



South Lamar Neighborhood Association

Resolution of the South Lamar Neighborhood Association regarding the lack of development of our neighborhood pocket park at 2900 – 3000 Del Curto Road.

Whereas the South Lamar Neighborhood Association (SLNA) was formed in 2001 and immediately realized the lack of parkland in our neighborhood and made acquiring a Park as a top priority, and

Whereas City Council allocated 2006 bond money to construct approximately 10 pocket parks throughout the city and the South Lamar Neighborhood was selected for funding for this pocket park, and

Whereas in 2007 as part of a rezoning case, SLNA negotiated a restrictive covenant with Cypress Properties to dedicate land to create a much needed park, and

Whereas SLNA was successful in acquiring land from Cypress and additional adjacent property was purchase by PARD in 2009, and

Whereas PARD manager Ricardo Soliz and PARD architect Marty Stump held design charettes held in August 2009 with the neighborhood residents, and

Whereas following those exercises, plans were drafted in 2009 to construct a playscape, half basketball court, and shelter/pavilion, and other amenities would soon be constructed, and

Whereas PARD staff distributed a Project Schedule in July 2010 indicating construction to begin in May 2011, and

Whereas PARD's project schedule also indicated the park would be "Open for Use" in October 2011, and

Whereas PARD let the first site plan application expire due to lack of progress, and

Whereas the PARD 2012–13 budget actually claims this park "has been enhanced" (Vol 1, 241), and

Whereas the project has still not been sent out for bids and therefore
NO Construction has yet taken place as of February 21, 2013.

Be It Resolved That the South Lamar Neighborhood Association, by a unanimous vote at the February, 2013 SLNA general membership meeting, do hereby request the Mayor and City Council direct the City Manager to take all steps necessary to expedite PARD's completion of our neighborhood park.