had promised to bring the matter to the Board and give them a reply. Mr. Jahncke feels that a committee composed of Past Presidents of the Board - the Advisory Committee - could best assume this responsibility.

Mr. de Verges feels that since the President made a commitment the Advisory Committee should meet these people and tell them that this Board will abide strictly by the dictates of the Supreme Court's judgment. Mr. Carrere feels that the Advisory Committee should tell them that it is the attitude of the whole board that it is fully able to cope with its problems and when advice is needed it will get it.

After general discussion, Mr. Nungesser moved that the Advisory Committee be appointed by the President to meet these problems when presented, use their own judgment in handling them, and bring back to the Board when they come up. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Rivet asked to be recorded as voting no as the motion is not clear as he does not know if the Advisory Committee has authority to answer questions, and if they do, he objects unless the Board has given this authority. Mr. Court voted no as he feels a letter should be written to the Urban League advising that we will continue to follow the dictates of the Supreme Court without further explanation.

Mr. Jahncke also reported that he had received several letters from Jack Ricau, Executive Director of the South Louisiana Citizens Council (two of which he asked the Assistant Secretary to read) objecting violently to integration in the park and sending a questionnaire. Mr. Jahncke feels that we are obligated to reply to these letters.

Mr. de Verges moved that the matter be referred to the Advisory Committee, Past Presidents of this Board, and let them handle the situation with the understanding that no action be taken without reporting to the Board, and that the Advisory Committee consult with the Legal Committee before recommendations are made to the Board. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

VICE PRESIDENTS - no report.

TREASURER - Mr. Torre reported everything in order.

SECRETARY - no report.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE- no report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE- Mr. Dabezies reported finances in good shape. In spite of the fact that the City cut our appropriation $13,300 last year, we have a working balance of $6,200, and Mr. Batt's check of $9,100 will take care of us.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE- no report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE- Mr. Dafour recommended that the concerts be transferred from the stadium to the bandstand, that pictures be done away with, and that we pay for 7 or 8 concerts instead of 12. There is need for 100 benches at a cost of $15; a bench, which could be paid for by the money saved from the pictures, and with the money saved on bands a speaker could be purchased for the platform. Dr. Ketchum moved that the concerts be moved to the bandstand, and that expenditure for the band, a speaker and benches recommended by the Concessions and Entertainment Committee be approved in amounts not exceeding their appropriation. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Riehl objected to bringing the platform to the bandstand.

Mr. Dabezies moved that the formal opening of the park be held Festival May 24, 1959. Mr. Backer seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried 14 to 7. Mr. Dabezies moved that Mr. Mungesser be appointed Chairman of the Festival. Motion seconded and adopted. Mr. Laborde advised that Judge Stich does not find it necessary to invite the whole board for the opening.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE - Mr. LeCorgne reported that the greenhouse is 80% complete and park men have done a good job; 250 rose bushes will be planted within a week.

GOLF COMMITTEE - Dr. Ketchum reported golf getting along well. He invited the Board members to a golf exhibition by Paul Hahn on January 28 at 7 p.m. at the driving range.

Dr. Ketchum moved that the President request from the City of New Orleans minimum of $50,000 from the capital budget for comfort stations in the park, the location to be decided by the Golf Committee, the Grounds Committee and the General Manager. Mr. LeCorgne seconded the motion. Put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Ketchum advised that the rules of the golf course will be enforced and no one will be allowed to play without a ticket and a bag.

GROUND COMMITTEE- no report.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE- Mr. Grundmann will devote much time this year, and use pressure, to have Bayou St. John cleared.
LEGAL COMMITTEE - Mr. de Verges reported that in view of prevailing circumstances, although the extension of the Batt lease had expired, he had authorized the continuance of it, even though not provided by the lease, as the money is needed at this time and it is too late to advertise. Mr. Gonzales moved that the action of Mr. de Verges be ratified. Mr. Couret seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - no meeting was held.

STADIUM COMMITTEE - On recommendation of the Stadium Committee, Mr. Nungesser moved that we grant request for the use of the stadium area parking lot or Roosevelt Mall for the Roy Rogers Parade, in connection with the March of Dimes.

TENNIS COMMITTEE - Mr. Heiny reported the courts in excellent condition, and the play good.

McFADDEN HOUSE COMMITTEE - Mr. Backer reported that the Committee received numerous suggestions and that the New Orleans Athletic Club proposition seems to be the most favorable. This Club has been given tentative ideas on which to work.

Mr. Backer read a full report of the Committee's recommendations.

Mr. de Verges moved that a copy of the stipulations of the McFadden House Committee be sent to Dr. J. R. Bond, who proposes to organize a club for Lake Vista. Mr. Torre seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

F. & F. Concession Co. - The Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Mr. Wm. Fitzpatrick, F. & F. Concession Co., asking permission to adjust prices of drinks. Mr. de Verges moved that his request be granted, except that the sale of bottle drinks in the park not be discontinued. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Congratulations were extended to the President on his birthday and to Messrs. Jahnecke and Generes, new directors of the National American Bank.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05.
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

There were several racial incidents in the park last month ranging from fist fights to windshield breaking. Immediately after these racial disturbances, I met with Mr. Joseph Giarrusso, Deputy Superintendent of Police, and requested that additional police be detailed in the park to assist our park police in maintaining law and order. Mr. Giarrusso was most cooperative and immediately assigned five policemen in the park during week days and ten policemen on weekends. Fewer negroes are now coming into the park and there were no racial incidents within the past three weeks.

Funds for the construction of additional rest room facilities has again been requested from the City. Mr. David R. McGuire, Chief Administrative Officer for the City of New Orleans informed me that City Officials were deeply concerned with the effects of integration in City Park, and that funds would be available for the construction of additional rest room facilities within the next few weeks.

Roy Rogers "March of Dimes" parade held on the Roosevelt Mall was well attended, an estimated crowd of 15,000 people saw or participated in the parade.

The Paul Hahn Golf Trick Shot Exhibition held at the Driving Range in City Park recently was also a popular event.

As authorized by the Park Board, we advertised for two separate Orchestras to play in City Park. Each Orchestra to play for four consecutive concerts during the summer months. We received six bids which we submit for the Board's consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

E L. Laborde, General Manager

EPL/1h
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, February 15, 1959, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room. In the absence of Mr. Jahncke, Mr. Backer, First Vice President, acted as Chairman; the following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mr. A. F. Backer Sr. and

Messrs. Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Herman E. Farley
Arthur Feitel
Wm. M. Garic
S. J. Gonzales
Geo. Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
James S. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
Earl R. LeCorgne
J. C. Mungesser
Geo. Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. Garic Schoen
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
E. A. Zander
F. R. Worthington

EXCUSED
G. L. Andrus
Herbert Jahncke
Frank J. Stich

ABSENT
Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.
A. H. Generes
P. H. Sitges
C. E. Whitmore
H. M. Wilkinson
Mr. Backer advised that Mayor Morrison had addressed a letter to the Board with reference to the Pelicans and asked that the order of business be transposed to have the letter read before the Mayor and then the Pelican Manager appeared before the Board. The Assistant Secretary read the Mayor's letter which was referred to the Legal and Stadium Committees.

Mayor Morrison and Mr. Mel Parnell were invited to come to the meeting. The Mayor asked that the Pelican lease be renewed at a $10,000. rental, payable in advance, on the same terms and conditions as last year. He emphasized that the Pelicans bring more income to the park than all other stadium activities together, that he has ascertained that the neighbors have not been inconvenienced, and expressed the hope that the lease could be renewed without re-advertising. Mr. de Verges was to look into the matter and advise the Mayor if re-advertising was necessary.

Mayor Morrison asked that the park invest a little money to buy cinders for the track. He and Mr. Parnell thanked the Board and left the meeting.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the January meeting. Mr. de Verges moved that the minutes be adopted after making the following change " specifications of the McFadden House had been sent to Dr. Bond, but also to other applicants." Motion seconded by Mr. Dabezies. Adopted.

The General Manager's report was read, ordered received and filed.

The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:

Letter from W. W. McDougall, Director of Personnel, State of Louisiana, Department of Civil Service, advising that an audit of recent payroll of the park reflects full compliance with Civil Service authorizations.

Letter from Lt. Colonel Paul C. Davis, Reserve Officers' Training Corps, Texas College of Arts & Sciences, thanking for courtesies extended his personnel when in New Orleans participating in Carnival parades.

Mr. de Verges asked that he be excused from serving on the Legal Committee on the Pelican matter, as he had worked out the details with the Pelicans last year, in accordance with the wishes of the Board, and after spending weeks on the matter what he did was overruled by the Board. He asked that the matter be referred to a particular member of the Legal Committee. Mr. Rivet asked to be excused for the same reason.
Mr. Dabezies moved that the Board approve leasing the stadium to the Pelicans for not less than $10,000., payable in advance, the details to be worked out by the Stadium Committee and a representative of the Legal Committee. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried 17 to 3. Mr. de Verges asked to be recorded as not voting. Mr. Couret voted no, as he believes the Board should not supersede the Legal Committee.

Mr. Rivet asked to be recorded as voting no since the stadium was leased to the Pelicans last year against the opinion of the Legal Committee; it was leased on a trial basis and it was a failure. The Board received $11,000. rental and later in the year the park appropriation was cut exactly $11,000.

The Chairman designated Mr. Carrere to represent the Legal Committee on the Pelican matter.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
Dr. Zander reported that a meeting of this committee was held on January 22 at which the president had been authorized to appoint a committee of three board members to meet with the Urban League and report back to the Board, and that the President had appointed Dr. Zander, Mr. de Verges and Dr. Ketchum to serve on the committee.

The questionnaire received from the Citizens Council had been sent to each member of the Advisory Committee, with the request that it be reviewed and that such questions be prepared by each member as he saw fit and mailed to Mr. de Verges within a week so that he could prepare a letter for the President's signature.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
No report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dufour reported that the bands of Jay Zainey and Johnny Repak had been engaged for the concerts and the money saved on the bands will offset other expenses incurred.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies reported all bills paid; funds are low but we are able to get along, thanks to the Batt check.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Mr. Le Corgne showed a picture of the greenhouse. Dr. Ketchum moved that a vote of thanks be given him, his committee and the management for their efforts in connection with the green house. Mr. Couret seconded the motion.

Mr. Laborde requested that an additional $1,000. be invested for the completion of the greenhouse, should the Pelican lease go through. Mr. Grundmann moved that this request be granted, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee.
Mr. LeCorgne reported that about 600 feet of shrubs planted along Wisner Boulevard were raised on Nursery Island. He invited the Board to attend the Camellia Show at McMain Auditorium, where City Park has about 500 blooms.

GOLF COMMITTEE.
Dr. Ketchum reported that in spite of bad weather, January and February receipts were ahead of last year's receipts, and last year was our banner year. About 110 golfers are turned away each week end. We have on hand from the Golf Improvement Fund $4,586.43 and $15,840.92, in the Golf Course Fund. We will have a substantial amount to start the new golf course. Next month the N. O. Open Golf Tournament will be held and bring professionals from all over the country. Dr. Ketchum invited all Board members to attend and gave them badges and stickers for their cars.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Backer reported that at the last meeting all Committee members had been invited to look at the lay-out of the third golf course. There has been no meeting of the Planning Committee as this committee waited for the Golf Committee to agree on a plan and present it. As soon as a decision is reached by the Golf Committee, the Planning Committee will meet and then make a report to the Board.

GROUND COMMITTEE.
Mr. Riehl submitted the following to the Board:

1. About 600 feet of shrubbery were planted at the fifteenth hole.

2. After analysis, the Grounds Committee finds that additional parking is not possible at the triangular piece of ground which lies between the Casino and the tennis courts, and that the bronze statue from the McFadden grounds cannot be used there. It is recommended that a moderate size luminous fountain be placed there, at an approximate cost of $3,500, which, it is felt, would be defrayed by two donors.

Dr. Ketchum moved that the recommendation of the Grounds Committee be accepted for the erection of this fountain, at no cost to the board. Motion seconded by Mr. Grundmann, put to a vote and carried. Mr. Dreyfous voted no on account of location.

3. It is recommended that the bronze statue removed from the McFadden grounds be placed on the small island at City Park Bronze Avenue and Carrollton Avenue. Mr. Grundmann moved that the recommendation be accepted. Mr. Feitel seconded the motion.

4. It is recommended that six additional comfort stations be erected in the park, if and when funds are available, and Mr. Riehl showed the location of these proposed small buildings on a map prepared by him. Mr. Dreyfous moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion.
5. Mr. Riehl showed on the map the location of the 16th section. It has come to the attention of the Grounds Committee that the School Board is contemplating the erection of a school in the park, but that instead of locating this school in the 16th section, they would prefer an area near the research center.

A copy of the map prepared by Mr. Riehl is attached to these minutes. The Chairman complimented Mr. Riehl on his fine work and a vote of thanks was given him by the Board.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Grandmann will contact the residents of Bayou St. John individually to organize to keep Bayou St. John clean.

LEGAL COMMITTEE
Mr. de Verges reported that he had not prepared the letter to the Citizens Council because all members had not mailed him the answers to the questionnaire. The meeting of the Urban League has not yet been held.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE. Mr. Laborde reported the usual amount of publicity.

STADIUM COMMITTEE.
The Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Xavier University requesting the use of the stadium for a football game in 1959. Mr. Laborde reported that Judge Stich recommends that a date be made available, provided the rental is $350. (the rate charged to universities) and provided it is a night game.

SPECIAL McFADDEN HOUSE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Backer reported considerable activity, but nothing definite to report. Specifications of the Board for renting to the N.O. Athletic Club were submitted to them, and the matters in the hands of their Legal Committee, but the prospects do not look too bright. Both the N. O. A. C. and the F. & F. Concessions Co. are concerned about the negro question and the sale of liquor.

Mr. Backer asked that a letter be written to the Attorney General as to the right to lease the McFadden House to a private enterprise; Mr. de Verges will write the letter.

Traffic Signal The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Mr. John F. Exnicious, Assistant Traffic Engineer, City of New Orleans, asking permission to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Marconi and Harrison Avenue. Mr. Dreyfous moved that this permission be granted. Motion seconded by Mr. de Verges and adopted.

Mr. de Verges suggested that Mr. Laborde endeavor to get a traffic signal at City Park Avenue and Carrollton Avenue.
Mr. Garie suggested that the General Manager be authorized to remove some trees in the area between Marconi Drive and the stadium to provide additional picnic grounds. Mr. Feitel moved that this matter be referred to the Grounds Committee. Mr. Wellborn seconded the motion. Adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 12.20.

[Signature]

Assistant Secretary
A meeting of the City Park Planning & Development Committee was held in Room "A" Roosevelt Hotel on Thursday, February 26, 1959. The following members constituting a quorum were present.

Messrs. Albert F. Backer
Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.
F. Julius Dreyfous
Arthur Feitel
Jas. S. Janssen
George Riehl
Dr. Fred D. Ketchum (by invitation)
Wm. S. Wiedorn (""
Ellis Laborde (""

Dr. Ketchum made an explanation in detail on a revised plan for the proposed third golf course in City Park, and also reported the following:

(a) $16,744.67 had been contributed by the Park golfers since June 1, 1958.

(b) The Golf Committee was submitting a good inexpensive plan on the proposed 18-hole golf course. Work on the first nine holes could be started almost immediately after final approval. It is estimated that with favorable weather and the availability of funds, the first nine holes could be completed within 18 to 24 months. Only two holes would have to be built in wooded area immediately north of Harrison Avenue paralleling Wisner Blvd.

Mr. Dreyfous said he would approve the plan submitted by Dr. Ketchum with minor modifications; these modifications were approved by the Planning Committee, Dr. Ketchum, and Mr. Wiedorn.

Mr. Feitel suggested the golf parking area be screened with trees or shrubs.

Mr. Dreyfous suggested that Mr. Wiedorn make necessary corrections on the revised golf plan for submission to the Park Board and also submit to the Chairman of the Planning & Development Committee an approximate cost for his services to prepare plans in detail for the construction of the proposed golf course.

Chairman Backer asked Dr. Ketchum and Mr. Wiedorn to excuse themselves to allow the Planning Committee to discuss every phase of the plan. After the plan had been thoroughly discussed, Mr. Dreyfous moved, seconded by Mr. Riehl, that Mr. Wiedorn be employed to prepare final plans and specifications, and that the Committee be authorized to employ a consultant if needed to assist in the final planning. Motion unanimously adopted.

ALBERT F. BACKER, Chairman
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

March 15, 1959

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

The Greater New Orleans Open Invitational Golf Tournament held in City Park last week was a great success despite the one day postponement due to inclement weather. Eight inches of water had to be pumped off certain areas of the golf course before the tournament started. The N. O. Fire Department was most cooperative in assisting with draining the course. Mr. Henry Thomas, General Chairman of the Tournament and his staff did an excellent job in staging this great event. The tournament which was televised for nine hours and twenty minutes was won by Mr. Bill Collins of Baltimore, Maryland with a score of 280 (8 under par).

A meeting was held with High School Principals and Football Coaches recently relative to the use of City Park stadium for football games. As authorized by the Park Board, the N. O. Catholic & Prep Leagues contract was renewed for two years on the same terms and conditions as the 1957-58 contract. Some school principals expressed great concern over the integration of the stadium during football games.

The City Park Men's Tennis Club and the Orleans Women's Tennis Club has requested permission to renew their lease for two years. The Men's Tennis Club lease is for seven designated courts from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Monday thru Saturday and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sundays and all Bank clearing holidays at a rental of $155.56 per month. The Orleans Women's Tennis Club lease is for two designated courts from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Monday thru Saturday and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sundays and all Bank clearing holidays at a rental of $40.00 per month. Both Tennis Club leases expire March 31, 1959.

Scenes of the City Park lagoons will be shown on the National Broadcasting Television networks on Monday March 30th at 6 p.m. This educational program will feature various scenic places throughout the United States.
During the past thirty days our flock of swans have increased with nine black and four white cygnets. The current market price on white swans is $75.00 per pair and the black swans at $300.00 per pair.

Judge Frank J. Stich, a City Park Board Member since September 17, 1936, died on February 17, 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
March 15, 1959

To the President and Board of Commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association -- City

Gentlemen:

Herewith my report of receipts and disbursements for the month of February 1959, as follows:

Balance on hand January 31, 1959 $11,949.73

Received during the month of February 1959 $31,355.92

$43,305.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid by checks # 4126 to # 4231 $30,529.64

$12,776.01

Respectfully submitted

[Signature]

TREASURER
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board
was held Sunday, March 15, 1959, at 10 a.m. in the
Board Room, a quorum being present as follows:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and

Messrs.
G. L. Andrus
A. F. Backer
E. A. Carrere Jr.
Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Arthur Feitel
Wm. M. Garic
A. H. Generes
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
George Grundmann
James S. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
E. R. Le Corgne
J. C. Nungesser
George Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. G. Schoen
P. H. Sitges
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
E. L. Zander
W. T. Henley

EXCUSED

F. R. Worthington

ABSENT

H. E. Farley
H. M. Wilkinson
Before opening the meeting, the President asked the Board to stand in silence in memory of Judge Stich, who had been a member since 1936, had served as President in 1950, and was one of the most valuable members of the Board. At the President's suggestion Mr. Couret moved that a committee be appointed by the President to draw up a resolution in the Judge's memory. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Mr. Jahncke appointed the following committee: Mr. Generes, Chairman, and Messrs. Ketchum, Whitmore and Gonzales.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Riehl asked to be recorded in those minutes as voting No on the Pelican matter. The minutes, as amended, were adopted, on motion of Mr. Heiny, seconded by Mr. Torre.

The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

**Tennis Clubs**

Mr. Heiny moved that the leases of City Park Tennis Club, Inc., and Orleans Women's Tennis Club, which expire 3/31/59, be renewed for two years. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously. On motion of Mr. Gonzales, seconded by Dr. Ketchum, the report of the General Manager was received and filed.

The following communications were read:

**Pelicans**

Letter from F. & F. Concessions Co. asking permission to start negotiations with the New Orleans Baseball Club regarding stadium concessions. Mr. de Verges moved that this permission be granted. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion.

Letter of thanks from Mrs. Stich for flowers and expressions of sympathy.

**U-Drive Electric Boats**

Letter from Wm. J. Daze & Sons, Los Angeles, California, with reference to the operation of U Drive Electric Boats in City Park. Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Laborde write Mr. Wm. J. Daze, asking for photos and plans and specifications of the entire operation. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Adopted unanimously.

**Radio Station**

Letter from Captain C. O. Reinhardt, Eighth Naval District, requesting continued use of the present radio station until August 31, 1959, due to construction delays in erecting the new station for July 1, 1959. Mr. Dreyfous moved that permission be granted. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Rivet voted No since he had voted against the motion to permit the radio station to be in the park, as it does not belong there. Mr. de Verges explained that he voted to grant the extension notwithstanding his awareness of the fact that the station does not belong in the park, as he feels the Government should not be forced out at the termination for a few weeks. Mr. Generes explained that he voted Yes with the understanding that it is for a short period of time.
Letter from Captain C. O. Reinhardt, advising that the Government will either move the building or leave it to the park, at the Board's pleasure. Mr. Generes moved that the matter be referred to the Grounds Committee, with power to act. Mr. Feitel seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

The President reported that he had been out of the city a great deal during the past month, and most matters of importance will be taken up by various committees. He thanked Mr. Backer for acting as Chairman during his absence, and for sending a telegram of condolence to Mayor Morrison.

Mr. Torre, Treasurer, reported everything in order.

Executive Committee - no report.

Advisory Committee - no report.

Concessions & Entertainment Committee. Mr. Dufour showed the Board a sample of the new benches.

Finance Committee. Mr. Dabezies reported everything in order.

Flowers & Horticultural Committee.
Mr. LeCorgne reported that the green house is completed in the rough but asked that $1,000 of the Pelican money be earmarked for its completion. Mr. Dabezies moved that if and when we get the money we appropriate $1,000 for the use of that committee in completing the green house. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. LeCorgne also reported that Mr. Farley will give the park cuttings of 68 varieties of beautiful hibiscus.

Planning & Development Committee.
Mr. Backer presented a detailed report with reference to Golf Course No. 3, and moved that this report be accepted, the plan approved, the third golf course constructed as outlined in the plan, and that this report be attached to the minutes. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion.

Dr. Ketchum explained that Mr. Wiedorn's fee will come out of the $10,000 City appropriation, as it is part of the park's future development. He showed the location of the proposed golf course on a plan prepared by Mr. Wiedorn and approved by the Planning & Golf Committees, and then proposed some change in the plan. Mr. de Verges felt that we should vote on what the two committees have recommended. The President expressed the opinion that the plan submitted to the Board by the Planning Committee (a copy of which had been sent him by Mr. Wiedorn) should be revised only by the Planning Committee.

After general discussion of the matter, Mr. Backer withdrew
his motion to approve his report, and suggested that the matter be referred back to both committees to discuss in detail and brought back to the Board. Mr. Dreyfous refused to withdraw his second to the motion.

Mr. Carrere made a substitute motion that the plan, as unanimously approved by the Planning and Development Committee be adopted by the Board, that the course be within the geographical confines shown in green and red on the map, with the understanding that there may be some adjustments within these confines, to be approved by the Planning Committee at that time. Mr. Sijges seconded the motion. Substitute motion put to a vote and carried. The Chairman announced that with the passage of the substitute motion, the original motion falls.

Mr. Jahncke advised that he had discussed with Mr. Wiedorn the necessity of revising the master plan, and believes it can be worked out satisfactorily. He thanked Mr. Backer and his committee for their efforts in this matter.

Golf Committee
Dr. Ketchum thanked the Board of approval of Golf Course #3, and expressed the belief that the Golf Committee should be in charge of its construction.

Dr. Ketchum reported that the N.O. Open Golf Tournament was a great success; 1600 persons attended. He complimented the Pro, the General Manager and his personnel, the Fire and Police Departments, for efficient cooperation.

Mr. Garic Schoen, member of the Executive Committee of N.O. Open Golf Tournament, thanked the Board in the name of the officials, and expressed the hope of being permitted to hold the tournament in the park next year. Mr. Jahncke complimented the Golf Committee and those in charge of the tournament. Dr. Ketchum moved that letters of thanks be written to the Fire and Police Departments. Motion seconded by Mr. Schoen and adopted.

Dr. Ketchum reported that week-end receipts are very good, and the driving range is doing very good business. With golf improvement funds, improvements are planned at the driving range, which will permit the use of these facilities after rain.

Grounds Committee
Mr. Riehl reported that the erection of the statue on Swan Island is being taken care of, and the trees between Marconi Drive and the stadium have been removed, in accordance with Mr. Garic's suggestion.
LEGAL COMMITTEE
Mr. de Verges reported that he had been asked at the last meeting to write to the Attorney General with reference to the McFadden House, but after consideration had decided not to do so as reports of the Attorney General are published.

CITIZENS COUNCIL
With reference to the Citizens Council questionnaire, he received seven answers which he read to the Board and the Assistant Secretary read the answers prepared by him. He then moved that the President send the answers to these questions to the Citizens Council. Mr. Whitmore seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - no report.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE
Mr. Generes asked for more time to consider the matter and make a report at the next meeting.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE - Mr. Grundmann reported progress.

STADIUM COMMITTEE
The President appointed Mr. James S. Janssen as Chairman to replace Judge Stich.

Vice Chairman Ketchum reported that the Legal Committee had found it necessary to re-advertise, that the committee met at Mr. Carrere's office, the ad was inserted in the paper on March 6th, 10th and 20th, and bids will be opened in the Manager's office on Saturday, March 21.

Dr. Ketchum moved that the President be authorized to sign a lease with the highest bidder and comply with specifications in the lease prepared by Mr. Carrere. Mr. Generes seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. de Verges did not vote. Messrs. Riehl and Rivet voted no.

MC FADDEN HOUSE COMMITTEE
Mr. Backer asked the Assistant Secretary to read a letter received from Mr. G. J. Gorronona, President of the New Orleans Athletic Club, advising that they are not interested in leasing the McFadden House; also a letter which Mr. Gorronona had received from the Club's attorney, Mr. Clem H. Schott, advising against leasing the property, but suggesting its purchase. Mr. Carrere moved that authority be given to write the New Orleans Athletic Club that the property is not for sale. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. de Verges thanked Mr. Rivet for his assistance in this matter.
A letter from F. & F. Concessions Co. again expressing interest in renting the McFadden House, and letter from Ernest A. Carrere & Sons with a proposition, were received shortly before the meeting and referred to the committee for further consideration.

NEW BUSINESS.
The Assistant Secretary read a letter addressed by Mr. Gerald Andrus to the President expressing his intention to resign at the end of his ten-year term in April, due to his busy schedule. Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Andrus reconsider until the next meeting. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The President announced that the next meeting will be held on the fourth Monday of April, April 27th, at 8 p.m.

In accordance with request of Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Gonzales moved that, in the summer months, during repairs to Delgado Museum, permission be granted to hold the Junior Art Classes in a room of the McFadden House or in the Casino reception room. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Dreyfous asked to be excused from attending Board meetings until June, as he is leaving on a European trip, and Mr. Feitel asked to be excused from the April meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15.

G. M. Scherrey, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

President
March 10, 1968

Jack Rice, Esq.
Executive Director
South Louisiana Citizens Council
P. O. Box 285
Metairie, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rice:

Your letter of January 15, 1968, and the accompanying questionnaire, answers to which you requested believing that the information supplied may lead to a possible solution of problems you consider were presented as a result of the United States Supreme Court's order to desegregate City Park, was presented to and considered by the Board of Commissioners of City Park at its meeting yesterday. After deliberatively considering each of the ten (10) questions, as set out in the questionnaire, the Board determined that the respective questions be answered as follows:

Question 1 - Reference to exhibits relating to acquisition or property that now constitutes City Park as filed in proceeding No. 356-156 Civil District Court, Parish of Orleans, 21,161 Court of Appeal, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana, titled Park Plate Association vs New Orleans City Park Improvement Association et al. will supply the information you request.

Question 2 - By Legislative Act the control and management of City Park was vested in the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association. Members of the Board are elected for a term of ten (10) years; when vacancies occur they are filled by the Board for the unexpired term.

Question 3 - None - other than as stated in answer to question four.

Question 4 - By income from leased concessions and facilities it operates - The City of New Orleans appropriates a certain amount yearly which is equivalent to approximately one-half of operating costs.
March 10, 1960

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Question 5 - It is the opinion of the Board that reference to pleadings in matter titled Mandeville Petiage, et al. versus City Park Improvement Association No. 3041 Civil Action United States District Court Eastern District of Louisiana would disclose all information in which your Council may be interested in regard to suit by which plaintiffs sought to have City Park desegregated.

Question 6 - Conditions which prevailed in City Park since date U. S. Supreme Court order became effective were not sufficiently important to require this Board to give any consideration to closing City Park.

Question 7 - Your Council is respectfully referred to the following cases which were reviewed by the United States Supreme Court, and in which the Court rendered opinions holding in effect that racial segregation in recreational activities can no longer be sustained as a proper exercise of the police power of the State.

