

**Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request**

Meeting Date: September 25, 2012

Prepared By: Kurt Nielsen Phone #: 854-7218

Division Director/Manager: Charles Bergh, Division Director of Parks

Department Head:  Steven M. Manilla, P.E., County Executive-TNR

Sponsoring Court Member: Commissioner Davis, Precinct One

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Consider and take appropriate action regarding a License Agreement with Tracy Limon for purposes of having exclusive use of Webberville Park to host the annual Limon family reunion October 12th - 14th, 2012, in Precinct One.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

For the past 26 years the Limon family has celebrated their annual reunion at Travis County's Webberville Park. The reunion has always been held in mid October, a time when normal park usage has declined.

In October of 2006 the Commissioners' Court approved a rule prohibiting the display of the consumption of alcoholic beverages. Ms. Limon has requested entering into a License Agreement with Travis County to allow them exception to the rule. The Limon family has traditionally enjoyed the responsible consumption of alcoholic beverages during their annual reunion festivities. Considering the size of the Limon family reunion and its 26-year history at Webberville Park for this annual event, park staff recommends a licensing agreement be approved to allow the Limon family to have exclusive use of the park for the weekend of October 12th - 14th 2012.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval of this licensing agreement.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

This is an opportunity to continue with this traditional use of Webberville Park for this family event. This licensing agreement will continue to allow the Limon family to host their annual reunion at Webberville Park and to responsibly consume alcoholic beverages without violating park rules.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

There would be no budgetary or fiscal impact associated with this request. The Limon Family would pay the normal fees for shelter rental and would pay to have an off duty Ranger for security purposes during the Rangers normally unscheduled hours.

ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS:

Licence Agreement
Park Map

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

Cynthia McDonald	Financial Manager	TNR	854-4239
Steve Manilla	County Executive	TNR	854-9429
Roxanne Bonner	Asst. County Attorney	County Attorney	854-9415
Charles Bergh	Director	Parks	854-9408
Tracy Limon	Event Organizer		627-3411

CC:

Daniel Chapman	Chief Ranger	Parks	263-9114
Robert Armistead	Division Manager	Parks	854-9831
Kurt Nielsen	District Manager	Parks	854-7218
Jorge Contreras	Supervisor	Parks	276-9770

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August 31, 2012

Re: Limon Family Reunion

Dear Mr. Kurt Nielsen:

My name is Tracy Limon, and I am the Coordinator of the Limon Family Reunion. For the past twenty six years, the Limon Family has celebrated their Annual Reunion at Webberville Park in Precinct 1, Travis County. As individuals, we've been patronizing this park since it first opened. The natural beauty of this park, and the location, kept us coming back. Now, with all the improvements, we want this park to be the home of our future reunions, for many years.

During the weekend of the reunion, our family is usually the only ones out there. Due to the size of our family, we reserve all the Pavilions. As for the last couple of years we are familiar with the ordinance pertaining to alcoholic beverages in the park. We are requesting to be allowed to comply with the same contract we signed the last two years. We will be at the park Friday afternoon, October 12th, to set up. The Reunion is Saturday October 13th, through Sunday October 14th, 5pm.

I can meet with you, or any Park Employee you desire, to go over any information needed. I can be reached at 512-627-3411. Please email me the contract and I will get it signed and returned to you. My email is tracy_l@yahoo.com.

Thank you,

Tracy Limon

LICENSE AGREEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

This License Agreement (this "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between Travis County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("County") and Tracy Limon ("Licensee"), an individual residing in Travis County, Texas.

WITNESSETH

THAT WHEREAS, Licensee desires to use certain property located in that park known as Travis County Webberville Park (the "County Park") for the purpose of holding the "Annual Limon Family Reunion" (the "Event"), and County desires to allow Licensee use of the County Park for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, Licensee fully understands the fragile nature of the habitat of the County Park and intends to fully cooperate and take whatever steps are necessary to minimize all impacts upon the various habitats during Licensee's use of the County Park and to restore the County Park to its original condition after Licensee has completed the Event.

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Licensee, in consideration of the mutual promises herein expressed and the compensation herein agreed to be paid, covenant and agree to and with each other as follows:

I. GRANT OF LICENSE

1.1 County hereby grants a license to Licensee and its family members and friends, invitees, independent contractors and agents to enter and use approved areas within the County Park in connection with the Event (the "License"). Approved areas include those roadways, trails, and park areas, restroom and shelter facilities, and other park amenities in the licensed area, together with their associated rights-of-way, shown on **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes. Closure to the general public during the Event will include all of Webberville County Park.

