

RESOLUTION NO. 06-279

**A RESOLUTION AS IT PERTAINS TO USE OF CITY OF
PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FUNDS FOR PARKS &
RECREATION AS AUTHORIZED BY PROPOSITION 8 IN
THE MAY 2006 ELECTION (ACCOUNT NO. 120-1429-
582.59-05 FY06)**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Port Arthur approved Proposition 8 in the May 2006 election which allows for \$250,000 of funds from the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation ("PAEDC") to be used for parks, recreation, amateur sports, etc.; and

WHEREAS, a plan for use of said funds was presented by the City of Port Arthur to the Board of Directors of the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation on July 12, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the PAEDC Board of Directors approved the plan attached as Exhibit "A" in an amount up to \$250,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR:

Section 1. That the facts and opinions in the preamble are true and correct.

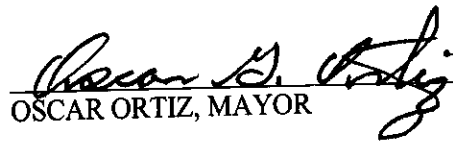
Section 2. That the plan submitted by the City of Port Arthur Parks and Recreation Department is approved for use of PAEDC funds up to \$250,000.

Section 3. That a copy of the caption be spread upon the minutes of the City Council.

READ, ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this 18th day of July, A.D. 2006, at a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur, Texas by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Ortiz; Mayor Pro Tem Prince
City Council Lewis, Barker, Henderson, Flood,
Williamson, and Sinesal.

NOES: None

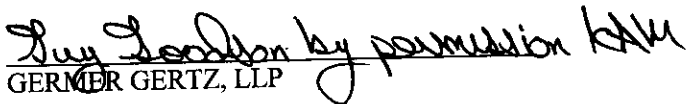

OSCAR ORTIZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

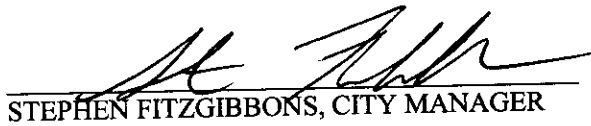

EVANGELINE GREEN, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


MARK T. SOKOLOW, CITY ATTORNEY


GERMER GERTZ, LLP

APPROVED FOR ADMINISTRATION:


STEPHEN FITZGIBBONS, CITY MANAGER

APPROVED AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:

REBECCA UNDERHILL, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

APPROVED FOR SECTION 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

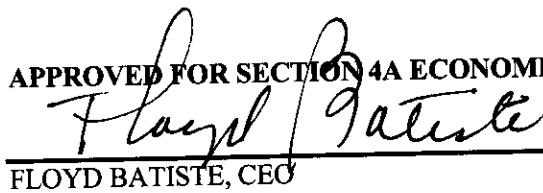

FLOYD BATISTE, CEO

EXHIBIT "A"

A Project Briefing

for

The City of Port Arthur City Council

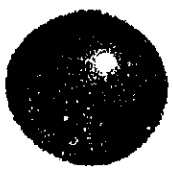
and

The Port Arthur Economic Development Corporation

By

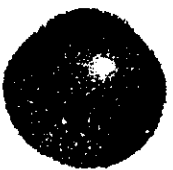
The City of Port Arthur

Parks and Recreation Department



Administrative Structure

- Stephen B. Fitzgibbons, City Manager
- Harvey L. Robinson, Ass't City Manager
 - Dr. Albert T. Thigpen, Interim Dir. Parks and Recreation
 - Thaddeus Sanders, Recreation Coordinator
 - Cheryl Gibbs, Administrative Assistant
 - Harriet Collins, Parks Maintenance Supervisor
 - Don Sostant, Maintenance Crew Supervisor



Mission Statement

**✿ To Make Port Arthur the
Best Place to Live, Work, and
Play...by Optimizing
Resources for Recreational
Programming**



GameTime, Inc.

Hurricane Relief Grant

Qty	Description	MFG List Price	Hurricane Relief Grant Price
5	Slidetopia PowerScape + Play Units	\$ 144,230.00	\$ 72,115.00
1	Crescent Loop PowerScape + Play Unit	\$ 33,515.00	\$ 16,757.00
1	Community Center PowerScape + Play Unit	\$ 39,572.00	\$ 19,786.00
	Freight	\$ 11,612.71	\$ 11,612.71
	Installation [all parks]	\$ 53,664.00	\$ 53,664.00

Standard Total Project Cost Grant Total Project Cost

\$ 282,593.71 \$ 173,935.21



Background

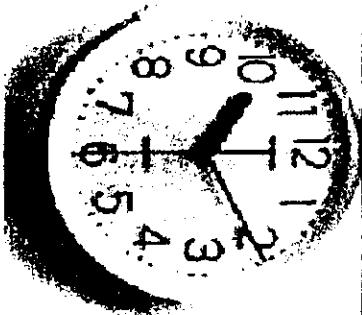
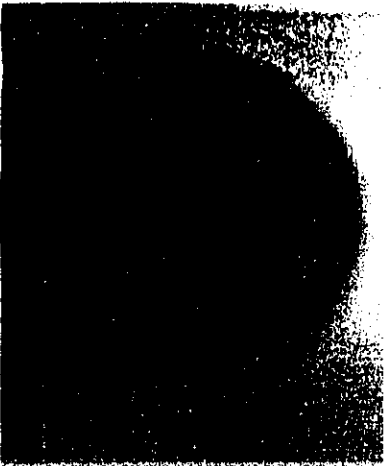
❖ THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR IS A FULL SERVICE CITY SITUATED ON THE GULF COAST OF TEXAS. IT HAS A POPULATION OF APPROXIMATELY 60,000 OF MULTI-ETHNIC MIXTURE.