1) Mui vs. Louisville Park Theatrical Assn. 271 Federal Reporter 2d p. 275

7th Supreme Court Reporter p. 785

2) Robert S. Dawson, Jr., et al. vs Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City 283 Federal Reporter 2d p 366

3) A. W. Deal, et al. vs Oscar Kolombe, Mayor et al. 240 Federal Reporter 2d p 812

77 Supreme Court Reporter p 680

Question 8 - As this Board is not fully conversant with the facts or circumstances that prompted the City Commissioners of Montgomery, Ala., to close its public parks - it refrains from commenting on the action of that Commission.
March 16, 1939

Question 9 - It is the opinion of this Board that NOE is or the Commissioners who are charged with operating Dunbar Park and Lincoln Beach could supply a more accurate answer to this question.

Question 10 - None - other than a request which was made several years ago for use City Park stadium on a desegregated basis - The request was refused without incident.

The Board recognizes that the cooperation your Council offers us in the public interest and welfare and is tendered in the spirit you express.

Very truly yours,

E. G. City Park Improvement Association

By: ________________________

President
April 27, 1959

Gentlemen:

Mayor Morrison and the Commission Council approved an amount not to exceed $15,000 for the construction of rest room facilities in City Park. As a result of our advertising for sealed bids which was published in the local newspaper, we received the following eight bids which were publicly opened:

- Gurtler Hebert & Co. Inc. $10,911.00
- E. J. Welsch & Co. Inc. $11,137.00
- Upham Engineering Co. $11,480.00
- J. M. Scheyd & Co. Inc. $11,861.00
- Haase Construction Co. Inc. $12,000.00
- Farnsworth & Chambers Co. Inc. $12,750.00
- Logan Construction Co. $12,982.00
- Sun Construction Co. $12,995.00

President Jahncke authorized Mr. George Bosworth, Purchasing Agent for the City of New Orleans, to accept the low bid submitted by Gurtler Hebert & Co. Inc. for the sum of $10,911.00. All legal documents and payments for this project will be handled through Mr. Bosworth's office. This much needed facility is expected to be completed within forty-five days after contract is signed.

Sealed bids were also received for a new panel truck and a tractor equipped with sickle bar mower. These bids are herewith submitted for the Board's consideration.

On February 18th, I met with Principals and Coaches from various High Schools for the purpose of renewing the Prep League's contract for the rental of stadium, and to select football dates for 1959. Although each school represented at the meeting agreed on the terms and conditions of the contract, the President of the Public Prep School League, has not as yet been authorized by the School Board to sign the contract. Dr. James Redmond, Superintendent of Orleans Parish School Board advised me that an attorney for the School Board would discuss the complications involved in the contract signing with Mr. deVerges. He expressed his deep concern in the contract and stated that he would like to have some type of signed agreement which would be acceptable to City Park and the School Board.
No. 2

Board of Commissioners of City Park

For several years our gas pressure throughout the park has been very low. We requested the N. O. Public Service to inspect the gas mains belonging to City Park to determine if there were any breaks. Thus far six gas leaks have been found and repaired. Although this survey entails a tremendous amount of work, the N. O. Public Service has charged the park only $30.00 for these six repair jobs. This amount represents cost of the fittings.

The Tommy Bartlett Water Ski Show which was staged in a City Park lagoon on April 18th and 19th, attracted an estimated crowd of 20,000 people. This nationally known traveling show consisted of skiing, motor boating, etc. Great interest has been stimulated in skiing and boating as a result of this show.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellis P. Laborde, General Manager

EPL/1h
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Monday night April 27, 1959, at 8 p.m. in the Board. The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and

Messrs. A. F. Backer, Sr.
E. A. Carrere, Jr.
Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
Maurice Dufour
H. E. Farley
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
Fred D. Ketchum
Earl R. Le Corgne
J. C. Mangesser
George Riehl
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J. G. Schoen
F. H. Sitges
L. J. Torre
A. Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
E. L. Zander
F. E. Worthington

EXCUSED

F. J. Dreyfours
Arthur Feitel
Wm. M. Garic
A. H. Generes
Jas. S. Janssen
H. M. Wilkinson

ABSENT

G. L. Andrus

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted on motion of Dr. Zander seconded by Mr. Heiny.

The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Heiny moved that the President's action in accepting the low bid of Curtler, Herbet & Co. - $10,911 - to construct rest room facilities, through the City of New Orleans, be ratified. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion.

Mr. Dabezies moved that the General Manager be authorized to buy a panel truck and tractor with sickle bar mower at the lowest bid which meets specifications. Mr. Torre seconded the motion. Adopted.
Mr. de Verges moved that the matter of lease between City Park and the Public School League for playing football be referred to a joint committee composed of members of the stadium and legal committees. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The General Manager was asked to write letters of appreciation to Mr. Jeffrey Collins and Mr. Hugh Blaine of New Orleans Public Service, for repairing gas leaks.

Mr. de Verges moved that the General Manager’s report as acted upon be received and filed.

The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:

New Orleans Women’s Golf Club thanking the Board, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Laborde for making their tournament a success.

Mayor Morrison expressing appreciation for flowers and telegram of sympathy.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Mr. Jahncke reported that:

The comfort station referred to in the General Manager’s report will be erected in the picnic grounds close to the large open shelter house, and should be completed by early July.

The attendance at the park on week-ends has been excellent.

A letter was written to the N. O. Athletic Club advising that the Board is not interested in selling the McFadden House.

The formal opening of the park will be held May 24 and all Board members are invited.

The President thanked Mr. Carrere for preparing the Pelican contract, Mr. Riehl for preparing the plans for the rest room, and Mr. Farley for the donation of hibiscus cuttings.

VICE PRESIDENTS - no report

SECRETARY - no report.

TREASURER- Mr. Torre reported everything in order.

The President advised that the Executive Committee had been polled on the matter of granting the Pelicans the right to televise some baseball games without the Park’s participation in revenue. Dr. Zander moved that the action of the Executive Committee in granting this right be ratified. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Adopted unanimously.
CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dufur advised that Mr. J. C. Nungesser is Chairman of the park festival and Mr. Chas. L. Rivet is Vice Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies advised that finances are in good shape and golf has been doing particularly well. The City Appropriation for 1959 was $205,000. Shortly after the first of the year we were notified that all appropriations would be cut 5%, which means about $10,250. In accordance with the unanimous recommendation of the Finance Committee, Mr. Dabezies moved that $8,000 of the remaining Pelican money be dedicated for payroll purposes and the remaining $1,000 for new equipment. Mr. Whitmore seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Mr. LeCorgne reported that his Committee met last week to make plans for planting; many recommendations were made and discussed at length. The planting on Swan Island is in progress.

GOLF COMMITTEE.
Dr. Ketchum reported that golf is setting an all time record. Temporary lights will be placed on the south end of the driving range on an experimental basis.

The new golf course is causing much enthusiasm. The work has not been started because Joe Bartholomew's equipment is not available.

Dr. Ketchum advised that a chipping machine, which costs $3,000, will be needed in the construction of golf course #3. He moved that the Board approve the purchase of this machine, the park to pay $1,500 of the cost, and $1,500 to be paid from the golf course fund, the machine to revert to the park after completion of the golf course - the purchase of this machine subject to the approval of the Finance Committee. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Grundmann read the proposal of Mr. J. Daze in connection with electric boats. Mr. Dabezies moved that the matter be referred to the Concessions & Entertainment Committee for study and report to the Board. Mr. Grundmann made a substitute motion that the matter be referred to the Concessions & Entertainment Committee and the Lagoons Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Hiehl. Substitute motion put to a vote and carried.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.
Mr. de Verges reported that the lease of the Men and Women Tennis Clubs had been extended and that Mr. Fitzpatrick of the F. & F. Amusement Co. had been advised that further consideration would be given to leasing the McFadden House to him for parties and banquets.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - no report.
PUBLICITY COMMITTEE—no report.

STADIUM COMMITTEE
In Mr. Janssen's absence, the Assistant Secretary read his report in connection with leasing the stadium to Xavier University Prep School for a football game. Mr. Grundmann moved that in accordance with recommendation of the Stadium Committee the stadium be leased to Xavier University Prep School for a football game on October 6, on conditions set forth in Mr. Janssen's report. Motion seconded by Mr. Backer, put to a vote and carried.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE.
Mr. Whitmore reported that Mr. Generes had polled the members of his committee and it is the unanimous feeling that the opening of the swimming and wading pools should be postponed indefinitely. Mr. Carrere so moved, and Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and adopted unanimously. Mr. Nungesser will include liability insurance for the pools in the park's policy.

MC FADDEN HOUSE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Backer reported that a meeting of his committee was held March 20 and rental proposals were discussed, including a clinic and two convalescent homes.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Riehl reported that the fountain on Swan Island is completely installed and Mr. LeCorgne will take care of the grounds. The arrangement of the triangle is in the stages of study. The matter of the new comfort station has already been covered. A bid was obtained to move the radio station building; the Crescent City Shoring Co. submitted a bid of $5,365.00. Mr. Riehl polled his committee, and it was unanimously agreed that the building be demolished to use the lumber.

TENNIS COMMITTEE
Mr. Heiny feels that tennis receipts will increase this month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
The President announced that he had been unsuccessful in having Mr. Gerald Andrus change his decision and that he had asked that his name not come up for re-election. The President accepted Mr. Andrus' resignation and officially declared that a vacancy exists on the board and nominations will be made at the next meeting.

Mr. Whitmore read a resolution in connection with the
death of Judge Stich, moved that it be adopted, made part of the minutes, engrossed and sent to the Stich family. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Whitmore, President of Delgado Museum of Art, explained at length the intention of the Delgado Board to enlarge to 23 members: 2 City Councilmen, 6 members of City Park Board, 6 persons from the general membership of the museum, 6 members at large from civic bodies and 3 from any source the Delgado Board might choose. It was brought out that before making a decision on this matter, City Park Board should have a report from its Legal Committee. The Chairman ruled that the matter not be discussed further at this meeting and that a special meeting of the Board be called Thursday night, May 14, 1959, at 8 p.m. for the purpose of discussing this matter.

Under the heading of new business - Mr. Gonzales nominated Mr. Frank J. Stich, Jr. to replace his father as member of City Park Board. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Mr. Schoen moved that nominations be closed and that Mr. Stich be elected unanimously by acclamation. Mr. Torre seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10.

[Signatures]
A special meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Thursday, May 11, 1959, at 8 p.m. in the Board Room.
The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and
Messrs.
A. F. Backer
E. A. Carrere
Wm. H. Courret
H. Dabexies
Ed J. de Verges
Herman Farley
Arthur Feitel
Allen H. Generes
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
James S. Janssen
George Riehl
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Frank J. Stich
Louis J. Torre
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Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Wm. H. Garic
S. J. Gonzales
Fred D. Ketchum
J. Chris Nungesser

ABSENT
Earl E. Le Corgne
H. M. Wilkinson

Mr. Louis Porterie was also present at the meeting.

Before opening the meeting, the President introduced the youngest and newest member of the Board, Mr. Frank J. Stich, Jr.

The President told the Board that this Special meeting had been called to consider the possibility of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art increasing their Board membership to 23.
The Assistant Secretary read a letter dated April 30, 1959 addressed to City Park Board by Mr. C. E. Whitmore, President of Delgado Museum, to which letter was attached the proposed plan of reorganization and enlargement of the Delgado Board.
Mr. Jahncke feels that the Museum Board, under Mr. Whitmore's able leadership, is doing an excellent job of revitalizing, which is to be commended, but the Park Board problem is as to whether it can legally support the proposed plan. Since the matter had been turned over to our Legal Committee for consideration, the President asked Mr. de Verges, Chairman of that Committee, to make a report to the Board.

Mr. de Verges reported that he had not asked Mr. Bivet to make a study of the matter, since he was one of the Park Board's representatives on the Delgado Board; Mr. Wilkinson had been unable to give assistance, as he is leaving for Europe, and Mr. Carrere was busy on trial matters, and since he did not feel that he could undertake the job alone, with the consent of the President and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, he had asked Mr. Porterie to make research and address a communication to him as Chairman of the Legal Committee giving an opinion on the matter. All pertinent documents had been made available to Mr. Porterie, among which copy of the charter of Delgado Museum secured from the Secretary of State in 1958, and copies of Mr. Delgado's letters.

Mr. Porterie read his opinion to the Board, copy of which is attached to these minutes, in which he sets forth his reason for disagreeing with the opinion of Dunbar, McCall and Lemann, dated 11/12/58, with reference to expansion and reorganization of the Museum Board, as these lawyers were apparently furnished with a printed copy of the Articles of Incorporation whereas his opinion was given after studying the Articles of Incorporation certified by Wade O. Martin, dated 1/21/58, also attached to these minutes. In Article III of the Charter are incorporated Mr. Delgado's letters, setting forth clearly the conditions imposed by Mr. Delgado on the City Park Board, the recipients of the $150,000 gift. Mr. Porterie is of the opinion that since Mr. Delgado believed it essential enough to incorporate in the charter his letters imposing conditions, violation of these conditions by City Park Board would give rise to a suit for return of the $150,000. to the Delgado succession, and City Park Board would place itself in jeopardy if it acquiesced in or participated in, or permitted the change proposed in Mr. Whitmore's plan, and, since the ground on which the Museum stands belongs to the City of New Orleans, and an ordinance approved 12/6/11 accepts the Museum, and dedicates it for use and benefit of the people of New Orleans, any citizen, voter or taxpayer would have the right to raise issue of the violation of the terms and conditions of Mr. Delgado's donation.

Mr. Carrere feels that when a gift is made, the intention of the donor should be carried out - the issue before the house is what that intention was. He believes the intent was to give a sound and fine museum, therefore, whether or not the other provisions are such that they would cause the donation to be revoked, we cannot pass on it. The Board should not put itself in position to lose $150,000.
Therefore, he moved that this Board not take definitive judgment tonight and that a declaratory judgment be brought if the board deems it of such importance. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion, then later withdrew his second to the motion. Mr. Generes then seconded the motion.

Mr. de Verges made a substitute motion that the five members who are accredited from this Board to the Delgado Board be instructed and directed to oppose any resolution that is offered at the Delgado Museum meeting as to enlargement or reorganization of the Board of Delgado Museum of Art. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. He asked the Assistant Secretary to read a resolution prepared by him, in which the object of the motion and the motion are clearly stated. This document is attached to these minutes. After discussion, the motion was put to a vote and carried 14 to 3. Messrs. Whitmore, Rivet and Feitel recused from voting.

Mr. Jahncke stated that everyone wants to see Delgado Museum progress, but we have to be guided by the recommendations of our Legal Committee. If there is another way, we should consider it.

Mr. Porterie and Mr. de Verges stated that there is a way - by declaratory judgment - and Mr. de Verges' resolution makes it more clear.

Mr. Carrere asked to be recorded as being of the opinion that the matter could be handled so that the legal issue could be clarified by declaratory judgment if necessary.

Mr. Feitel told the Board that while he feels that the Delgado Board should be enlarged, he also feels that it is his duty to vote in the manner which this board directs, as he has been appointed by this Board.

After lengthy discussion and argument, Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet tendered their resignations as accredited representatives of City Park Board to the Delgado Board, for the reason that they refuse to be told how to vote on the Delgado Board, which is a separate Board, and their actions should be governed by what in their judgment is best for the Museum, and they could not vote against a plan of reorganization which they helped to formulate. Mr. Generes moved that their resignations be accepted. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion.

At the President's suggestion, Mr. Grundmann made a substitute motion that the matter of resignations be laid over to the next regular Board meeting, May 25. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet advised that they would send a letter to the Delgado Board advising that their resignations have been tendered and laid over.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10.

[Signatures]

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A meeting of the Executive Committee of City Park Board was held May 21, 1959, at 4 p.m., in the Board Room of the National American Bank.

The following members of the Committee were present:
A. F. Backer - Chairman
Herbert Jahncke
A. H. Genes
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
Jas. J. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
E. R. Le Corne
George Riehl

EXCUSED
H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
M. Dufour
C. E. Whitmore
E. L. Zander

and Mr. Louis Porterie, Attorney.

It was the unanimous recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Board take no further action at this time in regard to the Delgado Museum of Art.

It was the feeling of the majority of the Executive Committee that we are in favor of the organization plan of the Delgado Museum, assuming that there are no legal obstacles.
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

May 25, 1959

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

The Bayou St. John Committee at a meeting held on May 22nd, adopted a motion to drain Bayou St. John on or about June 5th, for the purpose of cleaning and destroying insofar as possible alga and other matters producing disagreeable odors in Bayou St. John. Mr. Fred Dupuy, owner of the Dupuy Shipyard, has been notified by registered mail that the Bayou would be drained. To-date Mr. Dupuy has not filed any objections to the draining of the Bayou. The Commission Council also adopted a motion supporting the action of the Bayou St. John Committee.

We advertised for bids in a local newspaper for a new late model portable Brush Chipper. The following bids were received.

Farnham Equipment Co. Inc. of Dallas, Texas $ 2,888.25 less 2% 10-days.
Fletcher Equipment Co. of New Orleans, La. $ 2,996.75 less 2% 10-days.
Asplundh Chipper Co. of Jenkintown, Pa. $ 3,100.00

It is my understanding that Bill No. 78 Act 318 of the 1958 Session of the State Legislature provides for the awarding of contracts or bids to local firms where there is a difference of 3% or less from an out-of-town firm. The difference in bids submitted by Farnham Equipment Co. Inc. of Dallas, Texas and Fletcher Equipment Co. of New Orleans, is $106.33, a difference of $16.43 over the 3% local patronage permitted by law.

Forms were received from Mr. David R. McGuire, Jr., Chief Administrative Officer, for the submission of Capital Improvement projects for 1960 thru 1964. These forms must be properly prepared and returned to Mr. McGuire's office prior to June 15th. The Board's authorization is requested to re-submit projects previously approved by the Board.
The following improvements were made in City Park since 1955 with Capital Improvement funds.

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The United States outstanding Army Band stationed in Washington, D.C. will be in New Orleans on July 18th. Arrangements have been made through Camp Leroy Johnson to have this band play on the Band Stand from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on that date.

The various activities scheduled for the Official Opening of the Amusement Season in City Park last Sunday was well attended. The general public indicated much pleasure in staging our weekly concerts on the band stand instead of the stadium. Brief addresses were made at the Festival opening by Mr. Chris Nungesser, Mr. Herbert Jahncke, and Councilman Victor Schiro.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellis P. Laborde, General Manager

EPL/1h
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held May 25, 1959, at 8 p.m. in the Board. The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and
Messrs.
Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.
Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabouis
Ed. J. de Verges
Maurice Dufour
Arthur Faital
A. H. Canoves
Geo. Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
F. D. Ketchum
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Geo. Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
F. H. Sitges
F. J. Stich
L. J. Terre
Alfred Wellborn
Edwin L. Zander
F. E. Worthington

EXCUSED
A. F. Becker, Sr.
F. J. Dreyfous,
Herman E. Farley
Wm. H. Garic
James S. Jansen
J. Garic Schoen
H. M. Wilkinson
G. E. Whitmore

ABSENT
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.

Also present at the meeting were Mr. Louis Porterie, Attorney, and Mr. Jack Boyd, reporter for the Times Picayune.

The President asked that the order of business be changed so that Mr. David Dale from California could explain briefly the advantages of having the U-Drive-It Electric Boats in City Park. Mr. Jahncke thanked Mr. Dale and advised him that the matter had been turned over to a committee who would meet with him and report back to the Board.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the April meeting, which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Zander, seconded by Mr. Heiny.
The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. de Verges moved that in accordance with Mr. Laborde's recommendation all bids on the chipper machine be rejected and he be permitted to re-advertise. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Mr. de Verges moved that the Dupuy-Bayou St. John matter be referred to the Lagoons Committee. Mr. Nungesser seconded the motion.

The General Manager was authorized to re-submit Capital Improvement Projects previously approved by the Board.

The General Manager's report, as acted upon, was received and filed, on motion of Mr. Dabezies seconded by Mr. Terre.

The President asked to change the order of business and delay the Delgado Museum discussion and reading of the minutes of the Special Meeting held May 1st, with reference thereto, until other business had been taken care of.

The President reported that the park festival was a success. The attendance at the band stand was excellent and the program was well received. He thanked Mr. Nungesser, General Chairman of the Festival.

VICE PRESIDENTS- no report.

TREASURER. Mr. Terre reported everything in order.

SECRETARY. No report.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE - No report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE - report covered in the President's report.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE. Mr. Dabezies reported finances in good condition. All bills are paid. He congratulated the Golf Committee, as golf is $5,000. ahead of last year.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE. Mr. LeCorgne reported the flowers in the park are beautiful.

GOLF COMMITTEE. Dr. Ketchum reported that there are fifteen organised golf clubs using City Park golf facilities and about that many organised clubs taking lessons at the driving range. The Junior golf program of the City Recreation Department has brought out 150 boys to play. A change has been made in the price schedule - an 18 hole ticket instead of an all day ticket. The third golf course is making progress.
GROUNDSCOMMITTEE. Mr. Riehl reported that the building of the comfort station is progressing.

LAGOONSCOMMITTEE. Mr. Grundmann reported that Bayou St. John will be drained for cleaning in the near future.

The President asked that any interested Board member accompany Mr. Laborde on May 26 to Baton Rouge to appear before the Committee with reference to passage of a bill to appropriate $150,000 for Bayou St. John. Mr. de Verges had received a phone call from State Representative John Matassa, who is sponsoring the bill, suggesting that the Board send a representation as he believes this bill will be signed by the Governor if proper interest is shown and proper support given.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.

In the absence of the Chairman of this committee, Mr. Jahnoke reported that Mayor Morrison gave the park excellent coverage in his annual report. There is a good write-up in This Week in New Orleans Magazine, and the Times Picayune gave the festival good publicity.

STADIUM COMMITTEE—no report.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE—no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE—Mr. Heiny reported improvement.

SPECIAL MC FADDEN COMMITTEE.

Mr. Backer, Chairman, had been excused from the meeting, but Mr. Jahnoke asked Mr. Porterie to give a report on the legal aspects of the matter. Mr. Porterie explained that he had prepared a letter advising that if there is any advertising for use of the building, under Federal Court order no bid can be turned down on the basis of race, and that the use of the property would have to be in conformity with park purposes, and he suggested that the control, maintenance and management of the property be turned over to the lessee. The Committee has several prospective tenants.

NEW BUSINESS.

Mr. Laborde reported that he had been notified to appear before the Commission Council relative to a proposed tax on rides of 10¢ and above, and he had been authorized by the President to appear. He has reason to believe that 2% will be imposed in lieu of the proposed 5%.

Mr. de Verges told the Board that the by-laws provide that a change can be made therein provided notice of such change is served 30 days before the meeting; he therefore served notice on the Board that he proposes to change Section 11 of Article 15 regarding the Legal Affairs Committee, and suggested that the following changes be made and that a copy of this resolution be sent to each Board member for study and consideration before the next Board meeting:

"That said committee shall consist of members of this board who are actively engaged in the practice of law in this State. There shall be no Chairman of this committee. When circumstances require that a contract or lease be reviewed and approved, or when it is determined by vote of the Board that matters it has for consideration present problems that require legal opinion, the President shall assign the matter to a member of this Committee for consideration, study, and an opinion, and the member shall either report to the committee who has jurisdiction of the matter or to the Board."
In assigning the matter to be considered to a member of the committee, the President shall rotate the assignment, commencing according to the member's rank of tenure as a member of this Board. Should the member to whom a matter is assigned have good cause why he cannot give it the required attention, the President may employ a practicing attorney to consider the matter and render an opinion.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the special meeting held 5/14/59, which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Carrere, seconded by Mr. Sitges, then read the following letters:

1. Letter addressed to the Delgado Board by Mr. Herbert Jahncke to be presented at its meeting held May 15, asking to be recorded as voting may to the reorganization plan.

2. Letter written to Mr. Jahncke by Mr. Kohlmeyer, Vice President of Delgado Museum of Art.

3. Mr. Whitmore's letter explaining his position in the Delgado matter.

The President reported that on 5/21/59 a meeting of the Executive Committee was called to discuss the Delgado situation and Mr. Porterie was invited to present his views in connection with the legal aspects. It was the feeling of the majority of the Executive Committee that it is in favor of the organization plan of the Delgado Museum, assuming that there are no legal obstacles, and the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Board take no further action at this time in regard to Delgado Museum.

Mr. Porterie advised that any suit by the Delgado succession would have to be brought within 5 years of the breach of condition.

After lengthy discussion, Mr. de Verges moved that this Board take affirmative action to authorize Mr. Jahncke, in his own name, or in the name of the Board, as he sees fit, proceed towards a declaratory judgment; that before proceeding to file suit he contact Mr. Kohlmeyer, in an attempt to have him cooperate with City Park Board in this suit or defer the process of reorganization of Delgado Museum until the matter can be decided, and should Mr. Kohlmeyer not agree, that Mr. Jahncke proceed as directed by this Board. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried, Mr. Feitel and Mr. Rivet not voting.

Mr. Jahncke reported that he had been unsuccessful in having Mr. Whitmore change his decision to resign from the Delgado Board, and that Mr. Rivet felt the same way, in which Mr. Rivet concurred.

Mr. Sitges moved that resignations of Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet be accepted. Mr. Generes seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Feitel and Mr. Rivet did not vote.
Mr. Rivet suggested that Mr. de Verges be appointed as an accredited representative to the Delgado Board. Mr. de Verges declined.

Mr. Generes moved that Mr. Grundmann be appointed. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Dabezies moved that Mr. Riehl be appointed. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Mr. Riehl declined with thanks.

Five other Board members were suggested and declined.

Mr. Carrere moved that since a decision cannot be reached at this meeting, the matter be laid over to the next meeting. Dr. Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Feitel moved that it is the sense of this Board that we regret the resignations of Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet. Mr. LeCorgne seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Riehl reconsidered and decided to accept the appointment in order to avoid delay and undue publicity. Mr. Grundmann moved that Mr. Carrere's motion be rescinded. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Dabezies moved that Mr. Riehl be appointed to represent this Board on the Delgado Board. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

It was unanimously agreed to postpone the nomination of a Board member to the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40.

G. Schuyver
Asst. Secretary

H. F. Lamade
President
Mr. Louis Torre and myself appeared before a Legislative Committee in Baton Rouge to support House Bill Number H 26 which would have provided $150,000. for the dredging of Bayou St. John. Although we were successful in having the bill approved by the appropriation committee, the bill did not receive favorable action in the House of Representatives, House Bill Number S.C.R. 25 was then introduced by Senator John Petrie et al., requesting the Department of Public Works to dredge Bayou St. John. A letter has been written to Mr. Lorriss M. Wimberly, Director of the Department of Public Works requesting that the Bayou be dredged.

Mr. Richard Hayes, accountant for City Park, has been hospitalized for the past five weeks, thus causing a delay in our regular monthly report. Mr. Torre has rendered immeasurable assistance to our office staff during Mr. Hayes absence. Mr. Hayes is expected to return to work in about fifteen days.

Mr. Tad Gormley, physical director at the stadium, has been on a partial leave of absence since January due to his failing in health. Mr. Gormley's accumulated Civil Service sick and annual leave may permit the park to continue paying his full salary through the month of October.

City Park's Capital Improvement program amounting to $1,970,700. was submitted to Mr. David McGuire, Jr., Chief Administrative Officer for the City of New Orleans. There are indications that a reasonable amount of money will again be made available to the Park for some of the more needed projects.

The Jax Fishing contest is attracting many fishermen to the park. One hundred fish worth from $25.00 to $500.00 were released in the park lagoons. During the first week of the contest, eight fish tagged $25.00 each were caught. This contest has stimulated great fishing interest especially among the children.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

Plans and specifications for City Park's third golf course as prepared by Mr. Wm. Weidorn in cooperation with our Golf Committee, has been completed and is submitted to the Board for their consideration. Permission is requested to advertise for bids on the construction of the first nine holes.

A seventeen year old girl was attacked in the vicinity of City Park Avenue and Dumaine Street entrance on Sunday, June 14th, at approximately 8:30 p.m. It was first reported by the local press that the girl had been attacked by two negroes, however I have been informed by a high police official that recent information on the attack indicated the girl was not attacked by negroes. The initial examination of the girl by the Orleans Parish Coroner's office showed no evidence that she had been criminally assaulted but practically all her clothing was torn off.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager

EPL/1h
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held June 22, 1939, at 8 p.m. in the Board Room. The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, President, and

Messrs. A. F. Backer, Sr.
Wm. H. Gourret
H. Dabezies
Ed. J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Arthur Feitel
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
Jas. S. Janssen
George Riehl
C. L. Rivet
J. G. Schoen
P. H. Sitges
F. J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
E. L. Zander
F. R. Worthington.

EXCUSED

Maurice Dufour
H. E. Farley
Wm. M. Garic
A. H. Generes
F. D. Ketchum
E. R. LeCorgne
J. C. Nungesser
H. M. Wilkinson

ABSENT

Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.

Mr. Louis Porterle also attended the meeting.

The President congratulated Mr. Gonzales on his election to the First Vice-Presidency of the Oak Homestead Association.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Heiny, seconded by Dr. Zander.
The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Hauny moved that the General Manager be authorized to advertise for bids for the construction of the first nine holes of Golf Course No. 3, after submission of plans and specifications to the Planning and Development Committee. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion; motion put to a vote and carried.