1.2 The License includes the right to bring onto the County Park and to utilize thereon independent contractors and suppliers, personal property,

materials and equipment during the term of the License. Solely for the duration of the License Term, as defined below, the License also includes the right to bring alcoholic beverages into the County Park and to consume such beverages during the Event, an exception to the Travis County Park Rules currently in effect. Such permission shall terminate automatically upon conclusion of the License Term. **The Licensee agrees to the temporary park rule in place "Prohibiting Wood Fires" due to the extreme fire danger.**

1.3 Licensee agrees to make no structural changes to the County Park. However, the License allows for superficial preparation to be made to the County Park to facilitate Licensee's Event needs. Licensee agrees to leave the County Park in the same and as good a condition as when it was received, normal wear and tear excepted as determined by existing County parks policy.

1.4 Licensee acknowledges and agrees that Licensee shall be solely responsible at all times for the actions and the safety of those persons utilizing the County Park under this Agreement, including, without limitation, protecting such persons from injury or death and protecting County's property and the property of such persons from loss or damage.

1.5 Licensee agrees to use only designated parking areas, as determined by the Travis County Parks Division of the Transportation and Natural Resources Department ("the Parks Division") representative, to transport and park all vehicles and equipment brought into or onto the County Park by Licensee and its employees, agents, independent contractors and suppliers. At no time will Licensee be permitted to bring onto or into the County Park a number of vehicles that exceeds the capacity of the County Park parking lot, as determined by the Parks Division staff in its sole discretion.

1.6 During the License Term, as such term is defined below, Licensee agrees to take all reasonable measures to minimize noise and any other type of interference with or disruption of park neighbors.

II. TERM OF LICENSE

2.1 The License is granted from 7:30 p.m. Friday, October 12, 2012 until 7:30 p.m. Sunday, October 14, 2012 (the "License Term"). The License Term expressly includes the right to camp overnight in the County Park, an exception to current Travis County Park Rules. Licensee acknowledges and agrees that such dates and times are subject to postponement and/or rescheduling due to any cause or reason beyond the control of Licensee or as determined to be necessary by County.

III. PAYMENT TO COUNTY

3.1 In consideration of the License granted hereunder, Licensee shall be required to pay all County Park entry fees (if any), and all normal and customary fees charged to the public for shelter rental.

3.2 During the License Term, Licensee shall provide, at its own additional expense, security through employment of Travis County Park Rangers as reasonably necessary (to be solely determined by the Division of Parks) to ensure the safety and integrity of the persons and property brought onto the County Park for the purposes authorized under this Agreement. At a minimum, Licensee shall provide: (a) one Park Ranger (with vehicle) on-site beginning at midnight on Friday, October 12, 2012 until 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 13, 2012; and (b) one Park Ranger (with vehicle) on-site beginning at midnight on Saturday, October 13, 2012 until 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 14, 2012.

3.3 With respect to any additional expenses incurred by County above the expenses set forth herein, County shall invoice Licensee for the actual costs so incurred, and Licensee shall remit payment to County for the invoice amounts within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice(s).

IV. PERMITS

4.1 Licensee shall be solely responsible for the costs and the securing of any permits, licenses or other authorizations required by the City of Austin, TABC, the Lower Colorado River Authority, or other governmental entities.

V. CONTROL OF TRAVIS COUNTY

5.1 Licensee and its agents shall at all times obey the direction and commands of the Executive Manager of the Travis County Transportation and Natural Resources Department, or his designees (including the Director of the Parks Division and any and all Travis County Park Rangers), while in the County Park.

5.2 Licensee agrees to attend a pre-site meeting with TNR representatives, if TNR representatives, in their sole discretion, determine that such a meeting is necessary prior to commencement of the Event. Licensee shall be responsible for contacting Kurt Nielsen, or other authorized Parks Division representative, in order to arrange a time and location for such pre-site meeting that is mutually agreeable to the parties.

