

RESOLUTION NO. 08-2018-02

BELLE ISLE PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BIPAC)

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE “DETROIT GRAND PRIX PROPOSAL”

ADOPTED: August 2, 2018

WHEREAS, the Belle Isle Park Advisory Committee (BIPAC) in accordance with the bylaws of the committee, by unanimous consent, BIPAC decided that in regard to the Detroit Grand Prix’s proposal to renew their contract to continue their race on Belle Isle, that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Parks and Recreation Division (PRD), assume a strong leadership position by incorporating the following considerations into a final operating agreement governing the continuation of the Detroit Grand Prix for three years, with the potential for two additional one-year extensions; and

WHEREAS, the planning process included multiple stakeholder, constituent, and public input; and

WHEREAS, the following is considered;

1. Provide for all contributions in writing, including but not limited to capital and programming dollars, fees, maintenance, management of assets such as the James Scott Memorial Fountain, and minimum fundraising expectations for the Grand Prixmiere.
2. Ensure the total value of the agreement exceeds the previous contract period.
3. Implement best practice quality governance mechanisms, with a focus on oversight, monitoring, evaluation, enforcement, accountability, penalties, etc.
4. Value engineer the campus to ensure minimal impacts on the day to day park user by finding sensible solutions that eliminate or minimize negative impacts such as the sequencing of barrier installation, advertising, load in/out timing, overall public access, Memorial Day access, permanent footprint, off site storage, etc.
5. Pursue holistic and comprehensive strategies that result in win-win, high impact outcomes, such as improvements to the Newsboys shelter, permanent wireless infrastructure, capital campaign related strategies, Mogo bike share station installation, completion of daffodil project, Iron Belle Trail assets, Oudolf Garden Detroit considerations, etc.
6. Proceed with a park user focus that values good communication, engagement, access, and other accommodations that minimize negative impacts.
7. Simultaneously initiate a process designed to identify replacement sources of funding.

WHEREAS, the Detroit Grand Prix has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Parks and Recreation Division and the Belle Isle Advisory Committee.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Belle Isle Park Advisory Committee shall support the Michigan Department of Natural Resources approval of continuation of the Detroit Grand Prix race being held on Belle Isle should the considerations be included in the final version of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources counter to the Detroit Grand Prix’s race proposal; and

Submitted by: Michele Hodges, Chair, Belle Isle Advisory Committee

Motioned by: Committee member, Rev. Lonnie Peek
Seconded by: Committee member, Michael Curis

Yeas: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 3

This Resolution was adopted by the Belle Isle Park Advisory Committee at their regular meeting on August 2, 2018 as Resolution No. 08-2018-02