The General Manager's report as acted upon was ordered received and filed, on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Hauny.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Mr. W. W. McDougall, Director of Personnel, State of Louisiana, Department of Civil Service, advising that an audit of recent payroll reflects full compliance with Civil Service authorizations for payments made for personnel services in the park.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The President reported that there was an unusually large number of committee meetings this week, and complimented the members of the board for their attendance and the interest taken in the Park's affairs. He thanked Mr. Torre for his active part in keeping the books in order during the illness of Mr. Hayes.

VICE PRESIDENTS—no report.

TREASURER. Mr. Torre reported all bills paid, but the books have not been closed due to Mr. Hayes' absence. He commended Mr. Hayes for his good work on the books and moved that the Board extend best wishes to him for a speedy recovery. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

SECRETARY—no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—no report.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—no report.

REPORT OF FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE—Mr. Dabezies reported that due to Mr. Hayes' illness there is no official report, but Mr. Torre advises that accounts are paid to date.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE. In Mr. Dufour's absence, Mr. Laborde reported that on the nights the concerts were not rained out, they were successful, and the public prefers the band stand location to the stadium.
FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE - In Mr. LeCorgne's absence Mr. Laborde reported that calladiums and hibiscus have been planted.

GOLF COMMITTEE. In Dr. Ketchum's absence, Mr. Heiny, Vice Chairman, reported that rainy weekends have diminished receipts and interfered with the condition of the greens, but various tournaments have been held which have been very helpful. The No. 3 Golf Course plans and specifications are ready.

TENNIS COMMITTEE - Mr. Heiny reported that Marilyn Barnett has given good publicity to tennis clinics.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE - no report.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE - Mr. Grundmann reported that at the committee meeting held on this day, it was felt that Mr. Daze should be advised that the location chosen by him is not appropriate for a boat house and he should be offered a site along the Marconi lagoons. Mr. Grundmann moved that the park approve in principle the operation of electric boats in the park. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - Mr. de Verges reported that the Legal and Stadium Committees had a joint meeting with reference to the Prep School lease, and Mr. Janssen will make the report. He also reported that at the President's suggestion a resolution had been prepared in connection with the Delgado Museum matter, and Mr. Porterie will report on this.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - no report.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - Mr. Whitmore reported that last Saturday the States devoted a whole page to City Park activities.

STADIUM COMMITTEE - Mr. Janssen reported that the joint Legal and Stadium Committees met with Mr. Rault, attorney for the School Board. The Prep School contract had been signed by Mr. Jahncke and by Father Capelle, but the School Board representative refused to sign because of segregation problems. Mr. Porterie gave the opinion that control of the stadium during Prep School games remains with the Prep School League; Mr. Rault was satisfied and will recommend the signing of the contract.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE - no report.

MC FADDEN HOUSE COMMITTEE - Mr. Backer reported that several meetings of the Committee had been held to endeavor to find a solution to the problem of the McFadden House, but the only offer at the present time is one received by Mr. Riehl from Medical Care, Inc., for a nursing home. Mr. Riehl asked for an expression from the Board as to whether a nursing home is wanted in the park and moved that the Board give consideration to this nursing home. Dr. Zander seconded the motion and explained what type of nursing home this would be. The motion was put to a vote and failed.

Mr. Jahncke suggested the possibility of NORD being interested in renting this property and Mr. Grundmann suggested a plant conservatory.
Mr. Dabezies moved that the President be requested to take up the matter of rental with the NORD organization and if NORD is not interested, that he and the General Manager be authorized to employ an outstanding real estate firm to secure, within 60 days, a tenant acceptable to the Board. Mr. Janssen seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mssrs. Couret, Riehl and Rivet voted NO.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Jahncke reported that at the last meeting the Board had authorized him to go to court and seek declaratory judgment to solve the Delgado problem, that Mr. Porterie had brought the matter to court, and it was turned over to Judge Hall. He asked Mr. Porterie to explain recent developments in the matter.

Mr. Porterie explained that a few days after the suit was instituted the City Council passed a resolution unanimously approving the reorganization and enlargement plan of Delgado Museum. In his opinion this resolution was not legally sufficient to relieve City Park Board of the conditions imposed at the time of Mr. Delgado's $150,000 gift, but it would suffice if an ordinance were adopted by the City Council stating that it is enacted in the City's capacity as Universal Legatee of Isaac Delgado - that this Board is relieved of the conditions imposed at the time of the gift. Such action by the City Council would relieve this Board of its duty to oppose any plan for reorganization and enlargement of Delgado Museum of Art because of any alleged violation of the conditions imposed upon it by Mr. Delgado. Mr. Porterie took the matter up with Mr. Cassibry, who suggested that such a resolution be prepared to be presented at this Board meeting. Mr. de Verges presented a draft of the resolution to Mr. Cassibry, who suggested some revisions.

Mr. Porterie read the revised resolution to the Board, and Mr. de Verges moved that it be approved. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet did not vote. Copy of this resolution is attached to these minutes. If the City Council passes on this resolution, the suit will be dismissed.

Mr. Jahncke believes that the matter of City Park Board's representation on the Delgado Board can be worked out by him.

Mr. de Verges asked that action on the proposed change in by-laws with reference to the Legal Committee be deferred until the October meeting. The President has asked that members of this committee meet with him to endeavor to work out this matter.
The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Jack de Fee, President, N. O. Baseball Club, asking permission to increase the price of beer and hot dogs at the games. Mr. Laborde has investigated this matter and the P. & P. Amusement would object to the raising of hot dog prices. Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Laborde be authorized to grant permission to raise the price on local beer from 30¢ to 35¢ - the price of hot dogs to remain at 20¢. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Adopted.

Riding Academy

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Peter J. Panno and W. H. Alford, with reference to a proposition for a riding academy and bridle path in the park. Mr. de Verges moved that this matter be referred to a Special Committee named by the President. Motion seconded by Mr. Courret, put to a vote and carried.

Park Convention

In accordance with custom of previous years, a representative of the Board should attend the Park Convention in Philadelphia in September, but the President brought out the fact that City Hall had commented on the shortage of funds and suggested that attendance at conventions be curtailed. Mr. Whitmore moved that First Vice President Backer attend the convention. Mr. Henry seconded the motion. Mr. Backer declined with thanks. Mr. de Verges moved that the General Manager and his Assistant attend the convention. Mr. Feitel seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Board Meetings

In view of conditions that require attention, the President suggested that instead of the Board adjourning for the next three months, the next regular meeting be held on the fourth Monday in August at 8 p.m. - that there be no September meeting of the Board - and that the regular meetings resume on the third Sunday of October. Mr. de Verges made a motion to that effect, which was seconded by Mr. Dabezies, put to a vote and carried.

Mr. de Verges moved that a letter from Badeaux and Gisevius, received just before this meeting, with reference to John Camet, be turned over to the Chairman of the Golf Committee, with full authority. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Board member

The President announced that nominations for a new Board member were in order. Mr. Riehl nominated Mr. F. C. Gandolfo, Jr. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Mr. Dabezies moved that nominations be closed. Mr. Courret seconded the motion. Mr. Riehl moved that Mr. Gandolfo be elected to the Board. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.
The meeting adjourned at 10.20 p.m.

Herbert Juds
President

E. A. Scheuerman
Assistant Secretary
June 23, 1939.

Dear Fred:

In re: New Orleans City Park Improvement Association - Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association.

As special counsel, in furtherance of the various discussions had with reference to the reorganisation plan for Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association and the suit for declaratory judgment filed in connection therewith, I furnish you, on behalf of Herbert Jakobs as President of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, a copy of a resolution unanimously adopted last evening, Monday June 23, 1939 at a meeting of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association.

I trust this will suffice in the premises and that the City Council give due consideration to the contents of this resolution to the end that the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association may be reorganised in accordance with the plan heretofore proposed.

Thanking you for your co-operation in this matter,

I am,

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

LOUIS S. PORTERIE
b.o. Herbert C. Jakobs
Ed. J. DeVerges
Chas. L. Kiv et
Frank J. Stich, Jr.
Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.
Michael O'Keefe
Chas. Kehmeyer, Jr.
Mrs. E. H. Scheinmaydor

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MAYOR COUNCIL SERIES

BY: COUNCILMEN CASSIBRY and FITZMORRIS.

AN ORDINANCE providing for reorganization of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association.

WHEREAS, The City of New Orleans are the universal legatees of Isaac Delgado pursuant to Proceeding No. 99,204 of the Civil District Court, Parish of Orleans, entitled "Succession of Isaac Delgado" and,

WHEREAS, Isaac Delgado, during his lifetime, made a gift, with certain conditions, of $150,000.00 to the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association and,

WHEREAS, the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association was created to administer the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art in the New Orleans City Park, which was built, with that gift, by the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association and,

WHEREAS, there has been proposed by the Board of Administrators of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association a plan for reorganization and enlargement of the Board of Administrators of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association, which has been previously approved by this Council by resolution dated June 4, 1959 and,

WHEREAS, the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association has passed a resolution recommending to this City Council, in its capacity as the universal legatee of the Succession of Isaac Delgado, to relieve the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association of any condition imposed upon it by Isaac Delgado in connection with his gift of $150,000.00 for the erection of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art building and the creation of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association,

the New Orleans City

SECTION 1. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS HEREBY

ORDAINS, That, considering the foregoing, the City of New Orleans in its capacity as the universal legatee of the Succession of Isaac Delgado, does hereby relieve the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association.
Improvement Association of any and all conditions imposed upon it by Isaac Delgado in connection with his gift of $150,000.00 for the erection of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art building and the creation of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association and this City Council does reaffirm its approval of the plan for reorganization and enlargement of the Board of Administrators of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association whereby a greater civic representation in the management of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art will be achieved.

Adopted by the Council of the City of New Orleans JUL 9 - 1959

GLENN P. CLASEN
President of Council

Delivered to the Mayor on JUL 9 - 1959

Approved: JUL 10 1959

Return by the Mayor on JUL 10 1959 at 11:00 A.M.

ROGER L. SARRAT
CLERK OF COUNCIL

CLERK'S OFFICE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS JUL 10 1959

City Hall

I hereby certify to move to be a true and correct copy of 1701
Ordinance No.Mayor-Council Series as Officially promulgated and on file in Ordinance Book in this office.

CLERK OF COUNCIL
Board of Commissioners of City Park  
City Park  
New Orleans 19, Louisiana  
August 24, 1959

Board of Commissioners of City Park  
City Park  
New Orleans 19, Louisiana  

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

As authorized by the Park Board we advertised for bids for the construction of two of the four phases of City Park's third golf course consisting mainly of tree protection, land clearing, topsoil, stripping, and grading. Although several contractors were present at the bid opening, Monroe J. Wolfe Construction Company submitted the only bid for the sum of $89,500.00. After careful consideration by the Golf Committee, Monroe Wolfe's bid was rejected; his bid was in excess of the estimated cost for the construction of the entire nine holes. Fifteen additional men have been employed to clear the undeveloped section of the park where a portion of the new golf course will be constructed. These men whose salaries are being paid from the "New Golf Course Account" are doing an excellent job in clearing the land in areas where heavy equipment cannot be used. Our new chipping machine will greatly facilitate the golf course construction; it is being used to pulverize branches and shrubs four inches or less in diameter.

The matter referred to in Attorney Reginald Badeaux's letter dated June 22nd, 1959, relative to the Golf Driving Range instructor Mr. John Comet, was solved in a manner which seemed to have pleased everyone concerned. In lieu of the driving range instructors paying Mr. Henry Thomas our Golf Professional a commission for the privilege of giving driving range lessons, the instructors must now purchase a driving range lesson permit costing 50¢ for one half hour lesson; this 50¢ which heretofore was considered a part of Mr. Thomas' salary is now being deposited in the park's general fund. Mr. Thomas' salary has been increased $100.00 per month to compensate for the loss of revenue from golf lessons. It is estimated that the park will derive an amount in excess of $100.00 per month from the sale of driving range lesson permits. This increase is subject to adjustment on or about January 1, 1960.
The number of picnics in City Park has decreased approximately 30% from last year. This decrease may be attributed to the following reasons:

1. Park Integration.
2. Closing of Swimming Pool.
3. Excessive rain during summer months.
4. Discontinuation of Public School picnics by the Orleans Parish School Board.

Patronage of all other park facilities such as golf, driving range, tennis, baseball, etc., show an increase over last year.

The new comfort station located on the picnic grounds is now completed. This facility costing $10,911.00 was paid for by the City of New Orleans, designed by Mr. George Riehl, and constructed by Gurtler Habert & Co., Inc.

After several months delay, the N. O. Public School League's President, has signed the contract between the Prep League and the New Orleans City Park, for the use of the City Park stadium to play Prep League football games during the 1959-60 football season.

We recently purchased a Thermo Fax Electric copying machine. This machine although inexpensive is by far the best of several copying machines we have seen demonstrated; it is economic to operate and should greatly increase the efficiency in our office.

The 34th National Conference of Fraternal Order of Police was held in New Orleans last week; their program included a breakfast under McDonogh Oak where 712 people were served breakfast. The food was prepared and served by Delgado Trade School.

A special appropriation of approximately $7,500.00 is requested from the Board to purchase some badly needed equipment. This expenditure has been approved by our Finance Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
August 26, 1959

The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans,
New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

At the meeting of New Orleans City
Park Board held August 25, 1959, a resolution was adopted
providing that checks drawn against the account styled
NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, NEW GOLF
COURSE, SPECIAL ACCOUNT, be signed by

E. P. Laborde, General Manager

with any other authorized officer. 2 signatures required.

Please change your records accordingly.

Yours very truly,

NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK BOARD

Asst. Secretary
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Monday night, August 24, 1959, at 8 p.m. in the Board Room.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke and

Messrs. Wa.H. Couret
H. Dabadie
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Herman Farley
Arthur Feitel
F. J. Gandolfo
A. H. Generes
S. J. Gonzales
Geo. Grunhann
H. E. Heimy
Jas. J. Jamsem
F. D. Ketchum
J. C. Numgesser
George Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. Garic Schoen
F. J. Stich Jr.
Louis J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
F. E. Worthington

Excused
Messrs. A. F. Backer Sr.
E. A. Carrere
Ed J. de Verges
Wa. M. Garic
Earl R. LeCorgue
H. M. Wilkinson
Edwin L. Zander

Absent
Mr. P. H. Sitges

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Heimy.

The President welcomed Mr. F. J. Gandolfo to the Board.

The President then asked that the order of business be reversed as Mr. Feitel had to be excused and was greatly interested in the matter to be discussed. Mr. Feitel explained that Mr. Whitmore had been the leader in carrying on the Delgado Museum reorganization plan and that his services as President of the Delgado Board and the services of Mr. Rivet as Secretary are vitally needed by the Museum. Mr. Dreyfous reiterated Mr. Feitel's remarks, Mr. Grunhann and Mr. Riehl tendered their resignations as the Park Board's representatives on the Delgado Board, for the greater good of the Museum. Mr. Jahncke thanked them and expressed the gratitude of the Board for accepting an appointment to the Delgado Board when City Park Board needed them, and for resigning from the Delgado Board for the good of the Museum, and when the reorganization is complete City Park will have six representatives on the Delgado Board and he feels that these two gentlemen should be among the six.

During this discussion Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet had excused themselves; they now returned to the meeting.
Mr. Torre moved that the resignation of Mr. Grundmann and Mr. Riehl as representatives of this Board to the Delgado Board be accepted. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Humgesser moved that Messrs. Whitmore and Rivet be re-appointed to the Delgado Board as the representatives of this Board. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

The Assistant Secretary read the General Manager's report. Mr. Dabezies moved that it be received and that the action of the Finance Committee in approving the purchase of $7,500 needed equipment be ratified. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion. Adopted.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter of thanks from Mr. de Verges for flowers sent him during his illness.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported that work on #3 Golf Course is progressing satisfactorily. The chipping machine is doing a wonderful job. He thanked Mr. Riehl for the fine work done in designing the comfort station on the picnic grounds and Mr. Torre for the many hours he worked the park office during Mr. Hayes' illness.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Mr. Torre reported that all accounts agree.

SECRETARY- No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT.
Mr. Dufour reported that some concerts had to be re-scheduled, due to inconstant weather.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies reported that finances are in good shape. All bills are paid and the accounts of the Treasurer and the office agree.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
In Mr. LeCorgne's absence, Mr. Laborde reported that the new green house is being filled with cuttings of cretins, hybiscus and photinia glabra.

GOLF COMMITTEE
Dr. Ketchum thanked Mr. Riehl for designing the new Men's Recreation Room in the golf house and for the plan and drawing of #3 Golf Course, and the establishment of new holes on #1 golf course.

Dr. Ketchum reported that in spite of rain golf activities are going ahead; the Men's Recreation Room will be air-conditioned, and very attractive; another water cooler has been installed on golf course #2 and one will be installed on golf course #1. Golf Course #3 is progressing slowly but surely.
He moved that the General Manager be authorized to have a new check book printed for the bank account styled NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION NEW GOLF COURSE SPECIAL ACCOUNT, and that in order to facilitate the issuance of checks for expenditures connected with #3 golf course, the bank be notified that checks drawn against this account in the future will bear 2 signatures only - that of the General Manager and any one other previously authorized officer. Motion seconded by Mr. Dabezies, put to a vote and carried.

GROUND COMMITTEE
Mr. Richl thanked the President for dovetailing the Committees in such a way as to eliminate calling special committee meetings.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE- Mr. Grundmann reported a little progress.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
In the absence of Mr. de Verges, Mr. Rivet reported that he had attended various committee meetings, that the City Council had passed an ordinance relieving City Park Board of its duty to oppose the reorganization and enlargement plan of Delgado Museum and the suit was dismissed.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
In the Chairman's absence Mr. Jahncke reported that a meeting of that Committee was held at which representatives of the Orleans School Board were present to discuss and consider the Sixteenth Section matter. The Committee has decided to take no action at this time.

The Committee agreed that if and when a riding academy is established in City Park, it is to be built at the location shown on the master plan.

STADIUM COMMITTEE
Mr. Janssen asked the Assistant Secretary to read a letter received from Geo.W. Reese, Jr. with reference to the possibility of securing City Park Stadium for a football game for negro teams some time in December, preferably December 26. This game would be comparable to the Sugar Bowl Game in Tulane Stadium.

Mr. Janssen reported that no action has been taken. After a short discussion, at the President's suggestion, Mr. Generes moved that the matter be referred to the Stadium Committee, and that its recommendations be brought to the October meeting. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE- no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE. Mr. Heiny reported that tennis has been holding up nicely in spite of the weather.
MCFADDEN COMMITTEE.

In the absence of the Chairman the President asked Mr. Rivet to make the report. Mr. Rivet reported that a meeting had been held with Mr. Gilbert Bezou, a representative of E. A. Carrere's Real Estate Office, and Superior Foods Inc., who had given a proposal, on which no consideration has yet been given. On Mr. Bezou's request action was delayed as he expects to furnish us an additional proposal to be signed by Archbishop Rummel, Monsignor Bezou and the Christian Brothers. The listing contract with Carrere's office expires August 25 and Mr. Bezou requests an extension. The Committee recommends to the Board that the listing contract be extended 30 days, with the provision that any commission paid to the agent be paid as the rent is received, and not on the gross amount of the lease.

Mr. Whitmore moved that the recommendation of the McFadden Committee be adopted, and that no action be taken at this time, and that the E. A. Carrere Real Estate Office be given a 30 day extension on the listing contract. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Mr. Grundmann moved that if necessary, the Executive Committee be given power to act. Motion seconded and adopted.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE

Mr. Nungesser reported that a meeting of this committee was held with Messrs. Alford and Panne, at which Mr. Wiedorn was present. At Mr. Nungesser's request, further time was granted to consider this matter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Mr. Wm. M. Garcia, recommending that the golf fees be raised. Mr. Dabezies moved that this letter be referred to the Golf Committee. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The President will acknowledge a letter received from Councilman Fred Cassibry and James Fitzmorris, with reference to Delgado Museum, informing them of the action taken at this meeting.

Mr. Torre moved that the request of the Junior Chamber of Commerce for an area in the park for operation of Miniature Karts be deferred until we know how we stand with the Orleans Parish School Board. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Generes, seconded by Mr. Dabezies, and adopted unanimously, Mr. Gerald Ambrus was made an honorary member of City Park Board.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

(Area 1500 Acres)

NEW ORLEANS 19, LOUISIANA

October 18, 1959

Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

Hundreds of Golden Rain trees which bloomed in City Park for the first time in 1940 are again covered with large clusters of yellow and pink flowers. The oldest and most attractive Golden Rain trees may be seen around the conservatory and on Marconi Drive between Florida Avenue and Robert E. Lee Boulevard.

Several attempts were made in the past few years to obtain White Perch (Sac-a-lait) from the Federal Government and the Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission to re-stock the park's lagoons. Last week the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries donated and distributed approximately 8,000 White Perch in the park's lagoons. The re-stocking with Sac-a-lait was good news to many park fishermen.

The Commission Council approved funds for a one-step salary increase for all City employees of permanent status who will have at least six months service with the City Government prior to the effective date of the pay increase. This one-step salary increase effecting City Park employees with more than six months service will cost approximately $17,000 per annum. The necessary payroll forms have been prepared in detail and has been submitted to the Chief Administrative Officer. Salary increase will become effective the first pay period after Oct. 25, 1959.

We advertised for bids in the Times Picayune for the purchasing of the following equipment and have received several bids.

1 = Jeep
1 = 1/2 Ton Pick-up truck
1 = 2-ton Dump Body truck

Lowest bidder for 1960 Jeep was Mossy Motors Company... $1,998.32
" " 1/2 Ton Pick-up truck was GMC Motor Co.
(plus 1948 Ford pick-up truck) 1,475.00
" " 2-Ton Dump Body truck was N. O. Motor Co.
(plus 1953 Ford Dump Body truck) 2,680.25

These three vehicles costing $6,153.57 plus trade-in are part of the new equipment being purchased with the special appropriation of $7,500.00 approved by the Board in August.
October 18, 1959

No. 2

Board of Commissioners of City Park

Messrs. Herbert Jahncke, Joseph Bush, and myself attended the American Institute of Park Executives Convention in Philadelphia last month. It was most gratifying to learn from hundreds of Park Executives just how much the New Orleans Park Convention last year had been enjoyed. Future selected Park Conference Cities are:

- Long Beach, California = 1960
- Rochester, New York = 1961
- Kansas City, Missouri = 1962

The following Park Concessionaires whose lease expires December 31st, 1959, have requested a renewal of their lease for one or two years on the same terms and conditions as their existing lease.

- Tennis Supply Concession = Monthly rental $25.00
- Pony Concession = $40.00
- Bicycle Concession = $75.00
- Boating & Fishing Concession = $100.00

Mr. Harry Batt, Jr., President of Park Amusements Inc., has not as yet requested an extension of his lease for the privilege of operating mechanical rides and devices on the picnic grounds.

We submit for the Board’s consideration a plan received from the New Orleans Division of Traffic Engineer requesting permission to install a traffic signal at Mirabeau & Wisner Boulevard. The City Planning Commission has approved and recommended to the Commission Council $130,000 to re-design and signalize intersection of Marconi Drive, City Park and Orleans Avenues, and $20,000 to re-design intersection of City Park and North Carrollton Avenues.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, October 18, 1959, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and
Messrs.
A. L. Backer, Sr.
E. A. Carrere
Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabesies
Ed J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Herman Farley
Arthur Feitel
Wm. A. Garic
S. J. Gonzales
Geo. Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
J. J. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
Earl R. LeCorgne
Geo. Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. G. Schoen
F. H. Sitges
Frank J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Fr. R. Worthington
Edwin L. Zander

Excused:
Messrs.
A. H. Generes
J. C. Nungesser
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore

Absent
Mr. F. C. Gandolfo
Mr. H. M. Wilkinson

At the President's request the Board voted to change the order of business to permit Mr. Wm. J. Daze of California to show films of his U-Drive Motor Boats and to make a few comments. Mr. Daze feels that the people can best be served and the park and his company be better off financially if the site on the lake is
Salary increased

Mr. Dabezies moved that the Board approve an increase in salary for all classified and unclassified park employees, in accordance with list submitted at this meeting. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion, which was put to a vote and carried.

Traffic Lights

Mr. Dreyfous moved that the installation of a traffic light at Mirabeau and Wisner, as suggested by the City Engineer, be approved. Mr. Couret seconded the motion.

Mr. Feitel made a substitute motion that this installation, as well as the matter of redesigning and signalizing the intersection of Marconi Drive, City Park Avenue and Orleans Avenue, mentioned by the City Engineer, be referred to the Grounds Committee for study, with power to act. Mr. Garic seconded the motion. Substitute motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Dabezies moved that the City be requested to complete the study of the matter of a traffic signal at Carrollton Ave., City Park Ave. and Bayou St. John, and take action. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The General Manager's report was ordered received and filed.

The following communications were then read:

1. Letter from Supt. of Police Provosty Dayries, thanking for the use of the stadium for the Police Mutual Benevolent Assn. show in August.

2. Letter from Councilman Fred Cassibry, thanking the Board for helpful consideration the Delgado Museum matter.

3. Letter from Roy Stewart, Chairman of the Tournament Committee of N. O. Municipal Employees Club, expressing appreciation for cooperation received during their tournament on Golf Course No.1.
PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mr. Jahneck reported that the golden rain trees and candelabra plants are beautiful at this time and invited the members to drive around the park to see them and also to visit the green house, which is most gratifying. Badly needed equipment has been purchased. Golf Course No. 3 is progressing according to plan.

The meetings at the Philadelphia Park Convention were most interesting but the convention was in no way comparable to the New Orleans Convention. The compliments received on the New Orleans Convention were most gratifying; Mr. Laborde is highly thought of in park circles.

DELGADO MUSEUM

The program of renovation of Delgado Museum is under way. The total amount of private gifts for this purpose is $90,000. Mrs. Thurman, the Director, is doing a wonderful job; some valuable exhibits have been acquired and two new curators have been employed recently. There will be a show at Delgado Museum on November 2, from 8:30 to 10:30. The plan for the enlargement of Delgado Board and membership revision is being processed; it has been delayed but should be completed around the first of the year. Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet are working very hard and Mr. Laborde and his help have been of great assistance in the work being done at the Museum. Mr. Riehl moved that a vote of thanks be given Mr. Dreyfous and Mr. Feitel for services rendered Delgado Museum. Mr. Dabney seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

VICE PRESIDENTS—no report
TREASURER—Mr. Torre reported everything in order.
SECRETARY—no report
ADVISORY COMMITTEE—no report.

PARK AMUSEMENTS INC

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Park Amusements Inc. stating that due to decrease in gross revenues from rides in the park they would want their guarantee to the park to be reduced from $6,000 to $4,000, when the lease is renewed, still agreeing to pay 12½% of their gross revenues. After some discussion, Dr. Keetch moved that the matter be referred to the Concessions and Entertainment Committee for handling. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. de Verges moved that the matter of lease renewals to the pony concessionnaire, tennis supplies, bicycle, fishing and boating concessionnaires, be referred to the Concessions and Entertainment Committee; to be handled at its discretion. Motion seconded by Mr. Torre, put to a vote and carried.

U-Drive Motor boats

The President asked that some action be taken on the U-Drive Motor Boat matter and Mr. Dane be given an answer. Mr. Riehl moved, that this matter be assigned to a Special Committee composed of members of each committee. Mr. Garic seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.
FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies reported that finances are in good shape, thanks to golf and driving range receipts and moved that Mr. Laborde be authorized to purchase two new tractors before the end of this year. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE
Mr. LeCorgne reported that the candelabra plants and rain trees are beautiful and he recommended that Board members visit the greenhouse.

GOLF COMMITTEE
Dr. Ketchum reported that golf is progressing; new golfers are coming in, which is very encouraging; the Men's recreation room is about 95% complete under the supervision of the General Manager, the Assistant Manager, Mr. Riehl, the Pro and the Chairman of the Golf Committee. No. 3 golf course is progressing, some clearing has been done and beautiful oak trees have been found. Mr. Garic's letter with reference to increase in golf rates will be given every possible consideration.

GROUND Committee - Mr. Riehl reported everything in order.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE
Mr. Grundmann reported progress. He moved that he and Mr. Laborde be permitted to talk to Mr. Lorris Wimberly relative to obtaining money for the improvement of Bayou St. John, making no commitments, and that they report back to the Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Janssen, put to a vote and carried.

LEGAL COMMITTEE
Mr. de Verges reported that the only matter referred to him had been a copy of the McFadden House proposal.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Mr. Backer reported that the City will make no allotments to the park for 1960.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - There has been no meeting of this committee, but the park has had good publicity.

STADIUM COMMITTEE - Mr. Janssen reported that his Committee met October 9, to which meeting Mr. de Verges was invited. He moved that on recommendation of his Committee and Mr. Laborde, the request of Allen Page and Nathan King, promoters, for assignment of a date for a negro all-star baseball game be denied. Mr. Backer seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Janssen moved that the use of the stadium on December 26 be granted to the Delta Sports Association for a negro football game "comparable to the Sugar Bowl" between negro colleges, as requested, in accordance with commitments made, the rates to be established by the Stadium Committee; and that this Committee be given authority to act in this matter. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Carrere suggested that before fixing the rate, it be ascertained if this is a non-profit association, and in order to do this they be asked to furnish the proper form from the Internal Revenue Dept. showing them to be a tax-free organization.
Mr. Janssen moved that on recommendation of the Stadium Committee the stadium be made available to the Crescent City Sports Association for the "Flower Bowl Classic", a football game between two negro universities, subject to the usual rates and conditions, for any unassigned date, but not December 12. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and adopted unanimously.