5.3 Except as provided herein, Licensee and its agents shall at all times follow the Travis County Parks Rules, including the prohibition against glass containers and fireworks. TNR staff shall provide a copy of all Travis County Park Rules to Licensee prior to commencement of the activities licensed hereunder. **Also the Licensee agrees to the temporary park rule in place "Prohibiting Wood Fires" due to the extreme fire danger.**

5.4 Licensee and its agents acknowledge and agree that disorderly conduct or assault, as defined by the Texas Penal Code, will not be tolerated. Such actions include, but are not limited to, abusive, indecent, profane or vulgar language that might cause a breach of the peace, or threatening or causing physical contact with someone else who might consider the contact offensive.

5.5 Any disregard of the directions, restrictions, rules or regulations referenced in this section shall be grounds for immediate revocation of the License by the Executive Manager of the Travis County Transportation and Natural Resources Department, the Director of the Parks Division, or their designated representatives, and such action is expressly authorized herein by the Travis County Commissioners Court.

VI. USE AND REPAIRS

6.1 Licensee shall not use the County Park for any purpose other than that set forth herein. Licensee, at its sole cost and expense, shall repair or replace any damage to the County Park caused by Licensee or any person entering the County Park in connection with the Event.

VII. INDEMNIFICATION

7.1 LICENSEE AGREES TO AND SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS COUNTY, ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, NEGLIGENCE, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, AND LIABILITY OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING ALL EXPENSES OF LITIGATION, COURT COSTS, AND ATTORNEYS' FEES, FOR INJURY TO OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON, FOR ANY ACT OR OMISSION BY LICENSEE, OR FOR DAMAGE TO ANY PROPERTY, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR LICENSEE'S USE OF THE COUNTY PARK.

VIII. SAFETY

8.1 County reserves the right to prohibit persons from entering the County Park at any time safety may be a concern.

IX. AMENDMENTS

9.1 This Agreement may be amended only by written instrument signed by both County and Licensee. IT IS ACKNOWLEDGED BY LICENSEE THAT NO OFFICER, AGENT, EMPLOYEE OR REPRESENTATIVE OF TRAVIS COUNTY HAS ANY AUTHORITY TO CHANGE OR AMEND THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY ATTACHMENTS TO IT OR TO WAIVE ANY BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT UNLESS EXPRESSLY GRANTED THAT SPECIFIC AUTHORITY BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF TRAVIS COUNTY.

X. NON-ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS

10.1 Licensee may not assign this Agreement or any portion or right thereof without the prior written consent of County.

XI. NOTICES

11.1 Any notice to be given hereunder by either party to the other shall be in writing and may be effected by personal delivery, in writing, or registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Notices shall be sufficient if made or addressed as follows:

If to Licensee: Tracy Limon
1900 Wheless Ln
Austin, Texas 78723
512-627-3411

If to County: Honorable Samuel T. Biscoe (or successor in office)
Travis County Judge
P.O. Box 1748
Austin, Texas 78767

And: Steven Manilla
Executive Manager
Travis County Transportation and
Natural Resources Department
P.O. Box 1748
Austin, Texas 78767

XII. VENUE AND CHOICE OF LAW

12.1 THE OBLIGATIONS AND UNDERTAKINGS OF EACH OF THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT ARE PERFORMABLE IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND THIS LICENSE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

XIII. MEDIATION

13.1 When mediation is acceptable to both parties in resolving a dispute arising under this Agreement, the parties agree to use a mutually agreed upon mediator, or someone appointed by the Court having jurisdiction, for mediation as described in Section 154.023 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code. Unless both parties are satisfied with the result of the mediation, the mediation will not constitute a final and binding resolution of the dispute. All communications within the scope of the mediation shall remain confidential as described in Section 154.073 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, unless both parties agree, in writing, to waive the confidentiality.

XIV. ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT

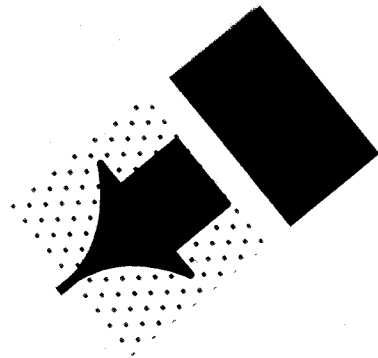
14.1 This Agreement represents the sole, entire and integrated Agreement between County and Licensee with respect to the subject matter herein and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements either oral or written.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date(s) set forth below.