❖ THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT IS ONE OF SEVERAL ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS UNDER THE CITY MANAGER'S DIRECTION. IT HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSEEING MAINTENANCE OF OVER 500 MILES OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND 33 PARKS/FACILITIES. ADDITIONALLY, THE DEPARTMENT FACILITATES, OR ACTIVELY HANDLES, A NUMBER OF SPECIAL EVENTS AND PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

Proposition Number 811111

Use

For Year, shall the existing Section 4/A Sales Tax be amended to give of Profit Authority be utilized for amateur sports and other purposes and events, including ball parks, baseball fields, and related concessions within a category of projects under Section 4/A Sales Tax. Whereas, Code Statutes, with the amendments proposed in all Section 4/A Sales Tax, shall not exceed \$ 500,000,000, shall be extended an additional 2/3 vote of the City of the proposed cost.



KEY PLANNING PRINCIPLES

- Comprehensive
 - Chronologically
 - Categorically
 - Geographically
- Longitudinal
 - Short term
 - Mid-range
 - Long range
- Fiscally and Socially Valid
 - Operates within anticipated funding
 - Dynamic qualities for a changing population

Project Prospectus – Cost Estimates

- ✱ Short term: Those projects on which work can begin and/or be completed in the next 30 to 120 days
- ✱ Mid-Range: Those projects on which work can begin, or which may be submitted for matching funding, within the next 180 days
- ✱ Long Range: Those projects which will require planning and/or on which can not begin before 180 days

Project Prospectus -- Cost Estimates

** SHORT TERM:

- Adams Park
 - O' Neal Field
 - Senior Field
 - Gibson Field
 - Pop Warner Football Field
 - Church Field
 - Open Field
- SCOREBOARDS
 - Landscaping
- » Estimated Cost
- Barbara Jacket Park
- Large Field
 - Lighting
 - Parking Lot
 - Landscaping
 - Dugout Renovation
- Small Field
 - Lighting

\$ 90,000

\$ 30,000

\$ 25,000

\$ 10,000

\$ 5,000

\$ 50,000

Project Prospectus – Cost Estimates

- County Park	
• Miguez Field	
- Scoreboard	\$ 10,000
• Girl's Softball Field	
- Scoreboard	
- Landscaping	\$ 15,000
- Eagle Park	
• Eagles Field	
- Scoreboard	
- Landscaping	<u>\$ 15,000</u>
	\$250,000
- <u>ALTERNATE</u>	
- Rose Hill Park	
• Softball Field	
- Parking Lot Renovation	
- Backstop Repair	\$ 30,000

Project Prospectus – Cost Estimates

✱ Mid-Range

– Application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for an Outdoor Recreation Grant in the amount of \$ 400,000 for a minimum total project cost of \$ 800 ,000.

– Grant Match

\$ 250,000 Prop. 8 Funds

– Grant Match

\$ 150,000 In-Kind/City/
Other Funds

\$ 800,000 Total (minimum)

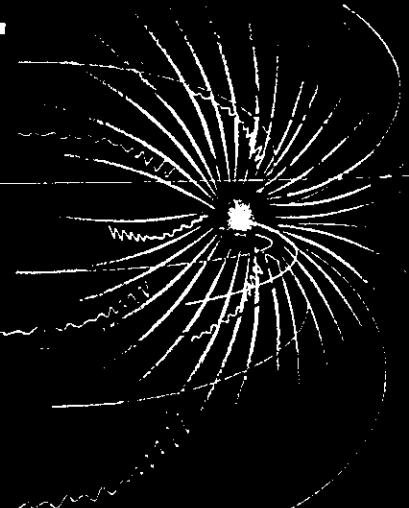
▶ Upgrades to Soccer Field

▶ Upgrades to Cricket Field

Project Prospectus – Cost Estimates

✧ LONG RANGE:

- A quadri- or quinti-field softball field complex at Adams Park. The complex would consist at a minimum of the following:
 - Four or Five State of the art softball fields to include lighting, irrigation systems, covered stands, and dugouts
 - Centralized fixed concession and restroom facility
 - Appropriate parking
 - Appropriate ingress and egress into the complex
- Early Cost (Engineering Ballpark) Estimates: \$ 3.5 Million



Proposition 8 – the voters have given us a unique tool with which to have a positive impact on the “quality of life” for citizens and visitors.

The planning construct employed will achieve the positive “quality of life” impact in the short, mid, and long range time periods for citizens and visitors.

Consistent, adherence and application, to the planning construct and plan will optimize available resources.

The end result –

“Better Quality of Life