SWIMMING POOL - no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE- Mr. Heiny reported that tennis is holding its own, and, with good weather, it is hoped that receipts will improve.

MC FADDEN COMMITTEE- Mr. Backer reported that his committee unanimously recommends that the board accept a proposition made by the Christian Brothers for a school in McFadden House, as this is the best offer received. Mr. Gilbert Bezon of the real estate office of E. A. Carrere & Sons has brought this client. Mr. Backer read a proposal made by the Christian Brothers, through their Provincial Brother Conrad.

Mr. de Verges moved that if a plat is required, the Park pay for it. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. de Verges moved that if the committee is not successful in having the clause of commission on any extended renewal struck from the standard lease, that the park pay this commission. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Carrere asked to be excused during this discussion as it concerned the Carrere interests.

Mr. Backer moved that the proposal of the Christian Brothers be accepted and that the McFadden Committee be authorized to advertise for bids on the McFadden House, according to specifications as prepared by the Committee, which specifications are in Mr. Laborde's office. Motion seconded by Mr. Grundmann, put to a vote and carried. Mr. Dreyfous voted against the motion as he is in favor of demolishing the house and restoring for park purposes.

Dr. Ketchum moved that the 8th Naval Station be permitted to remain in the radio station until February 1960. Mr. Beiny seconded the motion. Adopted. Mr. Rivet voted against the motion, as he has in the past.

Mr. Johncke advised that Mr. Warren Alford has requested more time on the Riding Academy matter.
Mr. Grundmann moved that the President be authorized to permit the successful contractor on the Pontchartrain Boulevard Expressway Extension to deposit the excess fill in the north end of the park. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. There was a discussion as to the possibility of having the good and bad fill separated, and Mr. Jahncke answered that it would be possible to have this done.

The meeting adjourned at 1:03.

[Signatures]

[Name]
President

[Name]
Asst. Secretary
November 2nd, 1959

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, President
Board of Commissioners of City Park
814 Howard Avenue
New Orleans 12, Louisiana

Dear Herbert:

I have given consideration to the named members of the Board of Commissioners of New Orleans City Park Improvement Association (hereinafter referred to as City Park) submitted for nomination as accredited representatives of City Park to serve on the Board of Administrators of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art Association (hereinafter referred to as Delgado), for terms as will be provided for by Delgado's charter when amended, and which I understand from you will become effective January 1, 1960.

I have particularly noted that the name of Mr. George J. Grundmann is not included among the nominees.

Considering the following circumstances which I will review in chronological order, viz:

At the May 14, 1959 special meeting of City Park, Messrs. Charles L. Rivet and Charles E. Whitmore, who had been accredited to Delgado by City Park, and whose term as extended expire respectively on December 31, 1959 and December 31, 1962, tendered their resignations to City Park effective immediately.

At the May 25, 1959 regular meeting of City Park, Messrs. George J. Grundmann and George Riehl were nominated and elected as accredited members of City Park on Delgado Board to serve for the unexpired terms of Messrs. Whitmore and Rivet.

At the August 24, 1959 meeting of City Park, Messrs. Grundmann and Riehl did, upon Messrs. Whitmore and Rivet withdrawing their respective resignations previously submitted to City Park, consent to withdraw as City Park's accredited members to Delgado. This was done, as I recall, upon assurance that they would be named to Delgado's Board as proposed to be enlarged and which would allow City Park SIX (6) board members,
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS OF ISAAC DELGADO MUSEUM OF ART ASSN.

according to draft of proposed charter as submitted to City Park.

and the commitment to George J. Grundmann, I feel in conscience that Mr. Grundmann's name should be substituted in place of one of the other nominees. This would, if not for the reasons as hereinafter stated, require serious consideration as to which of the six named nominees from City Park should be eliminated, because, they are all men of outstanding ability and integrity.

The only circumstance other than the commitment to Mr. Grundmann which justifies eliminating one of the named nominees, is the question of perpetuation in office.

Considering the publicly expressed requirement by the City Council, when Delgado was a cause célèbre, that City Park cease the policy it had followed of accrediting the same members to Delgado Board to succeed themselves, I am of the opinion that Delgado Board, which as now composed includes two members of the City Council, would not approve City Park resuming a policy that the City Council insisted be discontinued.

The only accredited member of City Park to Delgado whose term will expire before January 1, 1960 is Mr. Charles Rivet, which though unfortunate, because of the invaluable service we are informed he has rendered to Delgado, does not justify City Park Board deviating from the policy it adopted at the demands of the City Council, for reasons as heretofore stated; therefore, for this reason coupled with the commitment to Mr. Grundmann, I have with reluctance substituted Mr. Grundmann's name for Mr. Rivet.

I am providing a copy of this letter which I will thank you to make available to Delgado Board.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

ED. J. deVERGES

EJdeV/FPD

encl.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

An inspection of the McFadden home heating and electrical system was made by the City of New Orleans, Division of Regulatory Inspection. A report signed by Mr. Leo J. Vivien, Chief Inspector for the Division, stated there were no conditions found in the McFadden home warranting attention, and that when the building is occupied, proper operating certificates will be issued to tenant.

Despite numerous obstacles having to be overcome, work on the Park's new 9-hole golf course is progressing. The following work has been completed.

a) Ground clearing - approximately 75% complete.
b) Number one green - 50%
c) " five " - 65%
d) " five tee - 90%
e) " six green - 65%
f) " seven green - 75%
g) Fairways four & seven - 65%

The large swales which provide good drainage for the new golf course area have been dug. All the above mentioned construction plus greens number 3 - 4 and 6 will be constructed with dirt which was available from the shores of the Blue Lagoon. If the present rate of construction can be maintained, the first nine holes should be completed by the latter part of 1960. The cost of construction thus far amounting to $10,234.24 is slightly less than our estimated cost.

The new men's meeting room in the Golf Club House, measuring 18 x 24 feet has been completed. Although the room has just been opened, many favorable comments from golfers using this new facility have been received.

A casting tournament will be held from the City Park Casting platform near Harrison Avenue on Sunday, November 30th between members of the New Orleans Casting Club and the Minnesota Casting Club. Minnesota's Governor, Orville Freeman will participate in the tournament.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

A special appropriation of $3,500 is requested from the Board to overhaul the park's equipment and replace sound system in Storyland.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
At any one of the above mentioned places, the person named in the receipt
will be paid the amount due on the date of the receipt.

As per the terms and conditions of the receipt, the amount due will be
paid on the date of the receipt.

Do not sign

Date

(3)

Signed

(2)

Address:

(1)

LAWRENCE BUCKEY

In a sentence summarizing the decision of the court, it
is clear that the court was correct in its decision.

Now the burden is on the defendant to prove that
the accused is innocent.

THE THERAPY FUND was not the intended
beneficiary of the trust fund set up by the
-ray fund, which was established for the use of music
supporting music education, but the fund was to be
used in the music program, and from the proceeds
received by the fund, the committee was to be
rewarded.

Dear Ms. Baker,

New Orleans 12, Louisiana,

City Park, Metropolitan Association, New Orleans City Park Improvement Board, P. Baker, Chairman

November 13, 1969

New Orleans, LA.

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MUSIC THERAPY FUND - McFADDEN HOME -

financially responsible, but who is possessed of the ability, capacity -- requisite and necessary to perform contract according to terms.

This letter is intended to supplement my opinion dated November 11th., 1939.

Cordially,

ED. J. deVERGES

EJdeV/PD
The regular meeting of N. O. City Park Board was held Sunday morning, November 15, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room, a quorum being present, as follows:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and

Messrs.

A. F. Backer
Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabiezies
Ed J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Arthur Feitel
F. C. Gandolfo, Jr.
Wm. N. Garic
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
Geo. Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
Herbert Jahncke
James S. Janssen
Fred D. Ketchum
Earl R. LeCorgne
J. Chris Nungesser
George Riehl
Charles L. Rivet
Frank J. Stich
Louis J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
Edwin L. Zander
F. R. Worthington

Excused

Messrs.
H. E. Farley
A. H. Generes
P. H. Sitges

Absent

Messrs.
Ernest A. Carrere Jr.
J. Garic Schoen
H. M. Wilkinson

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted on motion of Mr. Backer, seconded by Mr. Torre.

The Assistant Secretary read the General Manager's report, which was acted upon as follows:
Mr. Dufour moved that the sum of $3,500 be appropriated to overhaul park equipment and replace the sound system in Storyland. Mr. Dabezies, Chairman of the Finance Committee, advised that funds are available, and seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. The report of the General Manager was received and filed on motion of Mr. Heiny, seconded by Mr. Grundmann.

The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:

1. Mr. C. E. Whitmore in appreciation for birthday remembrance.
2. Mr. A. F. Fischer, Asst. Scout Executive, thanking for assistance in making the Scout rally a success.
3. Mr. John J. Porte, Principal Asst. Engineer, Sewerage & Water Board, thanking Mr. Laborde for having made park facilities available to the Arrangement Committee during the recent American Water Works Assn. Convention.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Mr. Jahncke reported the following:

Capital Imp. Funds

He and Mr. Laborde appeared before the Commission Council in connection with recommendation for 1960 capital improvement funds. They requested $12,000 for additional vehicle parking in the vicinity of the Casino, $60,000 for golf course #3 and $14,000 for drainage work in the north end of the park. The Commission Council gave them a courteous reception and took the matter under advisement. It has since been learned that the only item that has been included is the $14,000 for drainage.

Delgado Museum

During the past month the selection of representatives to the Delgado Museum Board came up for consideration and the President sent out a ballot to all members of this Board. 28 members sent in their ballot and the results were as follows: Mr. Dreyfous 21, Mr. Feitel 28, Mr. Grundmann 15, Mr. Jahncke 28, Mr. Riehl 25, Mr. Rivet 23, Mr. Whitmore 28. Mr. Jahncke again expressed appreciation to Messrs. Grundmann and Riehl for having accepted appointment to the Delgado Board when this Board needed them, and for having graciously resigned when that became necessary so that the reorganization program might go through. The formal opening of the Museum and Art Showing were held November 2 and Mr. Jahncke complimented Messrs. Wellborn, Torre, Backer and Laborde for attending.

Two bids have been received for the McFadden House- this will be covered in the Special Committee report.

16th Section At the School Board's request, a special committee composed of Mr. Riehl, Mr. Gandolfo, Mr. Laborde and Mr. Jahncke (Mr. deVerges was invited but could not attend) met with Mr. O. Perry Walker, Asst. Supt. of the School Board, Dr. Stanley Fitzpatrick, Director of Research and Mr. Charles Wusthoff,
Director of Construction, to discuss the 16th section matter.

Mr. Jahncke told the School Board representatives that the matter would be given consideration by our Committee who would meet with them after additional research had been made. Mr. Jahncke named the following gentlemen on a Special Committee to handle this problem: Mr. Gandolfo, Chairman, Mr. de Verges and Mr. Riehl.

The election of officers will be held at the next regular board meeting, December 20. Mr. Jahncke recommends that the incoming President give consideration to a suggestion made by Mr. de Verges—that the by-laws be amended so that a standing Nominating Committee can be appointed not only in connection with nominations for officers but for the consideration of new members to the Board.

Mr. Dabezies moved that the action of the President in connection with nominations to the new Delgado Museum Board be approved and that the Delgado Museum matter be closed. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. de Verges asked that copy of his letter to Mr. Jahncke in connection with Delgado Museum Board nominations be made part of the minutes.

Vice Presidents—no report.

Treasurer—Mr. Torre reported everything in order.

Secretary—no report.

Advisory Committee—no report.

Planning & Development Committee—no report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dufour asked that the Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Park Amusements, Inc. with reference to its lease and then recommended that City Park advertise for bids, in accordance with the usual procedure, and that the other small leases namely: boating, fishing, bicycle, tennis shop and pony concessions be extended for a one year period.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies reported that thanks to golf, finances are in good shape.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Mr. LeCorgne reported that 12,000 pansy plants have been planted and urged that all Board members visit the greenhouse, which is at its best.

GOLF COMMITTEE.
Dr. Ketchum reported that conditions on Golf Course #3 are most pleasing—good soil has been found, the construction of the course is rapid, and the financial end of it is above expectations. Winter tees are being constructed at the driving range and are 40% complete.
They will pay for themselves in 6 months; as they will permit the use of driving range facilities immediately after a hard rain, and will therefore increase the play.

The Golf Recreation Room in the Club House has been completed and is most attractive. Dr. Ketchum invited the members to visit it after this meeting.

At a Golf Committee meeting, Mr. Garic's suggestion with reference to increased golf fees was considered; it was the thought of the committee that this is an inopportune time, as playing must be encouraged in the winter, but the matter will be given serious consideration in the early spring. 1959 is the best year golf has ever had.

GROUND COMMITTEE.
Mr. Riehl reported that trenches have been dug for the control lights at the intersection of Marconi and Mirabeau and the standards will be put up shortly.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Grundmann reported progress.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.
Mr. de Verges reported that nothing was referred to him as a Committee.

STADIUM COMMITTEE.
Mr. Janssen reported that Nathan King, promoter, has been advised that his request for a post season baseball game has been denied by the Board. The Crescent City Sports Association has withdrawn its application for the Flower Bowl football game in December 1959. Mr. Dabezies moved that the Delta Sports Association matter be placed in the hands of the Stadium Committee, in consultation with the Legal Affairs Committee and the General Manager, with authority to act. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Riehl voted against the motion.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Mr. J. H. Dearie, requesting that City Park Stadium be renamed the John P. Brechtel Stadium. It was unanimously decided that Mr. Dearie be advised that the Board has declined this request.

SWIMMING POOL— no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Heiny reported good publicity for the tennis courts. The Sugar Bowl is interested in having tournaments on City Park courts. It will be necessary to purchase about 600 bags of rubico material to keep the courts in good shape. The total cost of the material, freight and tennis tape will be about $1,800. The tennis Committee recommends the following increases in tennis fees, effective January 1, 1960, to take care of this expenditure:

Increase in tennis fees
RUBICO COURTS:
Daytime from 40¢ to 50¢ per hour
Nights 75¢ to $1.00

CENTURY COURTS
Daytime from 35¢ to 40¢ per hour
 Nights - to remain at present rate of 75¢ per hour.

Mr. Laborde feels that the increase is in order and the President believes that when the players know that the increase will mean the improvement of the courts they will not object.

Mr. Heiny moved that the above increases become effective 1/1/60 and that when the Club contracts expire, the matter be brought before the Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Riehl, put to a vote and carried.

McFADDEN COMMITTEE
Mr. Backer reported that bids for rental of the McFadden House were opened November 5th. Two bids were submitted: one from the Christian Brothers for $7,200 per year, and the other from the Music Therapy Fund through Mr. Durel Black, for $7500 per year. Mr. Black was present at the opening of the bids, and later met with the committee, but the whole matter seemed to be vague. There is no assurance as to where the money would come from and it is not clear what the building will be used for.

Mr. Backer reported that it is the recommendation of his Committee that the Christian Brothers would be the best tenant since they are in position to carry out all terms of the specifications. He moved that considering the oral discussion of the matter with Mr. Durel Black, it has been determined that leasing the McFadden House to the Music Therapy Fund would not be to the best interest of City Park, and that since the next highest bidder, the Christian Brothers, have met every specification, the building be leased to them at a rental of $7,200 per year for ten years and nine months, plus the improvements as stated in the specifications. Messrs. Dabezies, Dufour and Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Dreyfous voted no, as he still feels that the building should be demolished.

Mr. Jahncke thanked the McFadden Committee for a job well done.

Mr. Jahncke asked Mr. Gandolfo to make a few remarks on the 16th section matter, with which he is familiar, then suggested that Messrs. Gandolfo, de Verges and Riehl, the appointed Committee, handle the matter.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE
Mr. Nungesser reported that a letter had been received from Mr. Warren H. Alford, with reference to the riding academy. This letter, which the Asst. Secretary read to the Board, was dated 11/14/59; it had been received too late for consideration by the Committee. Mr. Whitmore moved that the matter be referred to the committee for study and report to the Board at the next meeting. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Motion adopted.
Mr. Riehl will report on the Daze U-Drive Boat matter at the next meeting.

The President advised that the Commission Council meets November 16, 1959, to consider the 1969 Operating Budget for City Park, and that he, Mr. Backer and Mr. Laborde will attend the meeting.

Mr. Jahncke reported that the contractor with whom he had discussed the matter of fill for the north end of the park was not the successful bidder, and the successful bidder is trying to sell the fill.

Mr. Jahncke complimented Mr. Riehl for the important part which he had in the development of the new Moisant Airport Terminal.

Adjournment 12.15.
Mr. Janssen read a letter from Lou Bell, Adm. Assistant of the Trailer Coach Assn. of Los Angeles, asking to be allowed to bring a caravan of about 125 trailers from the west coast to New Orleans for a five day period for Mardi Gras, to park in the parking area around the stadium, at a rental of $3.50 each daily. After discussion Mr. Janssen moved that the matter be approved in a general way, the details to be worked out by the Stadium Committee, the Legal Committee and the General Manager. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried - Messrs. Whitmore, Riehl and Feitel voting no. Mr. Riehl objects to the use of the Marconi Drive entrance by the caravan.

TENNIS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Heiny reported that 1959 has been a good year for tennis. At the beginning of 1960 rubico material will be purchased to resurface 18 courts.

The President discharged the McFadden House Committee with appreciation for a job well done.

Mr. Riehl asked to be permitted to make the Daze U Drive Boat report at the next meeting.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE.
Mr. Nungesser reported that his committee met with representatives of the Riding Academy group to discuss their specifications and the committee is now preparing its specifications. He moved that the Riding Academy Committee be instructed to advertise for proposals, subject to specifications, which are to be available in the General Manager’s office - the final decision to rest with the Board. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

SPECIAL 16th SECTION COMMITTEE.
Mr. Gandolfo reported that he met with the attorney for the School Board who was surprised to learn of the Supreme Court decision as to legality of the School Board’s claim; however, the attorney claims it is common knowledge that the School Board owns this land.

Under the heading of unfinished business, Mr. Whitmore advised that a benefactress has offered to pay the cost of designing and installing a garden for statuary on the north side entrance of Delgado Museum, within the circle, and he asked that City Park Board agree to this. After discussion Mr. Dreyfous moved that the Delgado Board be authorized to permit this benefactress to pay for designing a garden on the north side entrance within the circle for placing sculpture and other embellishments, subject to approval of City Park Board. Mr. Feitel seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Whitmore voted no.

Mr. Dabezies moved that the usual Christmas bonus be given park employees. Mr. Nungesser seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.
Mr. de Verges moved that the General Manager, the Assistant General Manager, and the Assistant Secretary be reappointed for the coming year at their present salaries. Mr. Courcet seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

At Mr. Laborde's suggestion Dr. Ketchum moved that Henry Thomas be given free rent for golf display room, as a further adjustment of his salary. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Adopted unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Mr. de Verges nominated Mr. Albert Backer for the presidency. Dr. Ketchum seconded the nomination. Mr. Sitges moved that nominations be closed. Mr. Backer was elected President by acclamation. Mr. Backer thanked the Board for the honor and promised to do his very best.

Mr. Dabezies nominated Mr. Earl LeCorgne as First Vice President. Mr. Carrere seconded the nomination. Mr. Nungesser moved that nominations be closed. Mr. LeCorgne was elected First Vice President by acclamation.

Mr. de Verges nominated Mr. George Riehl as Second Vice President. Mr. Backer seconded the nomination. Mr. Gonzales moved that nominations be closed. Mr. Riehl was elected Second Vice President by acclamation.

Mr. Dabezies nominated Mr. Louis Torre as Treasurer. Mr. Dufour seconded the nomination. Mr. Torre was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Mr. de Verges nominated Mr. Maurice Dufour as Secretary. Mr. Nungesser seconded the nomination. Mr. Dufour was elected Secretary by acclamation.

Mr. Dabezies presented a silver platter to the outgoing President with appropriate remarks—a gift from the members of the Board. Mr. Jahncke accepted the gift with thanks and assured the Board that he had enjoyed his year as President and he hopes that whatever contributions he has made have been worthwhile.

Adjournment 12.10.

[Signature]
Assistant Secretary

[Signature]
President
Board of Commissioners of City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana
December 20, 1959

Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the policy of the City Park Board, I am pleased to submit this 68th annual report listing some of the major accomplishments and activities in City Park during 1959.

1. Completed a 42 ft by 104 ft. greenhouse and connected same to old McFadden Greenhouse . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $ 12,000.00
   There are now more than 2,500 plants of many varieties in the new Greenhouse.

2. Eliminated a hazardous condition on Wisner Boulevard by planting Sweet Olives between Wisner Blvd. and the Number two Golf Course, a distance of 600 feet. Approximate cost $ 1,000.00.

3. Planted many different varieties of outstanding Amaryllis bulbs, Rose bushes, Hibiscus, and Shrubs throughout the park at a cost of $2,500.00.

4. Mr. Jimmie Papworth, proprietor of Metairie Nursery, donated 2,648 assorted plants to City Park. These plants are valued at $2,250.00.

5. Constructed new Comfort Station on Picnic Grounds $ 10,911.00.

6. Constructed and furnished an 18' x 24' meeting room at the Golf Club House $4,250.00.

7. Started the construction of a third golf course in City Park. First nine holes are approximately thirty percent completed. The cost of construction thus far amounting to $16,075.03 is slightly less than estimated. If the present rate of construction can be maintained, the first nine holes should be completed by the latter part of 1960.

8. Constructed a 10 ft by 440 ft. Golf Tee Line with a bituminous composition, and installed All Weather Golf Tee Mats and Automatic Tees at a cost of $2,075.00.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

9. Installed electric water cooler on No. 2 golf course and constructed 400 feet of walkways . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $ 760.00

10. All underground gas mains in City Park were checked; wherever gas leaks were found the necessary repairs were made. This work was done with the full cooperation of N.O. Public Service Inc.

11. Leased McFadden Home to the Christian Brothers for ten years and nine months at an annual rental of $7,200. plus $20,000. for interior renovation.


13. All Park employees were given a one step salary increase. Funds for this increase which amounts to $17,000. per annum is being provided by the City of New Orleans.

14. Purchasing of new equipment $ 16,748.73.

15. Re-surfaced (8) Tennis Courts with Rubico material $ 550.00.

16. Hauling and spreading 3,026 cubic yards of sand on golf courses, driving range, and other sections of the park $ 4,051.80.

17. Improved landscaping and erected fountain on Swan Island.

18. Added $2,000. to Park's "Suspense Payroll Benefit Account". This account which amounts to $7,730.38 will be used to provide Civil Service benefits for the park employees.

19. Restocked the Park lagoons with 8,000 White Perch (Sac-a-lait).

20. Installed new traffic signal lights at Harrison and Marconi, and at Wisner and Mirabeau at a cost of $10,200.00.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

Our President and Finance Committee approved a Park operating budget of $413,400, for the year 1960. Approximately 74½% or $308,000, is for payroll; 25½% or $105,400, is for the complete park operation excluding payroll. Our City budget appropriation of $217,000, represents approximately 52½% of park’s operating cost or 74½% of our employees payroll. The park through it’s own earnings from concessions, golf, driving range, tennis, stadium, etc., provides approximately 47½% or $196,400, towards the park’s operation. Funds received from Golf Facility Improvement and New Golf Course Fee is not included in the above mentioned amounts as these funds are dedicated for a specific purpose.

The following major activities were held in City Park this year.

March of Dimes parade in which Roy Rogers participated.
Tom Bartlett National Water Show.
(68) Driving Range clinics including Golf Exhibition by Paul Hahn and Art Ashton.
Breakfast under McDonogh Oak for National Conference of Fraternal Order of Police.
(1) National and numerous Inter Organizational Golf Tournaments.
(68) Tennis Tournaments including State Championship.
(38) Football games.
(62) Professional Baseball Games.
(65) Track Meets.
(14) Summer Concerts and (1) Police Show.

The number of school picnics held in City Park decreased approximately 30% from last year. This decrease may be attributed to the following reasons.

a) Park Integration.
b) Closing of Swimming Pool.
c) Excessive rain during summer months.
d) Discontinuation of Public School picnics by the Orleans Parish School Board.
During the first year of integration in City Park, some difficult unpleasant and potential troublesome situations had to be met. The excellent cooperation received from the Park Board and the New Orleans Police Department enabled us to operate the park with a minimum of disagreeable consequences.

Judge Frank J. Stich, a City Park Board Member since September 17, 1936, died on February 17, 1959. Mr. Frank Stich, Jr. was elected on April 27th to succeed Judge Stich. Mr. Gerald Andrus resigned from the Park Board effective April 24, 1959; Mr. F. C. Gandolfo was elected on June 22nd to succeed Mr. Andrus.

The floral arrangements for our Board meeting was donated by Mr. Heman Farley and the park's 68th Anniversary cake was donated by Judice's bakery of 2113 N. Claiborne Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
# NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## BUDGET

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**APPROVED 1960 CITY PARK BUDGET**

**Herbert S. Brouck**
Herbert S. Brouck, President

**H. Dabezies**
H. Dabezies, Chairman Finance Committee

**Albert F. Becker**
Albert F. Becker, Vice Chairman Finance Committee

**Wm. H. Couret**

**Louis J. Parre**
Chas. E. Whitmore

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**Ellis P. Laberda**
Ellis P. Laberda, General Manager
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RESOLUTIONS
CONFIRMING ACCOUNT
SIGNING
ENDORSING
OTHER MATTERS

1. Ella M. Schoenayre Secretary of N. O. City Park Improvement Ass'n.
do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of certain resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of said Corporation, at a meeting thereof duly called and held the 20th day of December, 1959; a quorum being present and voting, and that said resolutions have been entered upon the regular minute book of the Corporation:

RESOLVED, that the officers and agents of this corporation be and they hereby are, and each of them is, authorized to endorse and/or deposit, from time to time, any funds of this Corporation, and/or any checks, drafts, notes, or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, or other instruments or orders for the payments of money to or for account of this Corporation, with the National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans and/or any of the branches of the said Bank, and/or to cause any such funds, and/or checks, drafts, notes or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, to be transferred or paid out to or for account of this Corporation. The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans is hereby designated as a depositary of this Corporation, and the opening heretofore of any account and/or the making of any deposit or transfer or payment of any funds and/or checks, drafts, notes or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, to other instruments or orders for the payment of money to or for account of this Corporation, in said Bank or any of its branches, by the officers or agents of this Corporation, is hereby ratified, approved and confirmed. Until further orders of the Board of Directors, said officers and agents of this Corporation are, and each of them is, authorized to withdraw and/or transfer any and all moneys, funds, instruments, credits or property at any time on deposit with or held by said Bank or any of its branches in the name of, or for account of this Corporation, upon checks, drafts, letters of instructions, or other instruments or orders for the payment of money, or otherwise against the account or in the name, or on behalf of this Corporation, and made, given or signed or endorsed by

E. P. Labordes, General Manager, or Joseph E. Bush, Asst. Genl. Mgr.

(State number of signatures required)

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans be and it hereby is authorized and requested to accept, honor, cash and pay or transfer, without limit as to amount, with further inquiry, and until written notice of the revocation of the authority hereby granted is actually received by said Bank, all funds and/or checks, drafts, notes, or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, and other instruments and orders for the payment of money or otherwise, when drawn, made, given, signed or endorsed as by the foregoing resolution provided, whether the same be against an account standing in the name of this Corporation, or in the name of any such officer or agent of this Corporation as such, including all such instruments payable or endorsed to the order of this Corporation and/or payable or endorsed to the personal order of the officer or officers, or agent or agents, signing on behalf of the Corporation or any other officer or officers or agent or agents of this Corporation, or otherwise, whether tendered in payment of the individual obligation or deposited to the personal account of any such officer or officers or agent or agents, or otherwise.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Bank shall at all times be protected in recognizing as such officers and/or agents the persons named in certificate signed by any officer of this Corporation, even though such certificate be the certificate of one of the officers or agents who is himself authorized to act herein.

I further certify that neither of the foregoing resolutions has been modified or repealed, but that each thereof is in full force and effect.

I further certify that the following are the genuine signatures of the persons now the officers and/or agents of this Corporation, authorized to act herein, as indicated opposite their respective signatures.

Albert P. Backer, Sr.
NAME

(Name)
(President)

Earl F. LeCorgne
NAME

(Name)
1st (Vice President)

George Risch
NAME

(Name)
And Vice Pres.

Louis J. Terre
NAME

(Name)
Treasurer

E. P. Labordes
NAME

(Name)
General Manager

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Corporation this 23rd day of December, 1959.

Asst. Secretary must sign
RESOLUTIONS  
CONFIRMING ACCOUNT  
SIGNING  
ENDORSENG  
OTHER MATTERS

I.