TRAVIS COUNTY:

By: _____
Samuel T. Biscoe
Travis County Judge

Date: _____



LICENSEE:

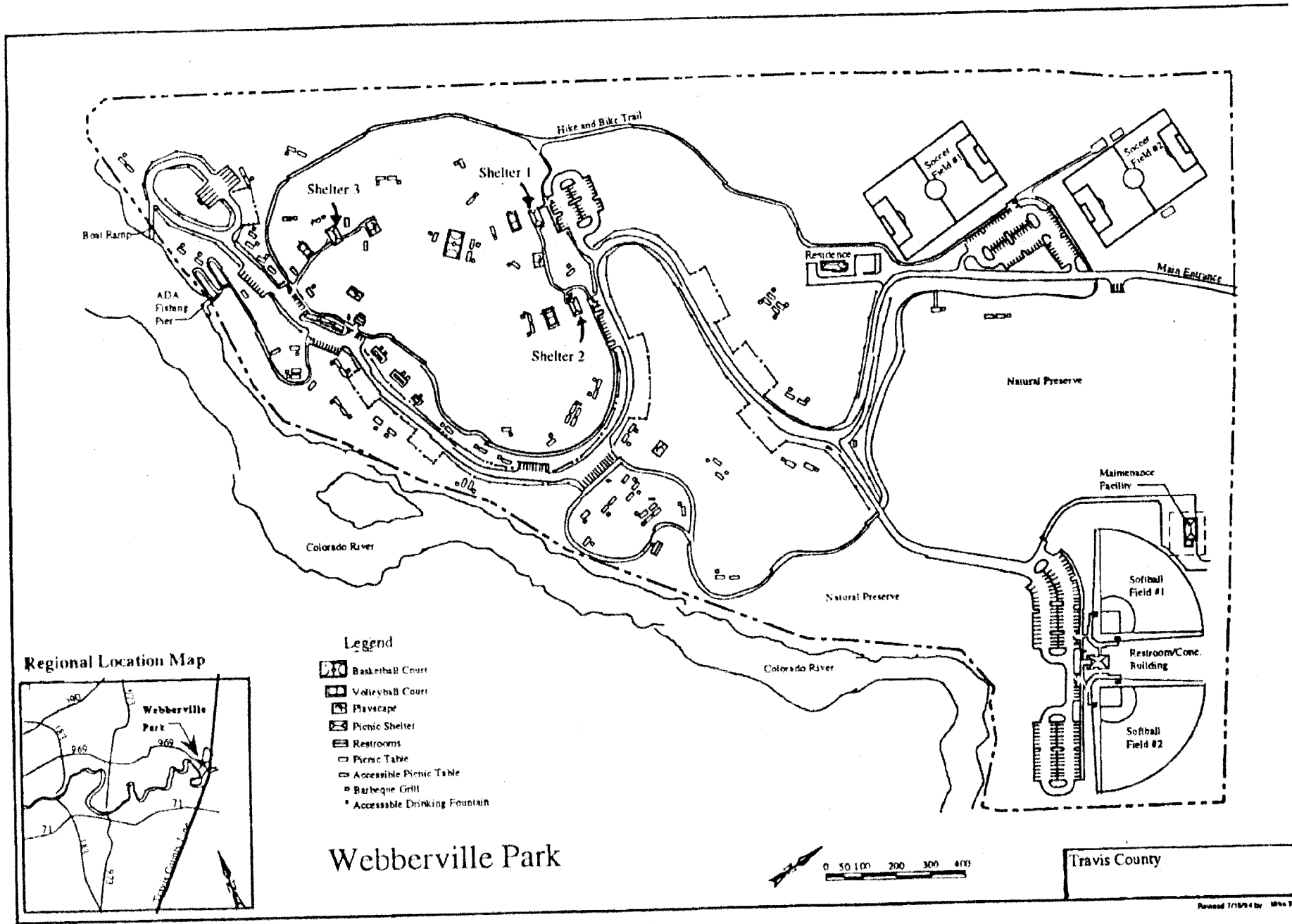
By: Tracy Limon
Tracy Limon

Date: 9/11/12

EXHIBIT A

Licensed Areas in Webberville Park

(attached map)



For more information about this or any other Travis County Park, please call 473-9437