



AGENDA MEMO
7/16/2013 Agenda

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Gerry Bradley, Director of Parks
SUBJECT: 2013 North Texas Lifeguard Games

BACKGROUND:

On June 28-29, 2013, two teams from our University Park's Holmes Aquatic Center competed in the 16th annual North Texas Lifeguard Games. This is the second year our lifeguards have participated in this event.

Twenty-eight Lifeguard and Jr. Guard teams from North Texas, South Texas, and Oklahoma met in Terrell, TX for a competition that tests a lifeguard's ability to recognize and treat potential water related injuries such as spinals, CPR/AED, and active and passive drowning events.

We are proud to recognize our Aquatic Supervisor, Erin Ward, for her part in having our lifeguards ready and trained to serve our community by providing weekly lifeguard in-service training. Erin has also served on this year's Guard Games Committee and was an active participant on making this competition possible. At this year's event, University Park lifeguards Michael Machak, Morgan Kemendo, Carlos Girod, and Olivia Donoghue placed first in the First Aid and Safety Event, while other team consisting of members Brett Williams, Crayton McIntosh, Madisyn and Aubree Miller placed fourth in the Spinal Event.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff would like City Council to recognize our lifeguard team for their ability to meet the requirements necessary to provide a safe and enjoyable experience for all pool patrons and congratulate them for all their efforts.