Ella M. Schenaydre Asst. Secretary of N. O. City Park Improvement Assn. do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of certain resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of said Corporation, at a meeting thereof duly called and held the 20th day of December, 1959; a quorum being present and voting, and that said resolutions have been entered upon the regular minute book of the Corporation:

RESOLVED, that the officers and agents of this corporation be and they hereby are, and each of them is, authorized to endorse and/or deposit, from time to time, any funds of this Corporation, and/or any checks, drafts, notes, or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, or other instruments or orders for the payments of money to or for account of this Corporation, with the National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans and/or any of the branches of the said Bank, and/or to cause any such funds, and/or checks, drafts, notes or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, to be transferred or paid out to or for account of this Corporation. The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans is hereby designated as a depositary of this Corporation, and the opening heretofore of any account and/or the making of any deposit or transfer or payment of any funds and/or checks, drafts, notes or the proceeds thereof after discount or rediscount, to be transferred or paid out to or for account of this Corporation. The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans is hereby ratified, approved and confirmed. Until further orders of the Board of Directors, said officers and agents of this Corporation are, and each of them is, authorized to withdraw and/or transfer any and all moneys, funds, instruments, credits or property at any time on deposit with or held for account of this Corporation, upon checks, drafts, letters of instructions, or other instruments or orders for the payment of money, or otherwise against the account or in the name, or on behalf of this Corporation, and made, given or signed or endorsed by


and be it

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Corporation this 20th day of December, 1959.

Asst. Secretary must sign
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, 12/20/59, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room, a quorum being present as follows:

Mr. Herbert Jahncke, Chairman, and

Messrs.
A. F. Backer, Sr.
Ernest A. Carrere Jr.
Wm. H. Couret
H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dafour
Arthur Feitel
F. C. Gandolfo, Jr.
Wm. M. Garic
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
H. E. Heiny
James S. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
E. R. LeCorgne
J. C. Nungesser
George Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. Garic Schoen
F. H. Sitges
F. J. Stich
L. J. Torre
A. Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
Edwin L. Zander
F. R. Worthington

Excused: Messrs. H. E. Farley and George Grundmann

Absent: Messrs. A. H. Generes and H. M. Wilkinson

Mr. Jahncke opened the meeting with the announcement that the ten year terms of 2 Board members, Mr. Backer and Dr. Zander, expired 12/18/59. Mr. Gonzales moved that Mr. Backer and Dr. Zander be reappointed to the Board for another 10 years. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

The President advised that he had invited the 2 honorary members of the Board to this meeting - Mr. Andrus sent his excuses and he had received no word from Mr. Koch. Mr. Farley had sent his excuses due to pressing business and Mr. Grundmann has been ill; each member of the Board was asked to sign a "get well" card to be sent to Mr. Grundmann.
The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Heiny.

The Assistant Secretary read the General Manager's annual report. The President congratulated Mr. Laborde on the outstanding work he had done. Mr. Nungesser moved that this report be accepted with commendation. Mr. Backer seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

The following communications were read:

1. Letter from Msgr. Henry C. Bezeu, expressing appreciation for the rental of the McFadden House to the Christian Brothers.

2. Letter from F. T. Gormley, requesting an advancement of 21 days of sick leave in accordance with Civil Service rules, and, because of his physical condition, requesting that he be put on half time at a minimum of $200 a month. Mr. Jahncke stated that Mr. Laborde had expended much effort to work this out for Mr. Gormley, that Civil Service had approved Mr. Gormley's request and that he had been so advised. Mr. de Verges moved that the action taken in this connection be approved. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Mr. Jahncke told the Board that as is customary at the December meeting he, as retiring President, would make a report to cover the highlights of the activities of the past year, make recommendations and proposals for future consideration. Details of the year have been fully covered in the General Manager's report. 1959 has been a successful year- the park's 68th year.

One year ago the Supreme Court decreed that there should be no segregation in City Park, and at the December 1958 Board meeting the General Manager was instructed to carry out this decree. In anticipation of trouble the Advisory Committee was asked to stand ready to attend meetings in connection with problems which might arise in this connection. Fortunately, it was only necessary to call one meeting. The City assigned additional police to the park; additional rest rooms have been provided, it was decided not to open the swimming pool, and there have been no serious major incidents, for which we should be very thankful.

After much work and planning we were successful in beginning the construction of golf course No. 3. Though we were unable to secure an appropriation we went along with limited funds accumulated through increased golf fees. The first 9 holes are 30% complete and we are hopeful that
additional funds can be found so that the work may proceed without further delay. Much credit is due Dr. Ketchum and his fine Golf Committee.

Another problem this year was leasing the McFadden House. A lease has been signed with the Christian Brothers for 10 years and 9 months. The building will be used as a school for exceptional boys. Credit is due Mr. Backer and the Special Committee.

The Delgado Museum Board had taken steps to revitalize the Museum and to do this it was necessary to increase the Board. Under this plan City Park Board would not have control, and the legal counsel advised that it would be necessary to oppose this. However, in July the City of New Orleans adopted an ordinance fully relieving City Park Board of any non-compliance with Mr. Delgado's will. The new charter has been approved by the Delgado Board and the Art Association Board; six representatives from City Park Board are on the new Delgado Board, which will take over after January 1, 1960. This is a tremendous step forward, and those who were helpful in getting us over a rough situation are especially to be thanked.

An unsolved problem is the matter of the 16th section. During the year the School Board put City Park Board on notice that they intended to enforce their claim on a portion of 40 acres directly in the center of the park in the vicinity of the driving range. The School Board would want to compromise and suggested that we deed to them an area in the north end of the park, in consideration of their releasing their claim to this area. Mr. Jahncke advised the School Board at the last meeting that whereas no action has been taken by City Park Board he is of the opinion that every foot of the park is now needed for recreational purposes and would hope that if they have a claim means would be found to buy the land from them. Recently it has been brought out that there is question of the legality of this claim.

It is Mr. Jahncke's belief that both the Riding Academy and the U Drive Electric Boats should be given favorable consideration.

Mr. Jahncke suggests changing the by-laws to provide for a standing Nominating Committee, not only for nomination officers but to consider nominees to fill vacancies on the Board, and he recommends that a study be made of the matter of limiting terms of office to a two-year minimum.

The President thanked the Board for fine cooperation and stated that although there have been many healthy differences of opinion he is convinced that this is a dedicated board and each member has the best interest of the park at heart. He commended all committees for a splendid job and complimented Mr. Laborde for the excellent work done in managing the park during the past year.
VICE PRESIDENTS- no report.

TREASURER- Mr. Torre reported everything in order.

SECRETARY- no report.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE- no report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE- no report.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies reported that finances are in good shape. Bills are paid. The Committee and Mr. Jahncke worked on a budget that has been submitted; it is practically the same as last year, except for salary increases, for which funds have been made available by the City.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Mr. LeCorgne's report was fully covered by the General Manager's report.

GOLF COMMITTEE.
Dr. Ketchum reported that 1959 was the most successful year golf has had. No. 3 golf course is progressing satisfactorily and it is believed to be the beginning of the development of the north end of the park. He thanked the Golf Committee for diligent work and Mr. Gandolfo for the loan of a man to work on the #3 golf course, without whose assistance the progress would not have been as great. He also thanked Messrs. Laborde, Bush and Thomas.

GROUNDs COMMITTEE- no report.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE- no report.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Mr. de Verges reported that Mr. Laborde had submitted to him for approval draft of specifications for the Batt lease; the bids were submitted and accepted and the lease is being prepared. The McFadden lease was submitted, approved and signed and the printed clause regarding commissions on rents should there be an extension of the lease, was deleted.

Mr. Couret moved that Mr. de Verges and the Legal Committee be given a vote of thanks for the fine work done during this year. Mr. Backer seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE- no report.

Mr. de Verges moved that a sign be placed at the exact location where the crib was last year to direct people to its present location. Mr. Backer seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

STADIUM COMMITTEE.
Mr. Janssen reported that the Delta Sports Association has cancelled the sugar bowl date. Mr. de Verges asked that Mr. Rivet be reimbursed for the cost of securing copy of the Delta charter from the Mortgage Office.
To The President and Board of Commissioners
of the N. O. City Park Improvement Assn. - - City;

Gentlemen:

Herewith detailed statement of receipts and disbursements

for 1959, as follows; - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

Balance on hand December 31st, 1958 - - - - - - $ 8,537.06

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Balance on hand December 31st, 1959 $ 4,509.28

Respectfully submitted

[Signature]

Treasurer
To the President and Board of Commissioners of the

New Orleans City Park Improvement Association -- City

Gentlemen:

Herewith my report of receipts and disbursements
for the month of December 1959, as follows:

Balance on hand November 30th, 1959 $15,717.31
Received during the month of December 1959 35,105.66
$ 50,822.97

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid by checks # 5401-5529 45,913.69
$ 4,909.28

Respectfully submitted

[Signature]

TREASURER
Board of Commissioners of City Park  
City Park  
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

January 17, 1960

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

The 1960 Park Association membership presently consists of (62) Life Members, (3) Honorary, and (140) regular members. Mr. F. C. Gandolfo paid his Life Membership dues last month.

The 1960 lease between New Orleans City Park and Park Amusements Inc. for the privilege of operating mechanical rides and devices on the picnic grounds is for $5,000 per annum or 12-1/2% of the gross receipts whichever is the greater. We received two separate checks from Park Amusements Inc., one for the sum of $5,000, advanced payment to be applied to their 1960 rental, the other for $516.75 is in addition to the $6,000 collected in January of 1959. These two amounts represent 12-1/2% of the 1959 gross receipts of $52,133.59 reported by Mr. Harry Batt, Jr., President of Park Amusements Inc.

The Christian Brothers have also paid their semiannual rent of $3,600. for the use of McFadden home.

During the past month, the following park work has been completed or is in progress.

1) Reconditioned soil in all rose beds and replanted several hundred rose bushes.
2) Eliminated unsightly and hazardous conditions by several park bridges and landscaped areas.
3) Repaired all wooden bridges spanning park lagoons. Most bridges are over twenty years old.
4) Installed communication system between Golf Club House and Starter House on No. 2 course.
5) Overhauled practically all park equipment.
6) Planted over 200 valuable trees in various sections of the park.
Work on the new golf course is progressing, but additional fill will soon be needed. Perhaps another attempt should be made to get a special appropriation from the City of New Orleans to purchase river sand, also request permission from the Commission Council to use fill from Parker's Island. The Island which is 125 x 215 feet would provide approximately 6,000 cubic yards of fill.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday, January 17, 1960, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room, a quorum being present as follows:

Mr. Albert F. Backer, Sr., Chairman, and

Messrs. H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
H. Diffur
H. E. Farley
Wm. M. Garic
A. H. Generes
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
Geo. Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
James S. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
E. R. Le Corgne
J. C. Nungesser
Geo. Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. Garic Schoen
F. J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
Fr. R. Worthington

EXCUSED
Messrs. Wm. H. Couret
F. J. Dreyfous
Herbert Jahnncke
C. E. Whitmore
Edwin L. Zander

ABSENT
Messrs. Ernest A. Carrere, Jr.
Arthur Feitel
F. C. Gandolfo Jr.
P. H. Sitges
H. M. Wilkinson

Mr. Backer asked the members to join him in prayer to invoke God's blessings on this Board during the coming year. He welcomed Mr. Grundmann to the meeting, with the hope that he will enjoy good health for many years.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the December meeting, which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Gonzales seconded by Mr. Heiny.

The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows;

In accordance with Mr. Laborde's recommendation, Mr. de Verges moved that parking be prohibited north of Harrison Avenue after
sunset, unless valid reasons can be given. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Parker Island

The matter of removing fill from Parker Island for use on the new golf course was referred to the Legal Committee and Mr. Gandolfo for study and report at the next meeting, on motion of Dr. Ketchum seconded by Mr. Schoen. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. de Verges moved that a Committee be appointed by the President to call on Mayor Morrison to request a special appropriation of $62,000. to assist in the construction of Golf Course No. 3. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. The President appointed the following Committee: Dr. Ketchum, Chairman, Mr. LeCorgne and Mr. Laborde.

Blue Cross

Mr. Generes moved that the matter of having City Park employees covered by Blue Cross Insurance be given some thought by the Board members and acted upon at the next meeting. Dr. Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Mr. Charles C. Stott, Director of Park and Recreation Workshop, Raleigh, N. C., inviting Mr. Laborde to take part in the 5th Annual Park and Recreation Workshop at Raleigh, on March 2, 3, and 4. Mr. Dabezies moved that $200. be appropriated to cover Mr. Laborde's expenses to attend this Workshop. Mr. de Verges seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The General Manager's report, as acted upon, was accepted, on motion of Mr. Dabezies, seconded by Mr. Torre.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Mr. de Verges thanking for flowers sent him on his birthday.

Mr. Backer thanked Mr. de Verges for preparing the Battle during the Christmas holidays. While all Committees have done a very good job, the President feels that Dr. Ketchum deserves special commendation. City Park made $10,000. on golf in 1958 and $20,000. in 1959; $16,000. on the driving range in 1958 and $19,000. in 1959.

Mr. Backer asked Mr. de Verges to report on a gift made to the Park by Mrs. Emily Grant Jahncke, Mr. Herbert Jahncke's Mother.
Mr. de Verges reported that on 12/30/59 Mrs. Emily Grant Jahncke donated to New Orleans City Park Improvement Association six tenths (6/10) share Series A common capital stock and nine shares non Cumulative 4% Preferred stock of Jahncke Service Incorporated, of a value of $2,700.00, as represented by Voting Trust Certificates Nos. 188 and 165 respectively of Jahncke Service Incorporated (issued under Voting Trust Agreement dated April 13, 1951); and on January 5, 1960 Mrs. Emily Grant Jahncke donated six tenths (6/10) share Series A common capital stock and nine shares non Cumulative 4% Preferred stock of Jahncke Service Incorporated, of a value of $2,700.00, as represented by Voting Trust Certificates Nos. 188 and 165 respectively of Jahncke Service Incorporated (issued under Voting Trust Agreement dated April 10, 1951) intended as the nucleus of a fund to be used to construct an illuminous fountain in City Park, in the selected area between the Casino and the tennis courts, to commemorate the memory of her dear departed husband Walter F. Jahncke.

Mr. de Verges moved that this Board go on record as accepting shares of stock from Mrs. Jahncke and write her a letter of appreciation, mentioning in the letter the outstanding services rendered to the park by Mr. Herbert Jahncke; Mr. Nungesser seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Mr. de Verges further stated that as New Orleans City Park Improvement Association will have to sell the shares of common and preferred stock of Jahncke Service Incorporated to realize funds to construct a luminous electric fountain, as intended, he will offer the following resolution:

That the President and Secretary be authorized to sell the 1 2/10 shares Series A common capital stock as represented by Voting Trust Certificates 188 and 189, and the eighteen (18) shares non Cumulative 4% Preferred stock as represented by Voting Trust Certificates Nos. 165 and 166 of Jahncke Service, Incorporated, to whoever may be interested in purchasing the same for not less than five thousand four hundred dollars ($5,400.00) cash and to transfer all rights and interest in the said Voting Trust Certificates by executing the forms of sale and transfer as appear on the said certificates, or any other act or deed as may be necessary or required to transfer the said certificates to the purchaser or purchasers thereof.

Motion seconded by Mr. Heiny, put to a vote and unanimously carried.

Mr. Dabezies moved that the President, Mr. Riehl and Mr. Laborde proceed with the erection of the fountain. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The President reported that he had appointed the various Committees for 1960, after contacting the Chairmen of these Committees for approval of the members of their Committees and the appointments were unanimously accepted.
ADVISORY COMMITTEE - no report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE - no report.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies commended the Treasurer on his annual report.

Mr. Dabezies reported that the budget allowed the Finance Committee to meet the payroll deficiency caused by the City's 5% cut; all bills are paid, and thanks to golf, finances are in good shape.

GOLF COMMITTEE - no report.

GROUND COMMITTEE - no report.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE - no report.

LEGAL COMMITTEE. Mr. de Verges reported that the Batt lease has been completed.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - no report.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - no report.

STADIUM COMMITTEE - no report.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE - no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE
Mr. Heiny reported that the necessary Rubico material and tennis tapes have been purchased for delivery this month, and with good weather 24 rubico courts should be resurfaced within the next few weeks.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE
Mr. Naness reported that the revised specifications for construction and operation of the Riding Academy are approved by the Chairman of the Legal Committee, and will be used as a basis for advertising for bids, which will be done this week.

U DRIVE ELECTRIC BOAT COMMITTEE
Mr. Richl reported that his Committee voted unanimously to reject Mr. Daze's request to operate his boats in the Big Lake and recommend offering him a location in an existing lagoon on Marconi Drive between Harrison and Filmore.

Dr. Ketchum moved that the location recommended by the Committee be approved by the Board and submitted to Mr. Daze for consideration. Messrs. Torre and Schoen seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.
After discussion of the matter, Mr. Mangesser moved that the Committee be authorized to negotiate with Mr. Daze, and if he is agreeable to the suggested location, go along with the basic specifications and advertise, subject to approval by the Legal Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Grundmann and adopted unanimously.

SIXTEENTH SECTION COMMITTEE—no report.

Mr. de Verges commended Mr. Laborde for the manner in which he handled an event that developed during the holidays relative to the McFadden Home.

Mr. Dufour moved that he be authorized to advertise for bands and the necessary sound system to be used in connection with summer concerts. Mr. Janssen seconded the motion. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Schoen, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Asst. Secretary

President
February 21, 1960

Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

As authorized by the Park Board, we advertised for bids for the construction and operation of a Riding Academy in City Park, also for two separate Orchestras to play during the Park's summer concerts. One Riding Academy and four Orchestra bids were received; these bids have been submitted to proper committees for consideration.

On Monday of this past week I met with principals and coaches representing the Prep League from Orleans and Jefferson parishes for the purpose of scheduling football games to be played in City Park stadium during 1960. The Prep League expressed their appreciation to the Park Board for the manner in which athletic activities held at the stadium were handled during the first year of integration in City Park. The Prep League also offered to pay one third of the cost to erect a 7 foot high fence between the large columns at the stadium. Mayor Morrison stated that the N. O. Pelicans would also contribute towards the erection of the fence, and requested City Park to provide for one third of the total cost. It is estimated that 1,150 feet of 9-gauge fence requiring twenty double gates, 146 end posts, and 40 gate costs with 1-3/8 o.d. top and bottom pipe, would cost approximately $5,300.00. This additional fence would minimize the tremendous number of people who sneak through the ticket gates in automobile trunks or jump the outer fence to avoid paying admission.

Three hundred pounds of Spanish Moss was shipped from City Park to the Shepperton Studios in London, England, during the filming of "Suddenly Last Summer" which is currently playing at the Orpheum Theatre. The moss was used to create New Orleans garden scenes. The Dueling Oaks are frequently mentioned in the movie.
No. 2

Board of Commissioners of City Park

Congressman Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania has introduced a bill in Congress to name the "Rose" as our national flower. Mr. Scott cited an opinion poll taken by the Gallup organization which showed nineteen out of every twenty Americans prefer the rose to any other flower. It is estimated by the world's leading rose producers that there are between 5,000 and 6,000 known rose varieties. We have approximately 2,250 rose bushes in City Park of twenty-five different varieties.

Work on the 3rd Golf Course is progressing. A Committee comprised of Messrs. Backer, LeCorgne, Ketchum, and myself met with Mayor Morrison, for the purpose of obtaining a special appropriation to be used in connection with the construction of the first nine holes. The Mayor was immensely pleased that the Park Board was providing ways and means for the construction of more than half of the course. The Mayor assured our Committee that a special appropriation of $30,000.00 would be granted to expedite the completion of the first nine holes.

Mr. William Garic donated a soft drink counter in excellent condition to the park. The counter was installed in the reception room and will be used to serve soft drinks to various Civic Organizations using the reception room.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, 2/21/60 at 10 a.m. in the Board Room.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Albert F. Backer, Sr., Chairman, and

Messrs. H. Dabezies
Ernest J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
H. E. Farley
Arthur Feitel
W. M. Garic
A. H. Generes
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
Geo. Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
Herbert Jaimhoe
Jas. S. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
E. R. LeCorgne
J. C. Huguesser
George Riehl
Charles L. Rivet
J. Caric Schoen
F. R. Sitges
F. J. Stinh
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
Edwin L. Zander
F. B. Worthington

EXCUSED

Wm. H. Courert
Maurice Dufour

ABSENT

E. A. Carrere Jr.
F. C. Gandolfo Jr.
W. M. Wilkinson
The President congratulated Mr. de Verges on his election to the Presidency of the Society of 1812.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the January meeting which were adopted as read on motion of Mr. de Verges seconded by Mr. Terre.

The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Dabezies moved that the matter of erecting a fence at the stadium be left to the discretion of the President, the Stadium Committee and the General Manager, with authority to act, provided the Pelicans rent the stadium for $10,000, and provided the park's share of the fence bill does not exceed $2,000. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and adopted unanimously.

In accordance with Mr. Dufour's recommendation, Mr. Genares moved that the following bands be selected to furnish music for the park concerts: Joe Petrie's Orleansians and Al Strismer and his Orchestra.

On motion of Mr. Whitmore, seconded by Mr. Genares, the General Manager's report as acted upon was adopted.

The following letters were read and ordered received and filed: letters of thanks from Mayor Morrison and Mrs. Blanche Long for flowers and plants sent to them, and letter from Lt. Colonel Blue, U. S. Marine Corps, thanking for cooperation in connection with Annual Marine Toys for Tots Football Game.

The President reported that the money received from Mrs. Jahnoke for the fountain had been deposited in a Special checking account at the National American Bank, that the securities in the Park's bank box had been checked by the Treasurer, the General Manager and himself, in the presence of the City Auditor, and the Auditor for Dennis Barry, to their satisfaction.

Mr. Backer thanked Mr. Garie for the gift of the soft drink counter which has been installed in the reception room, and asked the Board members to look at it and the new tables after the meeting.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE - no report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE - no report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. - Mr. Dabezies reported everything in order.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Colonel Worthington reported that Mr. LeCorgne has successfully grafted over 100 camellias and invited the Board members to visit the green house and camellia garden. Soil tests prove that the soil at golf course No. 3 is exceptionally good. The people of New Orleans will be invited to see the flowers at City Park on a TV show weekly, around noon.
GOLF COMMITTEE. Dr. Ketchum made the following report:

When the Committee called on the Mayor he was pleased that we were helping ourselves by collecting the extra 25c golf fee, and agreed to give $30,000 towards the construction of golf course No.3.

Golf should have an interesting year. The Greater New Orleans Invitational Open Golf Tournament, with a $25,000 purse, will attract top notch pros. Dr. Ketchum moved that this organization be given the privilege of using the golf course for a fee of 1,200. Mr. Janssen seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

The City Amateur Championship will be held on No.2 golf course. Besides small tournaments which will be numerous, it is planned by the ladies to have a ladies' tournament. The Kelly Girl Service would want to pay $5,000 of the purse if the name Kelly Girl were used. Dr. Ketchum will look into the matter and report his findings at the next meeting.

The Assistant Secretary read two letters received from the St. John Golf Club, one dated 12/5/59, agreeing with the plan of changing the present No.1 golf course to construct No.3 golf course, and a letter dated 2/18/60 opposing the alteration of No.1 golf course. Mr. Grundmann moved that the matter be referred to the Golf and Planning Committees for report at the next meeting. Mr. Whitmore seconded the motion, which was put to a vote and carried.

Dr. Ketchum reported: as of 2/12/60, the extra 25c charged for golf has brought in $40,612.50, and after expenditures of $25,684.66 for labor and material, there is on hand at this time $14,927.84. With the $30,000 commitment of the Mayor, plus the monthly revenue, the work should be completed on 9 holes by the end of October.

GROUND COMMITTEE

Mr. Gneres complimented Mr. Labors on the manner in which the trees had been trimmed on Harrison Ave. and reported that the park is in beautiful condition.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

Mr. de Verges made the following reports:

1. He has looked into the Parker Island matter. Parker Island is in the name of the City but was turned over to the park for park purposes and City Park may use the fill for any purpose it sees fit, provided it has the approval of the Commission Council. He moved that a committee composed of the Chairman of the Golf Committee, the Chairman of the Grounds Committee, the Chairman of the Planning Committee and Mr. Rivet be appointed to take up with the Commission Council the matter of getting an ordinance authorizing the removal of the fill on Parker Island. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.
2. Mr. Backer submitted to Mr. de Verges information that the Orleans Levee Board was in the process of drawing plans and specifications to erect a bridge over Bayou St. John at Robert E. Lee Boulevard, the city to provide funds in the capital budget ($60,000), to build this bridge. Research on this matter brought out that in Highway Bill of 1956 the last paragraph provided for the construction of this bridge as a part of U.S. Highway through New Orleans, this bill also stating that the project is removed from the jurisdiction of "City Park Improvement Association". Mr. de Verges drafted a letter to the Orleans Levee Board, a copy to be sent to the City of New Orleans, stating that any attempt to build a bridge over Bayou St. John without first seeking the approval and consent of N.O. City Park Improvement Association will be resisted. Mr. de Verges sent a copy of this letter to each member of the Legal Affairs Committee. Mr. Rivet and Mr. Stich are in accord and he has received no word yet from Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Carrere, but will get in touch with them.

Mr. Grundmann moved that the action of Mr. de Verges in protecting the City Park interests and advising the Orleans Levee Board that any plan for crossing Bayou St. John must be submitted to the N.O. City Park Improvement Association be approved. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

3. Mr. de Verges attended a meeting called by Mr. Gandolfo in connection with the 16th Section matter, at which meeting Mr. Dreyfous and Mr. Riehl were present. It was brought out at this meeting that Mr. Waddill had addressed a petition to the Supreme Court in this connection. Mr. Rivet looked up the record, could find no record of this or the Supreme Court's answer, but did find another case subsequent to that where it was definitely fixed that the 16th Section is held by the State of Louisiana for Orleans Parish and Jefferson Parish School Boards. The School Board would want to make a swap for a tract on Robert E. Lee or Wisner Boulevard to build a high school. Mr. Rivet feels that the attention of Mr. Sam Rosenberg should be called to the fact that the 16th Section is in the name of the State of Louisiana, for the School Boards of Orleans and Jefferson Parishes, so, before a deal can be made with the park, Jefferson Parish will have to be worked out of the picture, then the State will have to take action.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter dated 1/22/60, signed by Mr. Stanley Fitzpatrick of the School Board, asking for a meeting with the Park Board to determine the status of the 16th Section.
After discussion of the matter, Mr. Generes moved that a letter be sent to Mr. Fitzpatrick, advising him that a special meeting of City Park Board will be held (the President to fix the time and the date) to discuss the matter referred to in Mr. Fitzpatrick's letter, and inviting the Orleans Parish School Board to be present, also suggesting to them that inasmuch as the Jefferson Parish School Board and the Louisiana Attorney General are interested in this matter, that the Orleans Parish School Board invite representatives of both to be present at this special meeting. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion, which was put to a vote and carried.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Riehl suggested to the Chairman of the Golf and Grounds Committees that they consider the possibility of an underpass at Harrison Avenue as safety for golf course No. 3, and endeavor to get funds for this purpose.

U DRIVE BOAT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Riehl reported that Mr. Daze had been notified of the Board's decision and had written a letter of thanks to the Board, stating that he expects to do business with Forest Park in St. Louis at this time. Mr. Generes moved that Mr. Daze's letter be received and filed, that the Committee be discharged and the matter be taken up when it comes up again. Mr. Torre seconded the motion. Adopted.

PUBLICITY- no report.

STADIUM COMMITTEE.
Mr. Jansen reported that Xavier Prep School and St. Augustine High School have requested a date to play football. Mr. Laborde was authorized to give them a date that will not conflict with the Prep Games.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE- no report.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE- Word has been received from the Sewerage & Water Board that Wild Life & Fisheries Department will receive bids on chemicals to be used to clean Bayou St. John about the middle of March.

TEENING COMMITTEE.
Mr. Heiny reported that the resurfacing of the rubber courts is progressing and that receipts for tennis were greater in January 1960 than in January 1959.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

RIDING ACADEMY.
Mr. Nungesser reported that advertising for the construction, maintenance and operation of the riding academy brought only one bid from the Crescent Riding Academy. The Committee met and discussed this bid and it was decided to recommend to the Board that it be rejected for non-compliance with terms of the advertisement, and that we re-advertise for bids. Mr. Nungesser's report is attached to these minutes. He moved that this report be received, with the above recommendations, that is, that the bid be rejected and that we re-advertise. Motion seconded by Mr. de Verges, put to a vote and carried.
Mr. de Verges moved that action on the matter of hospitalization for park employees be deferred until such time as funds are available. Motion seconded by Mr. Dabezies, put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Backer feels that if the Pelican lease goes through, part of the money can be used to put the hospitalization plan into effect.

NEW BUSINESS.

Mr. Generes moved that the Verne Kirby letter be acknowledged and that the plan for Go-Karts be rejected.
Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Adjournment 12.07.

[Signatures]

Asst. Secretary

President
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

March 20, 1960

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

The United States Government has terminated their lease with the Board of Commissioners of the New Orleans City Park, for the leasing of a parcel of land located at the northwest corner of City Park, and has submitted lease termination agreement to be executed by the Park Board for the transferring of all improvements constructed by the Government to City Park. Transferring of the Government property to City Park was approved by the Park Board at a regular meeting held on April 29th, 1959. Much valuable lumber will be salvaged when the building is demolished. Said Government lease has been in effect since January 1, 1947 at an annual rental of One ($1.00) Dollar.

