CITY OF FREEPORT BEAUTIFICATION/PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 13, 2008 Visitor's Information Center 5:30pm

Members & Visitors Present:

Joan FieldsPam WinkworthNorma GarciaJanice HawleyTina RobledoErica AyalaMargaret McMahanMingo MarquezLarry Fansher

Meeting was called to order.

Guests were recognized: Tina Robledo and Erica Ayala

Discuss/Consider Proposal to Open and Operate Antonelli's Root Beer Stand:

Tina advised that the minimum insurance requirements were obtainable.

A lease fee of \$25.00/six month lease was discussed.

Tina proposed to pay a \$150.00/month fee for use of electrical services. It was discussed that the AC requirement from the Health Dept. was the responsibility of the tenant as well as all appliances for the business. The City has agreed to let the tenant use the mugs that are on the premises but would do an inventory first. The tenant is also required to furnish the serving and preparation tables. The City will continue to look into the possibility of having Center Point install an electrical meter in the future. The tenant would also be required to furnish the City and the Health Dept. with their menu.

Mr. Fansher advised the committee that the other prospective tenants, Debra and Alex Molina, had withdrawn interest in leasing Antonelli's Root Beer Stand.

Mingo Marquez made the suggestion that maybe the committee members and prospective tenant should educate the council on the history of the lease fee for the property.

Margaret McMahan brought up the question of whether or not the council would require the committee to advertise for prospective tenants. Mr. Fansher stated that since it was a arrangement that he did not feel it was a requirement but that he would verify with the City Attorney that the city did not have to seek/advertise for tenants.

It was discussed and agreed that the Parks Board Committee members could educate Council members about the proposal. It was also agreed that Dan Tarver would speak on behalf of the council to support the proposal.

Ms. McMahan made a motion to accept Tina Robledo's lease proposal and recommend it to the city council for consideration. Joan Field seconded the motion. The committee all voted in favor of the motion.

Mingo Marquez offered to help Tina prepare the proposal for Council.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.