The use of City Park stadium parking lot during Carnival Season by the Trailer Coach Association, provided excellent publicity and a rental of $1,207.50 for the park. Councilman Jas. Fitzmorris and Mr. Backer welcomed the caravan to City Park and the City of New Orleans.

I attended the fifth Annual Southeastern Parks & Recreation Conference at North Carolina State College. I am deeply grateful to the Park Board for affording me the opportunity of attending this fine Conference. I had the privilege of participating in several panel discussions where practically every phase of park operation was discussed; much valuable information was obtained from these panel discussions.

The Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission proposes to begin aquatic weed control in Bayou St. John next week. Sodium arsenite will be used in a concentration of four parts of chemical to one millionth parts of water. This concentration will not effect fish life; it generally requires about twelve parts per million of Sodium Arsenite to kill fish and water fowl.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

Two signed petitions were received from residents of Lake Vista, one opposing the construction of a high school in the vicinity of Robert E. Lee Boulevard, the other opposing picnicking by the Old Spanish Fort and swimming in Bayou St. John near the Lake Shore bridge.

Despite the inclement weather much progress has been made on the third golf course. We are trying desperately to have the first nine holes completed by October.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellis P. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, March 20, 1960, at 10 o'clock, in the Board Room, a quorum being present as follows:

Mr. Albert F. Backer, Chairman, and

E. A. Carrere Jr.
Wm. H. Courret
H. Babesias
Ed J. de Verges
F. J. Dreyfous
Maurice Dufour
Arthur Felte
F. C. Gandolfo Jr.
Wm. M. Garie
S. J. Gonzales
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
James S. Jansen
Fred D. Ketchum
R. R. LeCorgne
J. C. Mungesser
George Riehl
J. Garie Schoen
F. J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
Frank Worthington
Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED

Allen H. Generes
Herbert Jahncke
Charles L. Rivet
C. E. Whitmore

ABSENT

H. E. Farley
Percy H. Sitges
H. M. Wilkinson
At the President's request, the order of business was changed to permit Mr. Jack DeFee to appear before the Board. Mr. deFee, representing the New Orleans Pelicans, asked that the stadium be rented them for two professional baseball games between the Cleveland Indians and the Boston Red Sox. In answer to Mr. de Verges' question, Mr. DeFee stated that some of the participants in these games would be negroes and that he did not know the present status of the law on this matter. Mr. Backer thanked Mr. deFee when he left the meeting and assured him that he would be notified of the Board's decision. After discussion of the matter Mr. Janssen moved that inasmuch as the State Law prohibits mixing of races as participants in athletic games, until the law is declared unconstitutional this board is not in position to consider such athletic events. Mr. Rish seconded the motion.

As a substitute motion, Mr. Feitel moved that we merely reject the proposition as it will cause discussion and hard feeling. There was no second to the substitute. Original motion put to a vote and carried.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. The minutes were adopted on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Schoen.

The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Dreyfous moved that the President be authorised to sign the agreement terminating the lease between City Park and the U. S. Government, provided it is approved by the Legal Committee. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion. Adopted.

The General Manager's report, as acted upon, was adopted, on motion of Mr. Feitel, seconded by Mr. Torre.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Trailer Coach Association brought a caravan of 69 trailers to New Orleans for Mardi Gras and a check for $1207.50 has been received to cover rental; the Park's expense was approximately $100.00. The caravan was made up of fine people, and provided good publicity for the park.

Mr. Backer congratulated the various committees on their attendance at meetings and for the fine work they are doing, and announced that Friday was the tenth anniversary of Mr. Laborde's appointment as the Park's General Manager.
The following letters were read, ordered received and filed:

Letter from Jack Foster, Director, Travel Trailer Division, Mobile Home Manufacturers Association, expressing thanks to Mr. Laborde for cooperation and courtesy during the Caravan's visit to New Orleans.

Letters of thanks for flowers sent on the occasion of the birthdays of Mr. LeGorgne and Mr. Schoen.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE- no report.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - no report.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE- Mr. Dufour advised that the Park's official opening will be May 22. Mr. Stich has been appointed Chairman and Mr. Riehl Vice Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.- Mr. Dabiezies reported everything in order.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Colonel Worthington thanked the General Manager for flowers sent him on the occasion of his birthday. He reported that Mr. LeGorgne has approximately 5000 amaryllis planted and approximately 500 seeds in process of being developed; the red bud trees are in bloom now; 15 to 18 camellias have been replaced in the camellia garden and the roses will be magnificent this year.

GOLF COMMITTEE
Dr. Ketchum reported that in spite of bad weather on week ends, golf is ahead of last year, which was golf's best year. The driving range is particularly gratifying; the last two months' excess over previous years have paid for the installation of the all weather tees.

Dr. Ketchum thanked the Planning Committee for the vote of confidence given him at the joint committee meeting of the Planning and Grounds Committees.

The Golf Committee met with the group who oppose the alteration of golf course No.1; after much discussion, it was brought out that there is nothing to prevent the continuance of our present procedure. Mr. Hunsesser moved that the action of the Golf Committee with reference to alteration of No.1 golf course be ratified. Mr. LeGorgne seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The N. O. Invitational Open Golf Tournament will be held April 20 through April 24. All courtesies and privileges will be extended to Board members.

Dr. Ketchum moved that the Board approve the holding of the Ladies' Tournament in City Park, the rental to be approximately $400, the tournament to be named the New Orleans Kelly Girl Open Tournament. Messrs. Grundmann and Schoen seconded the motion. After much
discussion the motion was put to a vote and carried 16 to 5. Messrs. de Verges, Riehl and Couret asked to be recorded as opposing the motion for the reason that it pin points a particular field of endeavor in the way of advertising.

GROUND COMMITTEE- no report.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.
Mr. de Verges reported:
As directed by the Board, he had written to the Orleans Levee Board with reference to a bridge across Bayou St. John, and had sent a copy to the City of New Orleans, by certified mail, but had received no reply. Mr. Feitel moved that the President and the Legal Committee be empowered to take necessary steps to enjoin the building of a bridge across Bayou St. John without permission. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Rivet spoke to Councilmen Fitzmorris and Cassibry who are in favor of the park using the fill on Parker Island, and Mr. Rivet suggested that Mr. de Verges write to the Council. Mr. de Verges will address the communication to the Acting President of the Council, Mr. Schiro, who has promised to support the matter.

Mr. de Verges received a letter from Mr. Louis Porterie, advising that the suit Park Place Association vs. N. O. City Park Association has been on the Supreme Court docket for more than a year, and since the Pelicans will not play in the stadium, the suit is to be dismissed. However, a few days ago Mr. Breen, attorney for E. G. Miranne, called Mr. de Verges with reference to court costs which amount to five or six hundred dollars. Mr. de Verges will contact Mr. Porterie on this matter.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
Mr. Riehl suggested that the hedge and shrubs near the Golf Club House, which parallel the south side of Zachary Taylor Ave., be removed, and the area used for additional parking space for golfers. Mr. Feitel moved that this matter be considered by the Planning & Development and the Grounds Committees, to be taken up at the next meeting. Mr. Dreyfous seconded the motion. Adopted.

With reference to the design for the Jahncke fountain, Mr. Carrere moved that the President and Mr. Riehl be authorized, in whatever manner they see fit, to get the approval of Mr. Jahncke, the Grounds Committee and the Planning Committee, and bring the matter back to the Board. Dr. Zander seconded the motion. Adopted.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - no report.
STADIUM COMMITTEE—There has been no action on the stadium fence.

After discussion as to increased rates for colleges and universities, Mr. Nungesser moved that the Stadium Committee revise the schedule of rates for football and baseball games at the stadium and present the new schedule to the Board. Mr. Dabuesies seconded the motion. Adopted.

SWIMMING POOL.
Mr. LeCorgne moved that the pool remain closed. Mr. Courret seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and adopted unanimously.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE.
Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Grundmann be authorized to consult with the head of the Public Works Department to see what can be done under the directive he has from the Legislature to dredge Bayou St. John. Mr. Gandolfo seconded the motion. Adopted.

TENNIS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Heiny reported that the rubico courts have been resurfaced and are ready for play.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE.
Mr. Nungesser reported that his Committee met with the Crescent Riding Academy, furnished a copy of report outlining proposals and reviewed with them the terms of the specifications. Mr. de Verges moved that the Chairman of this committee be authorized to draw up specifications which in the opinion of his Committee meet the requirements of the Board of Health, and Fire Marshal, etc. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion which was adopted.

SIXTEENTH SECTION COMMITTEE.
Mr. Backer advised that he had thought best not to call a Special Meeting of the Board until this committee had met with the representatives of the School Board, therefore the Sixteenth Section Committee met last Thursday with four representatives of the School Board. Mr. Backer asked Mr. Gandolfo to report on this meeting.

The School Board representatives claim that they have asked for a year and a half and are approaching the time when they have to make commitments to build a high school, which is needed in the near future. They state that they will clear the matter up insofar as Jefferson Parish ownership is concerned and will have an act passed in the Legislature which will enable them to exchange property in the center of City Park for another piece of property of equal value, to be selected by us.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter addressed to City Park Improvement Association signed by Samuel Rosenberg, Attorney for the Orleans Parish School Board, asking that effecting of an exchange of lands of approximately equal value be approved in principle.
Mr. de Verges reported that at his request Mr. Stich had done a very thorough job of research and found that in Louisiana several acts have been passed over the years ratifying exchanges made between school boards and parishes, and that Mr. Stich had obtained from Mr. Rosenberg copies of minutes of the Orleans Parish School Board in connection with the 16th Section. Mr. de Verges read excerpts from these minutes and expressed the opinion that we should be careful not to make any commitments before very serious consideration.

Mr. Dabesies moved that the President be authorized to reply to Mr. Rosenberg's letter, advising him that considering the resolution adopted by this Board, we want to explore our rights to the 16th section before we can commit ourselves. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The President announced that the Board meetings of April, May, and June will be held on the fourth Monday of those months at 8 p.m. and the next meeting will be April 25th.

Adjournment 12.50.

[Signature]
Assistant Secretary

[Signature]
President
REPORT OF THE STADIUM COMMITTEE
APRIL 25, 1960

A letter dated March 19, 1960 was received from Southern University asking baseball for information about the use of the stadium for an exhibition/game in May. Mr. Laborde answered this letter on March 29 supplying the requested data. No reply has since been received and it is assumed that the matter has been dropped by Southern University.

A letter from Basile Milazzo, Commissioner of the Independent Professional Baseball Association, putting his group on record as making application for the Stadium for 1961 "providing New Orleans does not go into Professional Baseball during 1961."

A letter dated March 24, 1960 was received from John C. Ciolino, of the firm of Benigan, Ciolino and Demarest, Attorneys at Law, regarding the leasing of the stadium for a professional football game during August or September, 1960. A subsequent letter dated April 2 gave further particulars, stating that the teams would be the Pittsburg Steelers and the Green Bay Packers. It appears that this game may materialize.

As directed by the Board at its last meeting, the Stadium Committee has prepared a revised schedule of recommended rates for the use of the stadium. Copies of this proposed schedule are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

James S. Jarssen, Chairman
Stadium Committee
RECOMMENDED CITY PARK STADIUM RENTAL RATES FOR FOOTBALL

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All High School games based on 240 tower lights. For 480 tower lights, add $12.00 per hour.

| **Universities or Colleges** | 300.                                             | Minimums of $300 to $400 |
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|                            |                                                  | 2% thereafter.           |

| **Professional, Semi-professional and Others** | Minimums of $400 to $500 |
|                                                | 7% on first $10,000      |
|                                                | 2% thereafter.           |

| Night | Minimums of $500 to $600 |
|       | 8% on first $10,000      |
|       | 5% on second $10,000     |
|       | 2% thereafter.           |

(The rates quoted are for football games. For other events the rental will be determined by the manager when admission is $1.00 or less. When admission is over $1.00, rental will be determined by the President, the Manager, and the Chairman of the Stadium Committee. Consideration will be given to cost of converting and restoring the Stadium for special uses.)

* Between Labor Day and December 20.

** Percentages apply to ticket sales exclusive of Federal, State and Local taxes. Allows no more than 100 complimentary tickets. Services of a Certified Public Accountant to be supplied at Lessee's expense. Lower minimums apply when admission is $1.50 or less. Lessee to deposit minimum amounts at time date is assigned.
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

The Greater New Orleans Open Invitational Golf Tournament held in City Park last week was a huge success and will undoubtedly stimulate greater interest in golf. The tournament which was played in perfect golfing weather was won by Mr. Dow Finsterwald of Tequest, Florida, with a score of 270 (18 under par). In second place was Mr. Al Besselink of Grossinger, New York, with a score of 276 (12 under par). There were four ties for third place with a score of 277. Last year's winner was Mr. Bill Collins with a score of 280 (8 under par).

In addition to the golf tournament, a British Cricket game and three tennis tournaments were held in City Park during the weekend.

The two integrated Professional Baseball games between the Cleveland Indians and the Boston Red Sox played in City Park stadium on April 9th and 10th was witnessed by an estimated crowd of 22,000 spectators; approximately 25% being negroes. There were no racial incidents during the two games. According to Mr. Jack Depee, immediate past President of the New Orleans Pelicans, all profits realized from the Pelican's share of receipts was used to pay debts owed by the Club.

Mr. John Ciolino, Attorney At Law, has made application for leasing the stadium to stage a Professional football game between Pittsburg Steelers and the Green Bay Packers, on August 13th or 14th. Mr. Ciolino's application was referred to the Stadium Committee for consideration.

Forms were received from the City's Chief Administrative office for the submission of Capital Improvement projects for 1961 thru 1965. These forms must be prepared in detail and returned to the Chief Administrative Officer prior to June 8th. The Board's authorization is requested to re-submit projects previously approved by the Board plus $3,500, to resurface the stadium track with one half inches of cinder.
The following Capital Improvements were made in City Park since year 1955.

No. 1 - Re-wiring McPadden Home and Golf Club House $3,179.00

No. 2 - Construction of Bayou St. John water intake at Carrollton & City Park intersection $9,031.48

No. 3 - Repairing and resurfacing roadways 40,000.00

No. 4 - Master Plan funds 10,000.00

No. 5 - Replacement of sewer and water mains throughout park 100,000.00

No. 6 - New Comfort Station 10,912.00

Total... $173,121.48

Fifteen Thousand ($15,000.00) Dollars of Capital Improvement funds have been approved for 1960 to provide drainage in the back section of City Park.

Our two large Rose Gardens produced excellent blooms during the past two weeks, attracting thousands of visitors to the park. The Local Press and Television stations provided good publicity for the gardens.

Five hundred and ninety-three Fishermen participated in the Park's Fishing Rodeo held on Sunday, April 10th. Over one third of the Rodeo participants were youngsters under 16 years of age. Top honors went to David Bellinger, age 11, who caught a 5-lb. 13 oz. bass.

Mr. William Garic donated thirty foam rubber cushions for the Board room chairs. Mr. Facker has acknowledged with sincere thanks and appreciation of Mr. Garic's donation.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager

EF/1h
The regular meeting of N. O. City Park Board was held Monday night, April 25, 1960, at 8 p.m.

Due to the fact that Mr. Backer was on a European trip, Mr. Earl R. LeCorgne, First Vice President, presided at the meeting.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

E. A. Carrere Jr.  Geo. Grundmann  J. Garic Schoen
Wm. H. Courret  H. L. Haity  F. J. Stich
Ed J. de Verges  J. S. Janssen  Louis J. Torre
Maurice Dufour  F. D. Ketchum  Alfred Wellborn
H. E. Farley  J. C. Mungesser  C. E. Whitaore
F. G. Gandolfo  George Riehl  F. R. Worthington

Excused:

A. F. Backer Sr.
H. Dabezies
F. J. Dreyfous
Arthur Feitel
Wm. L. Garic
A. H. Genecs
F. H. Sitges

Absent:

J. W. Griffin
Herbert Jahncke
H. N. Wilkinson

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Stich, seconded by Mr. Riehl.

The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Mungesser moved that the projects previously approved by the Board be re-submitted, and that an additional $3,500 be included in the Capital Improvement Priority Projects for 1961 to resurface the stadium track with 1/2 inch of cinders. Mr. Gandolfo seconded the motion. Adopted unanimously.

The report as acted upon was received on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Grundmann.

The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:
1. From Mr. Backer, written to the Board members before his departure.
2. From Mayor Morrison, accepting the invitation to attend the official opening of the Amusement season, and to make a short address.
3. From Herman J. Twilbeck, President, N. O. City Park Golf Club, endorsing overall plan for No. 3 golf course.
4. From J. Garic Schoen, Secretary of the Executive Committee, Greater New Orleans Open, expressing thanks for the wonderful hospitality and warm reception given by the park personnel during the tournament.

5. Telegram from Mel Jones, Safety Consultant Louisiana Safety Association, concerning the hazard of foot-crossing of Harrison Ave. twice in 9 holes and safety of golf course No. 4, and Mr. Laborde's reply offering to arrange a meeting with the Golf Committee.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Fred J. Cassibry, City Councilman, attaching copy of letter he received from Anthony Virgilio with reference to capsizing of a canoe, also Mr. Laborde's reply to Mr. Cassibry, advising that the matter will be brought to the Board at this meeting. After discussion of the canoe incident, Mr. Carrere moved that the Lakepens Committee check into this and that it be considered at the next meeting. Mr. Brandmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Vice Presidents- no report.
Secretary - no report.
Treasurer - Mr. Torre reported everything in order.

Executive Committee- no report.
Advisory Committee- no report.
Finance Committee- In Mr. Dabezies' absence, Mr. Torre reported everything in good shape.

Concessions & Entertainment Committee.
Mr. DuFaur reported that preparations are being made for the festival and announced that there would be two festival queens this year.

Flowers & Horticultural Committee.
Colonel Worthington reported that the roses in the park this year were magnificent, and much publicity has been given on the WJSU TV show.

Golf Committee
Dr. Ketchum reported that records were set at the recent tournament; golf is going ahead in leaps and bounds— the daily play is astounding and the driving range is doing remarkably well. No. 3 golf course is coming along; the Committee is about ready to ask for bids on contract for the water system for the first nine holes. If money can be obtained from the City the work can be done in three weeks. June 15th a professional green planter will plant grass on the course.

Grounds Committee - no report.
LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Mr. de Verges made the following report:

1. - Mr. Rivet prepared the suggested ordinance to be presented to the City Council with reference to Parker Island fill. Mr. de Verges stated that there is an apparent difference of opinion as to whether the ordinance should be referred to an individual member of the City Council to be processed, or to the President of the Council, and the matter is presented to the Board for its decision on this point. This ordinance was read to the Board, there was a general discussion as to how its presentation to the Council should be handled, then Mr. Nungesser moved that it be approved as the suggested ordinance to be sent to all members of the City Council. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion which was put to a vote and carried.

2. Mr. Samuel Rosenberg has written asking the Board's views on the Sixteenth Section matter so that he may proceed to have legislation introduced this coming session. Mr. de Verges advised that it is the recommendation of the Legal Committee that this Board should not enter into negotiations until such time as the Orleans Parish School Board can satisfy it that it has completed negotiations with the Jefferson Parish School Board. Mr. Carrere moved that Mr. Rosenberg be advised of the Legal Committee's recommendation. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

3. Mr. de Verges has contacted Mr. Louis Porterie on the matter of costs in the suit Park Place Association vs. N. O. City Park. Mr. Porterie stated that as the costs were incurred by Mr. Kirmane, we should not take any action.

Planning & Development Committee- no report.

Publicity Committee- no report.

Stadium Committee

Mr. Janssen read his report and also the new schedule of rates for stadium rental. The report and the schedule are attached to these minutes. Mr. Carrere moved that the schedule of rates as prepared by the Stadium Committee be accepted. Mr. Whitmore seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Whitmore moved that the Board approve the leasing of the stadium for a professional football game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Green Bay Packers. Motion seconded by Mr. de Verges, put to a vote and carried.

Swimming Pool Committee- no report.
Lagoons Committee
Mr. Brunhammer reported that he and Mr. Laborde will follow up on the Bayou St. John bill which will be introduced at the next session of the Legislature, providing $150,000.00 for dredging the Bayou.

Tennis & Recreation Committee
Mr. Heiny reported that several tennis tournaments are on schedule, the night tennis has started, and 1960 tennis should be very satisfactory.

Mr. Heiny moved that Mrs. Rita Krupp's lease for the Tennis Shop be renewed for two years, at the same rental. Dr. Zander seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Riding Academy Committee
Mr. Nungesser reported that at the last Board meeting his Committee had been authorized to prepare revised specifications, but the committee recommends terms and conditions rather than specifications—sketch and outline of the building to accompany proposal submitted by the bidder. Mr. Carrere moved that the Committee's recommendation be approved. Colonel Worthington seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Sixteenth Section Committee
Mr. Gandolfo stated that his report has been covered by that of the Legal Committee.

Johnscke fountain
The design for the Johnscke fountain selected by the Johnscke family was brought to the board for approval. Mr. LeCorne suggested that due to traffic hazards and the availability of park labor the work on the fountain be postponed until after Labor Day. Mr. Ruhl concurred in this but asked for approval of the design so that he might have time to prepare the necessary specifications and obtain prices. Mr. Carrere moved that the design as submitted be approved. Mr. Whitmore seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Under the heading of New Business, the Asst.Secretary read a letter received from Kenneth Phillips, President, Phillips Amusements, Inc., with reference to a Goofy Golf Course in City Park, which was referred to the Golf and Grounds Committees for consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Vice President-Acting Chairman

[Signature]
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

May 23, 1960

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

Excellent progress has been made recently in the construction of the first nine holes of the proposed 18-hole golf course in City Park. $48,178.25 has been received from "Golf Fee Increase" for the construction of the new course; $45,203.47 from this account has been spent for labor, equipment, and supplies, leaving a balance of $2,974.78. If additional funds were readily available, the first nine holes could be completed by July 15th and playable by October 1st. A $30,000 special appropriation is anticipated from the City of New Orleans as soon as a substantial amount of the Real Estate and Personal property tax payments are received by the City which is expected in June or July. This appropriation will be used for water mains, sodding, and top fill dressing for greens and tees. The first nine holes are approximately 70% completed.

Sixteen Capital Improvement projects amounting to $2,083,500. will be submitted to Mr. David McGuire, Chief Administrative Officer for the City of New Orleans. Top priority is being given to such projects as the construction of Fillmore Avenue between Wisner Blvd. and Marconi Drive, the new golf course and shelter house construction, also the resurfacing of cinder track at stadium.

As authorized by the Park Board, we advertised for bids for the construction and operation of a Riding Academy in City Park. Although numerous Riding Academy construction conditions were obtained from the park, only the Crescent Riding Academy Inc., submitted a bid; this bid was referred to the Riding Academy Committee for consideration.
No. 2

Board of Commissioners of City Park

The various activities scheduled for the Official Opening of the Amusement Season in City Park last Sunday were well attended. Brief addresses were made by Mayor Morrison, Messrs. Stich, Backer, and Dufour. The queens and their courts who participated in the Festival program were escorted to the platform by Messrs. Backer, Riehl and LeCorgne.

Two Park Board members, Messrs. Whitmore and Grundmann, are in the hospital. Mr. Grundmann will be 84 years of age next Thursday.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Ellis P. Laborde, General Manager

EPL/1h
New Orleans, La.
5/23/60

Board of Commissioners,
New Orleans City Park,
New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

We have checked the reports of the Treasurer and the office and find them to be in order. All current bills are paid.

It seems that on account of the change in collection of City taxes, the City will not be able to let us have any part of the $30,000 promised for the new golf course until the end of June or the beginning of July.

In discussing the matter with Dr. Ketchum and Mr. Laborde, it looks as though the work will have to be discontinued unless we get some relief in the next few days. The Finance Committee has discussed this matter and recommends that, if necessary, we advance $5,000 from the General Fund to the Special Golf Course Committee, pending receipt of the money from the city.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

H. Dabezies
Chairman, Finance Committee.
May 23, 1960

To the President and Board of Commissioners of the
New Orleans City Park Improvement Association -- City

Gentlemen:

Herewith my report of receipts and disbursements for the month of April 1960, as follows:

Balance on hand March 31st, 1960 $ 16,854.76

Received during the month of April 1960

$ 47,672.56

Disbursements:

Paid by checks # 5886-87
5882-6041

$ 44,515.41

$ 20,011.91

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
TREASURER
City Hall, June 18, 1960.

BY COUNCILMEN CASSIBRY, FITZMORRIS AND SCHIRO:

WHEREAS, In the Amendment to the 1960 Capital Budget $300,000.00 in bond funds are appropriated to the Parkway and Park Commission as the City's participation in the cost of construction of a new nine-hole golf course at City Park, and

WHEREAS, this project has been in progress for several months, being financed to its present stage with funds of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, and

WHEREAS, bond funds appropriated for this purpose are not expected to become available until the latter part of 1960 and such late availability would interrupt continuous progress in the work and result in untimely completion.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That there be advanced to the Parkway and Park Commission $15,000.00 in the month of June, 1960 and $15,000.00 in the month of July, 1960 from Miscellaneous Capital Funds for the purpose aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER MOVED, That such advances from Miscellaneous Capital Funds shall be reimbursed from proceeds of bonds to be sold for "Playground sites and Park and Playground improvements and equipment" when such proceeds become available.

The subject of the crowded condition on the golf courses at City Park was discussed and it was suggested by Councilman Burke that priority be given to residents of the City of New Orleans to use the golf courses.

The roll was called on the adoption of the motion and resulted as follows:

Yeas: Burke, Cassibry, Casen, Curtis, Fitzmorris, Schiro—6.

Nays: 0; absent: Hickey—1.

And the motion was adopted.

City Hall, June 15, 1960.
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held May 23, 1960, at 8 p.m. in the Board Room.

Mr. Albert F. Backer presided. The following members were present constituting a quorum:

   E. A. Carrere Jr.
   Ed J. de Verges
   H. E. Farley
   Arthur Feitel
   F. C. Gandolfo, Jr.
   A. H. Generes
   S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
   H. E. Heiny
   H. Jahncke
   F. D. Ketchum
   E. R. LeCorgne
   J. C. Nungesser
   Chas. L. Rivet
   J. Garic Schoen
   P. H. Sitges
   Frank J. Stich
   L. J. Torre
   A. Wellborn
   F. R. Worthington
   Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED:  Wm. H. Couret
          H. Dabezies
          F. J. Dreyfous
          Wm. M. Garic
          George Grundmann
          J. S. Janssen
          C. E. Whitmore

ABSENT:  Maurice Dufour
         George Riehl
         H. M. Wilkinson

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Schoen, seconded by Mr. Torre.

The General Manager's report was read and received, on motion of Mr. Torre, seconded by Mr. Heiny.

The President reported that Messrs. Grundmann, Whitmore and Dreyfous are ill, and suggested that a telegram and flowers be sent to each one of them.
The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:

1. Letter from Dr. Zander thanking for flowers sent him on the occasion of his birthday.

2. Letter from Mr. W. W. McDougall, Director of Personnel, Louisiana Department of Civil Service, advising that an audit of recent park payroll reflects full compliance with Civil Service.

3. Letter from Robert O. Dean, Director Safety Service, American National Red Cross, recommending the use of life preservers. In this connection Mr. de Verges moved that the General Manager arrange with the concessionaire to place life jackets at the boat landing and negotiate with him for payment by him, in whole or in part, for these jackets; if, however, Mr. Laborde is unsuccessful in collecting from the concessionaire, the Park is to bear the full cost up to $300. Mr. LeCorgne seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Backer thanked Mr. LeCorgne for ably replacing him during his European trip.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.
In Mr. Dufour's absence, Mr. Laborde reported that the Park Festival was very successful.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE.
The Assistant Secretary read Mr. Dabezies' report, as follows: the reports of the Treasurer and the office agree and all bills are paid. The City will be unable to let us have any part of the $30,000 promised for Golf Course No. 3 until the end of June or the beginning of July, due to the change in collection of City taxes, and unless funds are obtained in the next few days the work on the course will have to be discontinued; the Finance Committee recommends that if necessary $5,000 be advanced to the Special Golf Course Committee from the General Fund, pending receipt of the money from the City. Mr. Nungesser moved that the recommendation of the Finance Committee be accepted. Mr. Stich seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE.
Colonel Worthington invited all Board members to see the jacaranda trees on the island and in the rose garden.
GOLF COMMITTEE.
Dr. Ketchum reported progress. No. 3 golf course is coming along very well and the Finance Committee's assistance is appreciated. The play on the driving range is better than ever. The Amateur City Championship tournament will be held June 1 on #2 course.

Dr. Ketchum asked for more time to consider the Goofy Golf Course matter.

Mr. Torre elated on the wonderful work done on #3 golf course in such a short time, with a comparatively small amount of money, and strongly urged that group tours of the members be arranged to see this great project and the development of this land.

LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.
Mr. de Verges recommended that Mr. Gandolfo write Mr. Samuel Rosenberg informing him of the Park Board's resolution adopted at the April meeting relative to the Sixteenth Section. The said resolution states:

"It is the recommendation of the Legal Committee that this Board not enter into negotiations until such time as the Orleans Parish School Board can satisfy it that it has completed negotiations with the Jefferson Parish School Board."

Mr. Gandolfo reported that he had been told by Mr. Rosenberg that there is no need for the Jefferson Parish School Board to be a party in the transaction, as it will have the same interest in the new piece of land as it has in the old.

Mr. de Verges feels that it is best to have the proposal submitted by the School Board.

Mr. Carrere moved that the Board go along with Mr. de Verges' recommendation to be vigilant. Dr. Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Rivet feels that at the proper time the Legal Committee will have to study the history of the Congressional Act and look into it in connection with the Legislative Act of Louisiana, as many changes have taken place since the School Board came into existence, and consequently the proposed bill of the School Board may prove to be unconstitutional.
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - no report.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - no report.

STADIUM COMMITTEE.
In Mr. Janssen's absence Mr. Laborde reported that a lease is being prepared for professional football game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Green Bay Packers.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE - no report.

SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE - no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE.
Mr. Heiny reported that the tennis courts are in fine shape and tennis should show great improvement this summer.

PARKER ISLAND.
Mr. Rivet reported that he had delivered the proposed draft of ordinance approved by the Legal Committee to each member of the City Council, but that no action has yet been taken. Mr. Fred Cassibry has promised Mr. Rivet to present the ordinance next Thursday.

RIDING ACADEMY.
Mr. Nungesser reported that only one proposal was received from the Crescent Riding Academy Inc. In the Committee's opinion it conforms to the terms and conditions outlined, and he moved that this proposal be accepted and the Committee be authorized to proceed with the preparation of the lease, the matter to be brought back to the Board for authorization. Mr. LeCorgne seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

After discussion, the matter of agreement of City Park and the Christian Brothers on lessor-lessee rights in case of fire and other perils covered by insurance, was referred to the Legal Committee, with full power to act, on motion of Mr. Generes, seconded by Mr. Schoen and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Heiny moved that the Board approve defraying the expenses of Messrs. Laborde and Bush to the American Institute of Park Convention at Long Beach, California, in the fall. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

The next Board meeting will be held Monday, June 27, at 8 p.m.

Adjournment - 9.30 p.m.

[Signature]
President

[Signature]
Assistant Secretary
Board of Commissioners of City Park

City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

June 27, 1960

Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

Twenty-four Coast Guard regulation Life Jackets costing $97.67 has been purchased and is now available without charge to the public using the Park's boating facilities. Less than one percent of the people using the boating facilities request the life jackets; most people approve the availability of the jackets for someone else to use.

We are now in the process of removing alligator grass in all the Park lagoons. It is estimated that approximately 1,000 truck loads of aquatic growth will be removed from the lagoons and probably 200 additional truck loads from the shorelines of Bayou St. John.

The Council of the City of New Orleans approved on June 16, 1960 the dredging and removal of Parker's Island by the N. O. City Park Improvement Association. Mr. Heibak had estimated that the Island and adjacent areas would provide at least 10,000 cu. yds. of fill. The Council also approved a special appropriation of $30,000.00 to be used in connection with the construction of the Park's New Golf Course.

The following bids were received by the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans for furnishing labor and material for the installation of water mains in City Park's New Golf Course area in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Sewerage & Water Board.

- Mike Cullen Contractor ........................................ $11,806.10
- Beh Bros. Construction Co., Inc. ............................ 12,943.25
- Oliver Meyers & Sons ........................................... 13,265.25
- Wallace Drennan Inc. ........................................... 14,177.10
- Kelly-Generes Construction Co. ............................. 14,467.00
- Gee. W. McEgy & Co. ........................................... 14,556.50
- J. L. Rumold & Co. .............................................. 20,311.32
No. 2

Board of Commissioners of City Park

The low bid submitted by Mike Cullen Contractor was approved by Mr. Backer, Members of the Golf Committee, and the Sewerage & Water Board. Mr. Wiedorn and the Sewerage & Water Board Engineers will supervise the entire project. The balance of the special appropriation amounting to $18,193.90 will be used for sand, equipment rental, special Tiftgreen Bermuda grass for greens and tees and other incidentals.

The north and south east wing of the stadium was rented to the LeDrena Productions Inc. of Dallas, Texas and WTX Radio Station for three days for the staging of a Music Festival, and to audition Junior Bands for future music festivals. Although the attendance was poor the Park received a rental of $1,200.00 for this event.

The attendance at the Park's Sunday night concerts has increased at least 20% over last year. Thus far our Sunday night entertainment programs has been excellent. An elaborate program is being prepared for July 4th weekend.

The Park Board's permission is requested to provide some type of hospitalization service for our full time park employees. A Blue Cross plan has been received which would provide a reasonable amount of coverage for our employees at a cost of $3.60 per month, per employee, or approximately $4,000.00 per annum. A non-budgeted amount sufficient to provide hospitalization coverage for the next six months has been earned from various activities held at the stadium. Funds to provide hospitalization coverage after 1960 would be requested from the City of New Orleans in our annual budget.

The State Department of Commerce in cooperation with the Daughters of the American Revolution provided a historical marker for Fort St. John which was erected at Spanish Fort.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager

EPL/1h
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Monday night, June 27, 1960, at 8 p.m. in the Board Room. The following members were present:

Mr. Backer in the Chair, and

Messrs. E. A. Carrere Jr.
Wm. H. Courret
H. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
Maurice Dufour
H. E. Farley
Arthur Feitel
F. C. Gandolfo Jr.
S. J. Gonzales Sr.
George Grundmann
H. K. Heiny
Herbert Jahncke
F. B. Ketchum
J. C. Nungesser
George Riehl
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P. H. Sitges
Frank J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
F. R. Worthington
Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED

F. J. Dreyfous
Wm. M. Garic
A. H. Generes
J. S. Jansen
E. R. LeCorgne
J. Garic Schoen
C. E. Whitmore

ABSENT

H. M. Wilkinson

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Nungesser, seconded by Mr. Heiny.
The General Manager's report was read and acted upon as follows:

Hospitalization

Mr. de Verges moved that the President, the General Manager and Mr. Nungesser inquire into the forms of coverage offered by the various insurers for hospitalization for park employees, with full authority to act. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

The General Manager's report as acted upon was received, on motion of Mr. Nungesser, seconded by Mr. Jahncke.

The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:

1. Letter from N.O. Lodge No. 30, B. P. O. E., thanking Mr. Laborde for assistance in making the Flag Day ceremonies an occasion to remember.

2. Letter from the Daughters of the American Revolution Historic Workers, expressing appreciation for help in making the dedication ceremonies at Fort St. John a wonderful success.

On motion of Mr. Dabezies, seconded by Mr. Rivet, the General Manager was authorized to spend $325.00 to air-condition the park automobile. Motion adopted unanimously.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE - no report.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - no report.

Concessions & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE. Mr. Dufour moved that fifty additional benches be purchased at an approximate cost of $300. Mr. Nungesser seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Riehl voted against the motion.

Mr. Carrere moved that the General Manager be authorized to discuss the matter of concessions lease with Mr. Fitzpatrick of the F. and F. Amusement Company, and that the President, Executive Committee and the Concessions and Entertainment Committee be given authority to advertise for bids, if necessary. Mr. Sitges seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Fitzpatrick's request to increase prices be granted. Mr. Couret seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE. Mr. Dabezies reported that the reports of the Treasurer and the office agree - all bills are paid - golf and the driving range are doing very well and tennis is catching up.
FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE— no report.

GOLF COMMITTEE. Dr. Ketchum reported that golf is going along splendidly. Mr. Harry Batt and his brother expect to present plans for a putt-putt course next season.

The Assistant Secretary read letters received from Shady Oaks Golf Club and Vista Shores Club, asking to be given special privileges on Golf Course No. 3. Mr. Carrere moved that #3 golf course be handled under the same terms and conditions as the other courses and that Mr. Laborde so advise these clubs. Dr. Ketchum seconded the motion. Adopted.

GROUND COMMITTEE— no report.

LEGAL COMMITTEE— Mr. de Verges reported that the lease had been prepared for rental of the stadium to the La Brena Productions & WTIX Radio Station for a music festival, and the rent had been collected. Mr. de Verges reported that the Orleans Parish School Board has indicated further action in the 16th Section matter. Mr. Gandolfo, Chairman of the 16th Section Committee, stated that he felt the matter should now be handled by the Legal Committee. Mr. de Verges moved that matters pertaining to the 16th Section be referred to the Executive and Legal Committees. Mr. Stich seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. The President then discharged the 16th Section Committee with thanks.

PIANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE— no report.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE— no report.

STADIUM COMMITTEE. The Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Jack DeFeo, N. O. Baseball Club, asking permission to rent City Park Stadium for two major league exhibition games in April 1961. Mr. Carrere moved that the Board approve the idea of having the American or National League play exhibition games in City Park, provided we get adequate rental— the rental to be determined in accordance with previous resolutions adopted by this Board. Mr. Jahnske seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Riehl asked to be recorded as voting against this motion.

Mr. Grundman moved that the application of Lou Messina of the Messina Boxing Club to hold boxing shows in the park be rejected. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Messrs. de Verges, Rivet, Carrere and Gonzales voted against this motion, as they feel the matter should be given further consideration.

SWIMMING POOL - no report.
Mr. Backer announced that the Board is supposed to adjourn for the months of July, August and September, but that it had been decided by the Board last summer to hold an August meeting; therefore asked for a motion in this connection. Mr. Gonzales moved that the Board adjourn for the summer, the President to call a meeting if he finds it necessary. Motion seconded by Mr. Heiny, put to a vote and carried. The next regular meeting of the Board will be Sunday, October 16, at 10 a.m.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE. Mr. Nungesser moved that this Committee be authorized to consummate the matter with the Crescent Riding Academy, Inc., the successful bidder, subject to approval of the Legal Committee, and that the President be authorized to sign the lease. Mr. Rivet seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. Riehl and Mr. Feitel objected.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE. Mr. Grundmann reported that there is a very good chance that Bayou St. John will be dredged; the administration is favoring it, and the money is in sight.

TENNIS COMMITTEE. Mr. Heiny reported that night play on the courts has been very satisfactory, despite the hot weather. There are 812 boys and girls in the CYO Clinic, and there are approximately 2000 tennis players.

NEW BUSINESS
The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Jack R. Schega, Jr., pertaining to leasing certain lands and water rights in Bayou St. John from Lake Pontchartrain to the locks, under private management. Mr. Laborde was asked to look into the matter, ascertaining what Mr. Schega wants, and what he proposes to pay, and to report to the Board at its next meeting.

Adjournment 10:10 p.m.

[Signature] Assistant Secretary

[Signature] President
ORDINANCE
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
CITY HALL JUNE 9, 1960
CALENDAR NO. 2085

NO. 1938 MAYOR COUNCIL SERIES
BY: COUNCILMAN CASSIBRY

BY ORDINANCE approving the removal or dredging away by the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association of that portion of "PARKER ISLAND" previously dedicated for park purposes;

WHEREAS, by Commission Council Series Ordinance No. 18,007, portions of "Parker Island", located in Bayou St. John, opposite Blocks Nos. 1218, 1219 and 1268, was utilized for the erection of a bridge across Bayou St. John and was dedicated to public use as a street, to allow for the extension of Mirabeau Avenue across said Bayou St. John and across said property; and

WHEREAS, that portion of the property described as "Parker Island" that was not used for the erection of a bridge was dedicated to public purposes for use as a park, became a part of the New Orleans City Park and was placed under the supervision of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association; and

WHEREAS, by Commission Council Series Ordinance No. 18,774, that portion of "Parker Island" so placed under the supervision of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association and which had been previously dedicated as a park was declared to be no longer considered as dedicated or designated as a park for public use but nevertheless remained a portion of the New Orleans City Park under the supervision and jurisdiction of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, and

WHEREAS, the portion of Bayou St. John which extends behind that portion of "Parker Island", and up to the new roadway or extension of Mirabeau Avenue, has become stagnant because the current of Bayou St. John does not flow in the area with the result that the area has become a menace to the health of the nearby residents; and

WHEREAS, that portion of "Parker Island" no longer dedicated as a park has become a refuge for the dumping of trash and refuse, therefore

SECTION 1. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS HEREBY ORDAINS, That the dredging and removal by the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association of that portion of "Parker Island" which forms part of the New Orleans City Park, under the supervision and control of said association, is hereby approved, said work to be performed without cost or liability to the City of New Orleans.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.
MOTION
CITY HALL
June 16, 1960
BY: COUNCILMEN CASSIBRY AND FITZMORRIS & SCHIRO

WHEREAS, in the Amendment to the 1960 Capital Budget
$30,000.00 in bond funds are appropriated to the Parkway and
Park Commission as the City's participation in the cost of
construction of a new nine-hole golf course at City Park, and

WHEREAS, this project has been in progress for
several months, being financed to its present stage with funds
of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, and

WHEREAS, bond funds appropriated for this purpose
are not expected to become available until the latter part of
1960 and such late availability would interrupt continuous
progress in the work and result in untimely completion,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That there be advanced to the Parkway
and Park Commission $15,000.00 in the month of June, 1960
and $15,000.00 in the month of July, 1960 from Miscellaneous
Capital Funds for the purpose aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER MOVED, That such advances from
Miscellaneous Capital Funds shall be reimbursed from proceeds
of bonds to be sold for "Playground sites and Park and Playground
improvements and equipment" when such proceeds become available.

THE ABOVE MOTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE
ADOPTION OF SAME AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS  Burke, Cassibry, Clasen, Curtis, Fitzmorris, Schiro - 6

NAYS:  0

ABSENT:  Hickey - 1

AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.

CLERK'S OFFICE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
JUN 16 1960

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of
Motion adopted by the Council of the City of New Orleans
at its session held on JUN 16 1960

CLERK OF COUNCIL
ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS JUN 16 1960

Delivered to the Mayor on JUN 16 1960

Approved: JUN 17 1960

Returned by the Mayor on JUN 17 1960 at 2:30 P.M.

CLERK'S OFFICE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
City Hall, JUN 17 1960

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of
Ordinance No. 1938 of Mayor-Council Series as officially
promulgated and on file in this ordinance book in this office.

Clerk of Council
June 27, 1960

To the President and Board of Commissioners of the
New Orleans City Park Improvement Association -- City

Gentlemen:

Herewith my report of receipts and disbursements for
the month of May 1960, as follows:

Balance on hand April 30th, 1960
$ 20,011.91

Received during the month of May 1960
49,931.75

$ 69,943.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid by checks # 6042 - 6184
44,410.10

$ 25,533.56

Journal Entry

13.30

$ 25,546.86

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

TREASURER
To: Mr. Ellis P. Laborde, Supt.
City Park Improvement Assn.

From: David R. McGuire, Jr.,
Chief Administrative Officer

CC: Councilman James E. Fitzmorris, Jr.

The Bureau of Accounting has called to our attention the public voucher drawn in favor of N. O. City Park Improvement association in the amount of $6,000.00 which you submitted after Council adoption last Thursday of the ordinance appropriating that sum for the 1960 Capital Budget Project designated "Installation of Water Lines for Riding Stable".

I am returning this voucher to you with the request that it be cancelled and that in lieu thereof you prepare and submit a requisition with specifications for the work to be done to the Bureau of Purchasing.

The Bureau of Purchasing will then issue a Purchase Order to the Sewerage and Water Board in the exact amount of the cost of the project within the limits of the appropriation approved by the Council.

The reason for handling this payment different from the manner in which the golf course advances were made is that this is a specific project for which the appropriation was made on the basis of a cost estimate which may be somewhat in excess of actual costs. In the case of the $30,000 appropriation for the new golf course there was the different situation of the City making a contribution in a specified amount toward a project which was undertaken by the N. O. City Park Improvement Assn. with its own funds.

D. R. H. D. R. M.

Ellis, perhaps S. or W. B. could assist in preparing specifications if you do not have them.

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the appropriation and allocation of $6,000.00 to the 1960 Capital Budget Project of the City Park Improvement Association, designated "Installation of Water Lines for Riding Stables" from Miscellaneous Capital Funds.

SECTION 1. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS HEREBY ORDAINS, That the Director of Finance be and he is hereby authorized and directed to allocate the sum of $6,000.00 from Miscellaneous Capital Funds to the City Park Improvement Association 1960 Capital Budget for the purpose of installing water lines to the Riding Stables.

SECTION 2. That pending amendment of the 1960 Capital Budget, there is hereby appropriated from Miscellaneous Capital Funds the sum of $6,000.00 for the purpose aforesaid.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS AUG 25 1960

GLENN P. CLASEN
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Delivered to the Mayor on AUG 25 1960

Returned by the Mayor on AUG 26 1960 at 5:30 P.M.

V. H. SCHIRO
ACTING MAYOR

J. CLAFFEE
ACTING CLERK OF COUNCIL

CLERK'S OFFICE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
City Hall
AUG 26 1960

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 1983 Mayor-Council Series as Officially promulgated and on file in Ordinance Book in this office.

Acting Clerk of Council
October 16, 1960

Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

Since the last Park Board meeting, I attended several conferences with members of the State Legislature, Mr. Claude Kirkpatrick, Director of the Dept. of Public Works, and City Officials, to assist in formulating plans for the dredging of Bayou St. John. After receiving numerous recommendations from City Officials and other interested parties, the Dept. of Public Works made numerous boring tests of the Bayou to determine which recommendation was the most practical. Upon completion of the boring tests, Mr. Arthur Theis, Engineer for the Dept. of Public Works, submitted a plan to the Bayou St. John Committee and Mr. Backer which provides for the dredging of a section of Bayou St. John to an approximate depth of ten feet in center. The dredging would start at Lafitte Street and probably terminate in the general vicinity of Esplanade Avenue. It was estimated by Mr. Theis that a minimum of 75,000 cubic yards of fill would be obtained from the dredging of this section of the Bayou. The Dept. of Public Works requested a resolution from the City Park Board authorizing them to deposit spoil in the vicinity of Wisner Boulevard between Mirabeau Avenue and Robert E. Lee Boulevard. Meetings were also held with Mr. Jack Scheega, Jr., pertaining to the leasing of certain water rights in Bayou St. John from Robert E. Lee Boulevard to the mouth of Lake Pontchartrain. Mr. George Riehl has prepared plans on this matter which he will submit to the Board for consideration.

Numerous details pertaining to the construction of the Riding Academy has been completed. The Council of the City of New Orleans on August 18, 1960, adopted an ordinance calendar No. 2136 allocating $6,000. to the 1960 Capital Budget for the installation of water mains in City Park. The water mains will serve the Riding Academy and a large section of the second nine hole golf course area. Plans, specifications, and contract for this project has been prepared by the Sewerage & Water Board.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

THE FOLLOWING PARK CONCESSIONAIRES WHOSE LEASE EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 1960, HAVE REQUESTED THE RENEWAL OF THEIR LEASE FOR ONE YEAR.

PONY CONCESSION - MONTHLY RENTAL $ 40.00
BIKE CONCESSION - MONTHLY RENTAL 75.00
BOATING & FISHING CONCESSION - MONTHLY RENTAL 100.00
F & F CONCESSION - MONTHLY RENTAL 1,425.10

PARK AMUSEMENTS INC., OWNER AND OPERATOR OF MECHANICAL RIDES AND DEVICES ON THE PICNIC GROUNDS, HAS ADVISED US THAT THEY WILL EXERCISE THEIR OPTION TO RENEW LEASE WITH THE N. O. CITY PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSN. FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR COMMENCING ON JAN. 1, 1961 AND ENDING ON DEC. 31, 1961. THE PARK AMUSEMENTS INC. ANNUAL RENTAL IS $5,000, OR 12 1/2% OF THE GROSS RECEIPTS, WHICHEVER IS THE GREATER.

AS A RESULT OF OUR PUBLICATION IN THE N. O. TIMES PICAYUNE INVITING THE SUBMISSION OF SEALED BIDS FOR PROVIDING CERTAIN HOSPITALIZATION BENEFITS FOR CITY PARK EMPLOYEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS PREPARED BY A SPECIAL COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT BACKER, THE FOLLOWING SIX BIDS WERE RECEIVED AND SUBMITTED TO THE SPECIAL HOSPITALIZATION COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION.

AVOYELLES INSURANCE COMPANY
BLUE CROSS HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION
CONNECTICUT GENERAL LIFE INS. CO.
CROWN LIFE INS. CO.
NEW YORK LIFE INS. CO.
WABASH LIFE INS. CO.

THE PRO FOOTBALL GAME BETWEEN THE PITTSBURGH STEELERS AND THE GREEN BAY PACKERS HELD AT CITY PARK STADIUM ON AUGUST 13TH WAS WELL ATTENDED. A RENTAL OF $1,917.48 WAS COLLECTED BY THE PARK FOR THE USE OF STADIUM FOR SAID GAME. THE N. O. POLICE BENEFIT SHOW ALSO HELD AT THE STADIUM ON AUGUST 8TH WAS ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY 15,000 PEOPLE.

MR. JOSEPH BUSH AND MYSELF ATTENDED THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PARK EXECUTIVES CONVENTION AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA LAST MONTH. THE CONVENTION PROVIDED MUCH VALUABLE INFORMATION. CITIES SELECTED FOR FUTURE PARK CONVENTIONS ARE:

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK - 1961
KANSAS CITY, MO. - 1962
WASHINGTON, D.C. - 1963
A special appropriation of approximately $10,000 is requested from the Board to purchase the following equipment.

(1) Dump Body Truck
(1) Heavy Duty Tractor & Rotovator
(1) Police Car
(1) Small Tractor and assorted grass cutting machines.

The Rotovator would enable us to level the golf course fairways and ball diamonds, thus eliminating the necessity of buying so much river sand each year.

Hundreds of Golden Rain trees which bloomed in City Park for the first time in 1940, are again covered with large clusters of yellow and pink flowers. The oldest and most attractive Golden Rain trees may be seen around the Conservatory and on Marconi Drive. Candelabras are also in bloom throughout the park.

Four Oak trees commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Birth of John J. Pershing, General of the Armies, were planted on Wisner Boulevard at Mirabeau. The ceremonies which lasted two hours included several prominent speakers and music by a Military Band.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of N. O. City Park Board was held on Sunday morning, October 16, 1960, at 10 o'clock, in the Board Room.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mr. Albert F. Backer Sr. in the Chair, and Messrs.

E. A. Carrere Jr.
Wm. H. Couret
W. Dabezies
Ed J. de Verges
Maurice Dufour
Arthur Feitel
F. Gandolfo
Wm. H. Garic
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
Herbert Jahncke
James S. Janssen
Fred D. Ketchum
Earl R. LeCorgne
J. C. Nungesser
George Riehl
Charles L. Rivet
J. Garic Schoen
Frank J. Stich
Louis J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
F. R. Worthington
Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED
F. J. Dreyfous
H. E. Farley
A. H. Generes
C. E. Whitmore

ABSENT
P. H. Sitges
H. M. Wilkinson

The President reported that all committees had done a wonderful job this summer; many committee meetings were held, and he had not found it necessary to call a Special Meeting of the Board.
Mr. Backer then announced that the Levee Board proposes to build a bridge or a crossing over Bayou St. John at Robert E. Lee Boulevard, that he and several members of the Board met with Mr. Gallinghouse, President of the Levee Board, and Mr. Armand L. Willoz, Chief Engineer, and that the latter asked to appear before the Board at this morning’s meeting to present his plan. Mr. Riehl has also prepared a plan. Mr. Backer asked that the meeting be interrupted upon Mr. Willoz’ arrival so as to permit him and Mr. Riehl to present their plans to the Board.

Mr. Backer congratulated Mr. Jahncke on his election as President of the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art.

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the June meeting, which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr. Couret, seconded by Mr. Heiny.

The General Manager’s report was read and acted upon as follows:

Mr. Dabezies moved that the contractor who is awarded the contract by the Department of Public Works, be authorized to dump soil from Bayou St. John into the park at the place designated by the General Manager. Mr. Dufour seconded the motion. Adopted.

At this point the meeting was interrupted to hear from Mr. Willoz, who explained his plan in detail and answered the questions put to him by the Board members. Mr. Riehl then explained his plan, going through the same procedure.

After discussion of the matter, Mr. de Verges moved that the Board approve in principle the plan prepared by Mr. Riehl as being the type of bridge the Board would like to have over Bayou St. John—with 2 control gates five feet in diameter, plus a 2h inch culvert with control, the minimum width of the control structure to be 30 feet. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Carrere moved that a committee be appointed from this board to confer with the Levee Board concerning these plans, and that the matter be brought back to the Board. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. The President appointed the following Special Committee to meet with the Levee Board: Mr. de Verges, Mr. Feitel, Mr. Jahssen and Mr. Riehl, the latter to serve as Chairman.

Mr. Willoz was apprized of the Board’s decision and advised that he would refer back to the Levee Board and would work further with Mr. Riehl and the committee appointed.

The General Manager’s report was taken up again.
Mr. Riehl presented plans prepared by him in connection with leasing of water rights in Bayou St. John to Mr. Jack Schega, Jr. Mr. Gandolfo moved that Mr. Riehl's plan be approved in principle; Mr. Lecorgne seconded the motion.

Dr. Ketchum made a substitute motion that a committee be appointed to consider the matter further and report to the Board at the next meeting. Mr. Stich seconded the motion. Substitute motion put to a vote and carried.

A Special Committee composed of Mr. Riehl as Chairman, Mr. Dufour, Mr. Jahncke, Mr. Janssen, Mr. Rivet and Mr. Torre has been appointed by the President to study the matter further.

Mr. de Verges moved that all leases referred to in the General Manager's report be renewed for one year. Mr. Couret seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

Mr. Nungesser reported that of the 5 bids submitted in connection with hospitalization for park employees, the Crown Life Insurance Co. bid is apparently the most advantageous, but further consideration will be given the matter by the committee.

Mr. Dabezies moved that in accordance with recommendation of the Finance Committee $10,000 be appropriated for the purchase of the equipment as requested in the General Manager's report. Mr. Nungesser seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. Gonzales moved that the General Manager's report as acted upon be accepted. Mr. Riehl seconded the motion. Carried.

Vice Presidents - no report.
Secretary - no report.
Treasurer - Mr. Torre reported that the park is operating within the budget.
Executive Committee - no report.
Advisory Committee - no report.

Finance Committee:
Mr. Dabezies reported that finances are in good shape. Receipts from golf and the driving range will run between $12,000 and $15,000 above the budget this year, and tennis is doing well.
Some time ago the Board had authorized loaning $5,000 to the Golf Committee for the completion of the first 9 holes on golf course No. 3. On recommendation of the Finance Committee Mr. Dabesies moved that this $5,000 be changed to a contribution from the general fund to the golf course fund, thereby wiping out the Golf Committee's obligation. Mr. Grundmann seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

Tennis Committee:
Mr. Haini reported that tennis receipts are $856.50 ahead of the same period last year. It will be necessary to purchase the usual amount of rubico tennis court material this winter to maintain the courts in good shape, but this expenditure is within the budget. Numerous tennis tournaments were held on the courts.

Concessions and Entertainment Committee:
The concert season has been very successful.

Flowers and Horticultural Committee:
Colonel Worthington reported that his report was covered in the General Manager's report.

Golf Committee:
Dr. Ketchum reported that golf is in healthy condition. The first nine holes of No. 3 golf course are 90% complete and plans are being developed for the second nine holes. The driving range has developed competition by 2 other driving ranges, but business is still good.

Dr. Ketchum moved that, as in the past, No. 1 Golf Course be rented for a professional tournament in 1961. Mr. LeCorgne seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

At Dr. Ketchum's request, the Assistant Secretary read a letter received from Mr. Harry J. Bart, Jr., of Parks Amusements, Inc., with reference to an 18 hole illuminated miniature golf course, a Par 3 illuminated 9 hole course, a club house with TV, a lounge and rest-room. Dr. Ketchum moved that this letter be turned over to the Golf and Grounds Committees for thorough investigation and report to the Board at the next meeting. Mr. Nungesser seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Grounds Committee: no report.

Legal Committee:
Mr. de Verges reported that he had prepared the lease for the professional football game and had reviewed the Riding Academy lease.

He asked that the record show his appreciation to Messrs. Rivett, Carrere, and Stich for the cooperation and assistance given him in matters referred to the Legal Committee for attention.
Mr. de Verges moved that the Board ratify the action of the President in signing an agreement with New Orleans Public Service, Inc. permitting the installation of an additional transformer vault in the McFadden House. Mr. Couret seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Planning and Development Committee- no report.
Lagoons Committee- Mr. Grundmann reported progress.
Publicity Committee- no report.
Swimming Pool Committee- no report.
Stadium Committee- no report.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter written by Mr. Charles L. Rivet, Secretary of Isaac Delgado Museum of Art, asking that City Park Board furnish four names as board members of the Museum, from which two will be chosen. The terms of Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet as City Park Board representatives expire this year.

Mr. Feitel nominated Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet. Dr. Ketchum seconded the nomination. The nomination was approved by the Board.

Mr. de Verges asked that the minutes show that he is mindful of the services which Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Rivet have rendered Delgado Museum and City Park Board, but he objects to their nomination for the sole reason that this Board has been criticized in the past in the public press about continuing people in office.

Mr. Jahncke nominated Mr. Grundmann. Dr. Ketchum seconded the nomination. The nomination was approved by the Board.

Messrs. LeCorgne, Nungesser and Stich were nominated but declined with thanks.

Mr. Feitel nominated Mr. Torre. Nomination seconded by Messrs. Nungesser, Riehl and Heiny. The nomination was approved by the Board.

Dr. Zander moved that nominations be closed. Mr. Feitel seconded the motion.

The President asked that as many members of the Board as possible attend the ceremony of acceptance of a portrait of the late Judge Frank J. Stich in Judge Chase's court, on Tuesday, October 18, 1960, at 10 a.m.
Mayor Morrison had advised Mr. Laborde that he had been approached by Dr. G. E. Burch with reference to the construction of a planetarium in City Park which would cost in the neighborhood of one million dollars. Mr. Laborde has written Dr. Burch asking that he submit plans and specifications, details on operation and financing, but he has not received a reply.

The President reported that Mr. Laborde had been asked to serve on an important committee of the American Institute of Park Executives, which will necessitate his going to Wheeling, W. Va., in March 1961 and that he had authorized his acceptance of the honor and the expenditure of $200. Dr. Ketchum moved that the action of the President be ratified. Mr. Heiny seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Jahncke submitted a plan for the fountain, which is satisfactory to his family. Mr. de Verges moved that this plan, prepared by Mr. Riehl, and submitted by the Jahncke family, be accepted, and that the work on the fountain begin. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Adopted unanimously.

On behalf of Governor Davis, Mr. Nungesser presented a certificate to Mr. Laborde appointing him a Colonel on the Governor's Staff.

Adjournment 12:45.
Board of Commissioners of City Park
City Park
New Orleans 19, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my monthly report.

Mr. Arthur Theis, Engineer for the Department of Public Works, advised me that his department will start advertising for bids for the dredging of Bayou St. John on or about November 25th, and expects the actual dredging of the Bayou to begin during the early part of January 1961. An area paralleling Wisner Boulevard from Mirabeau Avenue to the general vicinity of Filmore Avenue is being cleared to deposit the spoil from the Bayou.

The special Hospitalization Committee appointed by President Backer, approved the hospitalization benefit plans submitted by Crown Life Insurance Company. The plan provides hospitalization coverage for all City Park full time employees and will cost $3.26 per employee per month or approximately $4,000.00 per annum. A booklet containing these benefits is herewith submitted for the Board's information.

Mrs. Franklin J. Hoey of #2833 St. Charles Avenue was critically wounded by a mysterious bullet while preparing to put on the second hole of the park's No. 2 course on Wednesday, October 19th at approximately 9:30 a.m. Immediately after the shooting Mrs. Hoey was rushed to the Mercy Hospital where she died on October 22, 1960. Efforts to locate the person who fired the fatal shot has thus far been unsuccessful. City Detectives are still working on the shooting.

Thirty loads of organic fertilizer valued at $25.00 per load has been hauled into the park from New Orleans Stock Yard. We are planning on hauling at least one hundred more loads within the next few weeks.
Fourteen thousand Pansy plants were planted in beds throughout the park, and (260) Rose bushes needed for replacement has been ordered to be delivered in January. An excellent rose soil mixture is being prepared for distribution in all rose beds. With favorable weather, we should have excellent Rose gardens again next Spring.

The City Park employees contributed $558.00 to the United Fund. This amount represents an increase of $100.00 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of N. O. City Park Board was held
on Sunday 11/20/60, at 10 a.m. in the Board Room.
The following members were present, constituting a
quorum:

Mr. Albert F. Backer, Sr. in the Chair, and

Messrs:
E. A. Carrere
H. Dabezies,
Ed J. de Verges
Maurice Dufour
H. E. Farley
F. Gandolfo
Wm. M. Garic
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
George Grundmann
H. E. Heiny
J. S. Janssen
F. D. Ketchum
George Riehl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. Garic Schoen
P. H. Sitges
Frank J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
Frank R. Worthington
Edwin L. Zander

EXCUSED:
Messrs.
Wm., H. Couret
F. J. Dreyfous
Arthur Feitel
A. H. Genores
Herbert Jahncke
E. R. LeCorgne
J. Chris Nungesser
C. E. Whitmore

ABSENT:
Mr. H. M. Wilkinson

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last
meeting which were adopted as read, on motion of Mr.
Gonzales, seconded by Mr. Schoen.
The Assistant Secretary read the General Manager's report which was acted upon, as follows:

Mr. de Verges moved that the recommendation of the Hospitalization Committee to make a hospitalization contract with the Crown Insurance Company be accepted. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

The General Manager's report was received on motion of Mr. Heiny seconded by Dr. Ketchum.

The following communications were read, ordered received and filed:

Letters of appreciation from the following:
Boy Scouts of America for cooperation in connection with their 1960 Camporee.
F. & F. Concessions for extension of lease for one year.
Mayor Morrison, Mr. C. E. Whitmore, Councilman T. M. Hickey and Mrs. Ellen Moore for flowers.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — no report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Dabezies reported finances in good shape, thanks to golf. Golf and the driving range will make a profit of at least $50,000 this year. An Interstate Bank liquidating dividend of $134,000 was collected on stock inherited from Mr. Couvares.

Mr. Backer reported that he and Mr. Laborde had called on Mayor Morrison and Mr. McGuire and obtained a promise of $35,000 on capital improvement for the golf course, and promise of a $3,000 increase over the 1960 appropriation. They also appeared and asked for an additional $7,000 appropriation to take care of the cost of hospitalization, tree surgery, and the increased rates of Social Security and telephone and electric lights.

CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT — no report.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE — Colonel Worthington reported that the flowers will be very beautiful next spring.
GOLF COMMITTEE.
Dr. Ketchum reported that Mr. Thomas, the Golf Pro, has been elected President of the American Association of Golf Tournament Sponsors. Mr. Laborde was asked by the President to convey the Board's congratulations.

Dr. Ketchum asked for more time on the miniature golf matter.

Dr. Ketchum reported that the Golf Committee would like to have golf facilities second to none for the use of New Orleans golfers and visiting golfers whose numbers have increased recently. In order to put the courses in condition equivalent to the private courses, it is recommended that three working leaders be employed in supervisory capacity, one man to have charge of each course, under the supervision of the General Manager and the Golf Pro. This would require additional funds and Dr. Ketchum read the Golf Committee's proposed rate increase and also the proposed improvements (this recommendation is attached to these minutes). He then moved that these recommendations be accepted and the ten cents additional be added to the 25¢ maintenance fee fund. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

GROUNDs COMMITTEE- no report.

TENNIS COMMITTEE- Mr. Heiny thanked Mr. Garie for donating a silver trophy for tennis.

LEGAL COMMITTEE.
Mr. de Verges reported that the Riding Academy lease has not been executed. The contractor was unable to furnish bond, as he had not provided for profit in his figures. Five individuals have offered to act as surety for the contractor. The form of surety presented by them was not satisfactory but they have agreed to have our Legal Committee draw up a form for execution by them. The specifications need revision. Mr. Riehl will review them, advise Mr. de Verges of the requirements, and Mr. de Verges will notify the Riding Academy.

The one year extension to the Park Amusement's lease, covering the operation of mechanical rides and devices on City Park picnic grounds has been drawn up and executed.

There were no reports from the following Committees: Planning & Development, Publicity, Stadium and Swimming Pool.

LAGOONS COMMITTEE- Mr. Grundmann reported progress.
SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Mr. Riehl, Chairman of the following Committees, made the following reports:

Mr. Willoz has presented to the Orleans Levee Board the plan for the bridge across Bayou St. John.

The advertisement for special equipment for the Jahnke fountain brought only one bid— from the Briner Electric Co. of St. Louis. One third of the price was paid when the order was placed, and as soon as the material is received, work will begin on the fountain.

Mr. Riehl moved that the Bayou Beautification Plan be approved in principle by the Board and that the Committee be authorized to carry on further with Mr. Jack Schega, as to how he proposes to finance the plan, details of construction, etc. Dr. Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Mayor Morrison with reference to a proposed combined project of Planetarium and Museum of Science and Industry in City Park. In accordance with the Mayor's request, Mr. Laborde was authorized to meet with the Committee, composed of Mr. James Ganus, Dr. George Burch and Mr. George Sorensen, to go over the details of prospective site and report to the Board at the next meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held Sunday, December 18, 1960, at 10 a.m.

The election of officers for 1961 will be held. The meeting will be followed by the usual Christmas party.

Adjournment 11:35.

Asst. Secretary

President
NUMBER OF GOLF TICKETS SOLD IN 1959 AND RECOMMENDED GOLF FEE INCREASE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1961.

Number of Golf Green Fee tickets sold on No.1 Golf Course during 1959 39,006

Number of Golf Green Fee Tickets sold on No.2 Golf Course during 1959 49,805

Increase of greens fee on No.1 course from $.50 to $1.60 and " " " " No.2 " " $1.25 to $1.35 would provide approximately $9,000.00.

Increase in ladies' monthly golf tickets from $5.00 to $7.50 and " " Men's " " from $8.00 to $10.00 approximate revenue $5,000.00

Increase in ladies' 6 months tickets from $25. to $35.

Increase in men's 6 months tickets from $.50 to $50.

would provide an annual revenue of $600.00

ESTIMATED ANNUAL REVENUE DERIVED FROM THESE INCREASES $15,000.00

10¢ to be added to 25¢ on maintenance fee would be 35¢ instead of 25¢.

In consideration for these increases, we propose to spend approximately $1,000. for mason sand to be used in sand traps - employ three additional men to work on golf courses - provide at least one additional electric water cooler on No.1 course and rest room facilities by starter house on No.2 course.

Note: 10,799 more greens fee tickets were sold on No.2 course than on No.1 course during 1959.
Board of Commissioners of City Park

City Park

New Orleans 19, Louisiana

December 18, 1960

Board of Commissioners of City Park

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit my Annual report listing some of the major activities and improvements in City Park during 1960.

1 - The first nine holes of the proposed 18-hole Golf Course in City Park is approximately 95% completed; the remaining 5% consists mostly of land and water beautification. Construction of the first nine holes costing approximately $125,000 was made possible by funds contributed as follows:

- Golfers using Park facilities $62,500.00 or 50%
- City of New Orleans 30,000.00 or 24%
- City Park's estimated $30,000.00 ($25,000.00 in labor and material and $5,000.00 from general account) or 24%
- Various Organizations and Individuals contributed equipment and materials valued at approximately $2,500.00 or 2%

2 - Our constant efforts to improve the Park's facilities has provided remarkable increases in revenue since 1950. The following are some comparative revenues derived from Park facilities during the first eleven months of 1950 and 1960.

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3 - Completed plans and specifications for the Jahncke Fountain and purchased most of the material for same. $5,400.00 was donated to the Park by the Jahncke Family for the construction of an illuminous fountain in City Park.

4 - Completed plans and specifications and executed lease for the construction and operation of a Riding Academy in City Park.

5 - Renewed or granted extensions to the following leases.

- F & F CONCESSION COMPANY
- PARK AMUSEMENTS INC.
- BICYCLE CONCESSION
- PONY CONCESSION
- BOATING & FISHING CONCESSION
- KRUPP'S TENNIS SHOP
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6 - Provided Hospitalization Surgical and Medical Benefits for all Park employees working forty hours or more per week. The entire cost of these benefits amounting to $3.26 per employee per month or approximately $4,000.00 per annum, is being provided by the New Orleans City Park. The plan became effective December 1st.

7 - The Park's landscaping has been improved by the planting of additional Rose bushes, Camellias, Azaleas, and Amaryllis. We now have over 6,000 Amaryllis which will be ready to plant throughout the park this Spring.

8 - Remove over 500 truck loads of aquatic growth from the park lagoons.

9 - Repaired McFadden building's roof and other sections of building

10 - Repaired Casino building roof, Reception room floor and stairways

11 - Repaired roofs of other buildings throughout the park

12 - Repaired and replaced bridges spanning park lagoons

13 - Purchased and spread 1,500 yards of river sand on golf courses Nos. 1 & 2

14 - Purchased 350 yards of Mason sand for traps

15 - Purchased new equipment

16 - Purchased Sound Equipment to be used in connection with Summer Concerts, and installed communication system between Golf Club House and Starter Houses

17 - Resurfaced 24 tennis courts and purchased 10 new tennis nets

18 - Mr. Wm. Garlic donated a Drink Counter which was installed in the Reception room, and 30 Foam Rubber cushions for the Board Room.

19 - The Council of the City of New Orleans by Ordinance No. 18007 authorized the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association to remove the portion of Parker's Island that was not used in connection with the construction of the Theard bridge. It is estimated that Parker's Island will provide about 7,000 cubic yards of fill.
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20 - Sixty-two loads of Organic fertilizer valued at $25.00 per load was hauled into the park from the New Orleans Stock Yard, and 160 loads valued at $10.00 per load has been hauled without charge into the park by Fair Grounds Corporation.

21 - Improved drainage in back section of park by installing three culverts. $850.00

22 - Placed historical marker at Fort St. John which was provided by the State Department of Commerce in cooperation with the Daughters of the American Revolution and City Park.

23 - The following major activities were held in City Park this year.
One Professional football and two Professional Baseball games.
One National and numerous Inter-organization Golf Tournaments.
Forty-two High School Football games.
Sixty Tennis Tournaments including the State Championship.
The National Sugar Bowl Tennis Tournament is scheduled to be held in City Park on December 28th, 29th, and 30th.
Seventy-two Track meets.
Sixteen Summer Concerts and One Police Show. The attendance at the Summer Concerts was much better than previous year.
The number of picnics held in City Park show an increase of approximately ten percent over 1959, but a decrease of about 20% from 1958; the decrease may be attributed to park integration and closing of the swimming pool. Ten colored picnics were held in City Park during the summer months. There were no major racial disturbances in the park although several potential troublesome situations had to be resolved.

24 - The Finance Committee, the President and Vice President, approved a Park's operating budget of $445,000, for the year 1961. Approximately 71.9% of the budget or $320,000, is for payroll; 28.1% or $125,000, is for the complete park's operation excluding payroll. Our City budget appropriation of $220,000, represents approximately 49-2/5% of the total park's operating cost or 68.3% of employees payroll. The park through its own earnings from Concessions, Golf, Driving Range, Tennis, Stadium, etc., provides 50-3/5% or $225,000, towards the park's operation cost. Funds received from Golf Facility Improvements and the New Golf fees are not included in the above mentioned amounts, as these funds are dedicated for specific purposes. City Park for the first time since its creation in 1891, is earning more than half of its operating budget.
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25 - I attended a meeting with members of the Science & Industry Committee relative to the feasibility of constructing a Science & Industry Museum and Planetarium in City Park. After a thorough discussion on the proposed building, the following sites were inspected.

1 - Area bounded by Orleans Canal, Marconi Drive and Robert E. Lee Boulevard (former site of U.S. Government Radio Station).
2 - Area immediately back of U.S. Agricultural Research Laboratory fronting Wisner Boulevard.
3 - Area East of Delgado Museum bounded by Dreyfous and Lelong Avenues. The Science, Industry and Planetarium Committee will submit a proposal to the Park Board for consideration within the next few weeks.

26 - Due to tree uprooting, soil subsiding, and heavy traffic, at least 20% of the park streets and walkways will need repairing during the ensuing year.

- One hundred and fifty pounds of Moss was shipped to Mr. Donald Bent, float builder from Altadena, California. Mr. Bent will use the moss in the construction of a "New Orleans" float which will be entered in the 1961 Tournament of Roses parade on January 2, 1961 in Pasadena, California.

Capital funds in the amount of $130,000 have been appropriated for the re-design and signalization of the intersection of Marconi-City Park-Orleans Avenue. The re-design will convert the two-way roadways of Marconi and Orleans into two lane one-way roadways through the intersection of City Park Avenue. An electronic traffic controller will assure the swift and efficient movement of the ever increasing vehicular volumes through this key intersection. This project is expected to be completed by September 1961 according to information received from Mr. John Exnicious, Assistant Traffic Engineer.

The Floral arrangements for the Board's annual meeting was donated by Mr. Herman Farley, and the Golf Course shaped cake was donated by Judice's Bakery of #2113 North Claiborne Avenue.

A special appropriation of $3,000.00 is requested from the Board to overhaul park equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Laborde, General Manager
The regular meeting of New Orleans City Park Board was held Sunday morning, December 13, 1960. The following members were present, constituting a quorum, Mr. Backer in the Chair and

Messrs. E. A. Carrere Jr.
Mr. H. Courret
H. Dabezies
J. de Verges
Maurice Dufour
Arthur Feitel
Mr. H. Garic
A. H. Generes
S. J. Gonzales, Sr.
Geo. Grundmann
Herbert Johncke
J. S. Jensen
F. D. Ketchum
E. A. LeCorgne
J. C. Nungesser
George Richl
Chas. L. Rivet
J. G. Schoen
F. J. Stich
L. J. Torre
Alfred Wellborn
C. E. Whitmore
F. R. Worthington
E. L. Zander

Excused
F. J. Dreyfous
H. E. Farley
H. E. Heiny

Absent
P. H. Sitges
H. H. Wilkinson
F. Gandolfo

The Assistant Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Richl asked that the minutes be amended to show that Mr. Willez has prepared but has not yet presented the plans for Bayou St. John bridges to the Orleans Levee Board. Mr. de Verges moved that the minutes, as amended, be adopted. Mr. Torre seconded the motion. Motion adopted.

The Assistant Secretary read the President's annual report, which is attached to these minutes. Mr. Generes moved that this report be accepted and that he be given a vote of thanks. Messrs. de Verges and Feitel seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.
Mr. Backer asked that all Board members visit the McPadden house, which has been transformed into a beautiful building, with a fine heating system.

The President reported that the following ten year terms of office will expire in 1961: Mr. Johnke in April, Mr. Sitges in May and Mr. LeCorps in June.

The General Manager's annual report was read and accepted on motion of Mr. Wellborn seconded by Mr. Garic. Motion put to a vote and carried. Each Board member was given a copy of the General Manager's report, also copy of the 1961 budget prepared by the Finance Committee.

Mr. Dabezies moved that $3,000 be made available to the General Manager for the purpose of overhauling park equipment. Mr. Difour seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

Mr. de Veres moved that Mr. Laborde be reappointed General Manager for the year 1961, his salary to be increased to $12,000.00 a year. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

Mr. de Veres moved that Mr. Bush be reappointed Assistant General Manager for the year 1961, his salary to be increased to $7,250.00 a year. Mr. Generes and Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

On motion of Mr. Generes, seconded by all members of the Board, Mrs. Schexnaydre was reappointed Assistant Secretary for 1961, her salary to be increased to $150. a month. Motion adopted.

There were no reports from the Vice Presidents, Treasurer or Secretary.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE- no report.
CONCESSIONS & ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE- no report.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE
Mr. Dabezies reported that finances are in good condition, thanks to golf and the driving range. All current bills are paid. He moved that on recommendation of the Finance Committee the budget, as prepared, be approved, and put into effect. Mr. Whitmore seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

FLOWERS & HORTICULTURAL COMMITTEE- no report.

GOLF COMMITTEE
Dr. Ketchum thanked the President for his remarks on golf activities, also thanked the Board, the Golf Committee, the management, the pro, and all who have helped build #3 golf course.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE- no report.
LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Mr. de Verges thanked the President for his kind remarks.

He reported that the Crescent Riding Academy submitted a surety bond for execution by five members who were to sign the bond for the contractor, which bond was not acceptable. The Legal Committee made a draft of a surety bond which was acceptable as drawn and the five members signed the notarial act, which has been recorded.

The N. O. Public Service has requested the right of way to install poles to bring in lines to the Riding Academy.

Mr. de Verges will look over their proposal as to legality and then refer the matter to Mr. Nungesser.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE—no report.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Mr. Whitmore reported that Mr. Jahncke was re-elected President of Delgado Museum Board unanimously. Mr. Jahncke told the Board that he was honored to have been re-elected and urged all City Park Board members to become members of the Delgado Museum. Messrs. Rivet and Carrere will serve on the Delgado Board for a 3 year term and Mr. Jahncke feels that both will contribute much to the operation and success of the museum. Mr. Rivet congratulated Mr. Jahncke on having obtained $17,000 appropriation from the City— the former appropriation was $47,000.

The President asked the Assistant Secretary to read a letter addressed to him by Mr. Whitmore, in which he had declined nomination to the Delgado Board, due to his health. Mr. Backer reported that he had the Board polled and it was the unanimous decision to nominate Mr. Carrere to replace Mr. Whitmore. Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Backer's action in having the Board polled be ratified. Mr. Generes seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried.

STADIUM COMMITTEE

Mr. Janssen moved that in accordance with request of the N. O. Prep League, their contract be renewed for a two-year period. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion. Adopted.

The President asked that the Assistant Secretary read letters written by him to Messrs. Andrus and Wilkinson, inviting them to this meeting and to the Christmas party, also Mr. Andrus' reply that he would be out of the city. There has been no reply from Mr. Wilkinson.

Mr. de Verges moved that the action of the President in mailing copies of the article in the Readers' Digest referring to public schools in parks be approved. Mr. LeCorgne seconded the motion. Adopted.

There were no reports from the Swimming Pool, Lagoons and Tennis Committees.
SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

RIDING ACADEMY COMMITTEE

Mr. Hungesser's report was covered by the reports of the Legal Committee and the General Manager.

Mr. Riehl presented to the Board the plan prepared by Mr. Willoz, to be presented by Mr. Willoz to the Orleans Levee Board for ultimate approval. Mr. Riehl has reviewed this plan and approves it. Mr. de Verges moved that the plans as prepared by Mr. Willoz and reviewed by Mr. Riehl and presented to this Board represent what the park expects for bridges at that point and that they be approved. Mr. Feitel seconded the motion. Motion put to a vote and carried. Mr. de Verges complimented Mr. Hungesser, a member of this Board and of the Orleans Levee Board, for his fine cooperation in this matter.

BAYOU BEAUTIFICATION PLAN

Mr. Riehl reported that there is a matter of zoning to be clarified and that at his Committee's request Mr. Laborde has written to Mr. Charles F. O'Daniel, Jr., Director-Secretary, City Planning Commission, relative to zoning restrictions. No reply has been received as yet. Mr. Feitel expressed opposition to the plan, as he feels it will create a health hazard in the Bayou.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from Mr. Hu B. Byers, Chief Engineer, State of Louisiana, Department of Public Works, who is completing plans and specifications for excavating Bayou St. John, asking the General Manager to advise him the area available for spoil disposal and also the manner in which it can be used.

Mr. Generes moved that the Board express appreciation to Mr. Garic for the gift of the refreshment stand and the cushions. Motion seconded by Mr. Hungesser and adopted unanimously.

Mr. Hungesser moved that Mr. Farley be thanked for the floral arrangements sent to this meeting. Mr. Garic seconded the motion. Motion adopted unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. de Verges moved that Mr. Earl R. LeCorgne be nominated President. Mr. Dabezies and Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion and moved that nominations be closed. Mr. LeCorgne was elected President by acclamation.

Dr. Ketchum moved that Mr. George Riehl be nominated First Vice President. Mr. Carrere seconded the motion and moved that nominations be closed. Mr. Riehl was elected First Vice President by acclamation.
Mr. Generes moved that Mr. Carrere be nominated Second Vice President. Mr. Dabezies seconded the motion and moved that nominations be closed. Mr. Carrere was elected Second Vice President by acclamation.

On motion of Mr. de Verges seconded by Mr. Dabezies, Mr. Torre was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

On motion of Mr. Dabezies seconded by Mr. LeGorgne, Mr. Dufour was elected Secretary by acclamation.

In the name of the members of the Board, Mr. Grundmann presented to Mr. Backer an engraved silver platter, with appropriate remarks. Mr. Backer expressed deep appreciation of the beautiful gift.

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

[Signature]

PRESIDENT
TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF CITY PARK
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

GENTLEMEN:

WHEN YOU HONORED ME WITH THE PRESIDENCY OF CITY PARK,
I ACCEPTED IT WITH GREAT HUMILITY, BEING CONSCIOUS OF MY SHORTCOMINGS
AND FEARFUL THAT I WOULD NOT MEASURE UP TO THE STANDARDS OF MY
ILLUSTRIOUS PREDECESSORS, WHO HAD ACCOMPLISHED SO MUCH TOWARDS BRINGING
THE PARK UP TO ITS PRESENT HIGH STANDING, OF WHICH WE ARE ALL JUSTLY
PROUD.

I THEREFORE THANK YOU SINCERELY FOR THE HONOR BESTOWED
UPON ME AND TODAY I HAVE AN EVEN GREATER LOVE FOR THE PARK, AND HOPE TO
CONTINUE TO SERVE ON THE BOARD FOR MANY MORE YEARS.

THE PAST YEAR HAS BEEN A BUSY ONE AND I AM AMAZED AT THE
TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK THAT GOES INTO THE RUNNING OF THE PARK, WHICH
IS BECOMING MORE BEAUTIFUL AND ATTRACTIVE EACH YEAR. THE PUBLIC NEVER
REALIZES THE TIME THE COMMISSIONERS DEVOTE TO THE PARK. SO WE GET OUR
SATISFACTION FROM KNOWING THE JOB HAS BEEN WELL DONE.

I WILL NOT GET INTO DETAIL AS TO ALL OF THE PROJECTS
AT PRESENT AND THOSE ACCOMPLISHED DURING THE YEAR AS I AM SURE MR.
ELLIS LABORDE WILL ENUMERATE THEM.

MY JOB AS PRESIDENT HAS BEEN MADE EASIER THROUGH THE
WONDERFUL COOPERATION GIVEN ME BY EACH AND EVERY BOARD MEMBER. DURING
THE YEAR WHENEVER I REQUESTED A MEMBER TO TAKE ON AN ASSIGNMENT, THERE
WAS NOT A SINGLE REFUSAL AND EVERYONE WORKED HARD AND CONSCIENTIOUSLY
TO ACCOMPLISH THE DESIRED RESULTS. THE BULK OF THE POLICY MAKING WORK
or operating the Park is done by committees, and this is as it should be.

With the full realization that it is not fair to single out any one committee or any one particular Board Member, I cannot help but mention and express my profound thanks to the following who have rendered exceptional and outstanding service:

Dr. Fred Ketchum, who has done a Herculean job of watching over the construction of the third Golf Course. Fred has spent several mornings each week inspecting and conferring with the personnel of the Park, going over every phase of the construction of the new course.

Mr. Ed. Deverges, who has taken care of the legal affairs and never fails when called upon, nor has his committee. I happen to be one of the few men who knows the tremendous amount of time and effort he has given to the Park without financial remuneration. I shudder, and I am sure Hippolyte Dabezies would shudder also, if we had to pay for these legal services out of our budget. At times he has made trips to Baton Rouge to endeavor to have proper legislation passed, and I cannot commend him nor his committee too highly.

Mr. Chris Nungesser, who has worked long and diligently for the Riding Academy, which we hope will be completed and in full operation next year. In addition he also gave of his time and intimate knowledge when we were considering the hospitalization program for Park employees.

Probably no man has devoted more time and effort to the Park during the past year than Mr. George Riehl. He has worked closely in the planning and designing of the Jahncke fountain, which will be a credit to the Park, as well as the new Golf Course, for which he probably submitted 35 plans before the present one was accepted. He has also
worked with the Riding Academy Committee, Bayou St. John Marina Committee, as well as plans for the crossing over the Bayou at Robt. E. Lee Blvd., all of which not only took considerable time but he also drew some very interesting sketches, all pertaining to these projects.

Mr. Hippolyte Dabezies, who should be commended for his sound and conscientious knowledge of finances, of which he has given so freely.

Messrs. Lecomne and Worthington should be commended for their help in beautifying the Park considerably, and Mr. Duffour for his work in heading the Committee for Entertaining. Mr. Grundmann has looked after the lagoons in a very efficient manner, and my thanks are due to him also.

I might mention that I would like to emphasize I think that every other member of the Board would have worked just as hard had they been called upon, and the combined work of all Commissioners and their sound judgment and vision have been most helpful.

I have left for last special mention of the excellent cooperation given me at all times by the Park personnel. Mr. Ellis Laborde has been on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and has taken no time off for vacation. His knowledge of the Park and the Park's affairs have been most helpful, and we should be thankful we have a man such as Mr. Laborde to manage the numerous and strenuous affairs of the Park. He has the confidence of the city government and all his employees, and is always ready to extend every cooperation.

In addition I would like to express my thanks to Mr. Joe Bush, Miss Hagstette, Mrs. Schexnaydme and others in the office for their wonderful office help during my tenure in office; also to Mr.
HENRY THOMAS AND MR. SCHAEPFER FOR THE EXCELLENT AND CONSCIENTIOUS WORK THEY HAVE DONE IN THE FIELD.

AS FAR AS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE, I CAN ONLY REPEAT PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY PAST PRESIDENTS—THAT IS, THAT THE BY-LAWS BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR A STANDING NOMINATING COMMITTEE, NOT ONLY FOR THE NOMINATION OF OFFICERS BUT TO CONSIDER NOMINEES TO FILL VACANCIES ON THE BOARD. I NOW REPEAT THIS RECOMMENDATION AND FEEL IT IS VERY DESIRABLE THAT THIS BE DONE.

SO AGAIN THANKING YOU ALL FOR YOUR WONDERFUL COOPERATION AND WITH MY VERY BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE, I REMAIN

YOURS TRULY,

A. F. BACKER, PRESIDENT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CITY PARK

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