

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Wednesday, March 6, 2019

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the Regular Meeting at Saint Andrews Recreation Center at 9:37 a.m. Present were President Sylvia Patsouras, Vice-President Lynn Alvarez, Commissioner Pilar Diaz, and Commissioner Joseph Halper. Also present were Michael A. Shull, General Manager, Anthony-Paul Diaz, Executive Officer and Chief of Staff, Deputy City Attorney IV Mike Dundas, and Deputy City Attorney III Steven Hong.

The following Department staff members were present:

Vicki Israel, Assistant General Manager, Recreation Services
Ramon Barajas, Assistant General Manager, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch
Sophia Piña-Cortez, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations
Matthew Rudnick, Chief management Analyst

CALL TO ORDER

Randy Kelly, Superintendent, Pacific Region, introduced the Saint Andrews Recreation Center staff and provided background information about the facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Diaz moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2019; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Alvarez. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no comments from Neighborhood Council Representatives relative to the Agenda Items being considered.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments on matters within the Board's jurisdiction were invited; four public comments were submitted.

BOARD REPORTS

19-044 Allocation of Funds for the Performance of a Griffith Park
Aerial Transit Feasibility Study and for the Cabrillo Beach
Aquarium Project

Matthew Rudnick, Chief management Analyst, presented Board Report No. 19-044.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

The Board decided to consider Report No. 19-045 separately, and was tabled.

Commissioner Nicole Chase arrived at the Board Meeting at 9:59 a.m.

19-045 Youth Sports Program Volunteers - Memorandum of Agreement with Coaching Corps to Train and Provide Volunteer Coaches to be Placed at Various Park Sites

19-046 Venice Beach – Agreement with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation and ThermoLife International, LLC for the Refurbishment of the Muscle Beach Venice Weight Pen through funding provided by ThermoLife International, LLC., and Acceptance of Such Improvements as a Gift to the City of Los Angeles; Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) [Outdoor Lighting and Fencing], Class 1(13) [Internal Modifications within the larger environment of Parks or Recreation Centers], Class 11(1) [On-Premises Signs] of City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines

Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst, presented Board Report No 19-046.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED WITH AMENDMENTS AS STATED BELOW:

provided the proposed Agreement be modified to reflect that the form of final recognition signage be subject to approval by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners;

19-047 Griffith Park – Approve Award and Authorize Execution of Agreement for the Redevelopment, Operation and Maintenance of the Food and Beverage Concession at Griffith Park Golf Complex – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Class 1(1) [Interior and Exterior Alterations Involving Remodeling or Minor Construction where there will be Negligible or No Expansion of Use] and Class 1(14) [Issuance of Lease to Use Existing Structures Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Use] of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article 19, Section 15331 of California State CEQA Guidelines [Historical Resources Maintenance]

Matthew Rudnick, Chief Management Analyst and Laura Bauernfeind, Golf Manager, presented Board Report No. 19-047.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-048 Rancho Park Golf Course – Approve and Authorize Execution of Negotiated Agreement for the

Redevelopment, Operation and Maintenance of the Food and Beverage Concession at Rancho Park Golf Course – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Class 1(1) [Interior and Exterior Alterations Involving Remodeling or Minor Construction where there be Negligible or No Expansion of Use] And Class 1(14) [Issuance of Lease to Use Existing Structures Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Use] of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article 19, Section 15331 of California State CEQA Guidelines [Historical Resources Rehabilitation] lines

Matthew Rudnick, Chief Management Analyst and Laura Bauernfeind, Golf Manager, presented Board Report No. 19-048.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments relevant to the Board Reports were invited; seven speaker cards were submitted.

CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS

President Patsouras requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports as presented, except for Board Report No. 19-045 which was considered separately, and 19-046 which had amendments. It was moved by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Halper to approve the Board Reports as noted above. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst, presented Board Report No 19-045.

19-045 Youth Sports Program Volunteers - Memorandum of Agreement with Coaching Corps to Train and Provide Volunteer Coaches to be Placed at Various Park Sites

Commissioner Halper recused himself from this item. Public comments relevant to this Board Report were invited, none were submitted. It was moved by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Chase. There being no objections, the Motion was approved unanimously.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED:

Commissioner Halper rejoined the Meeting and was available to consider the following Report:

PARK FEE BOARD REPORTS

19-049 Parcel Map No. 2018-7264 – Recommendation to the Advisory Agency for Land Dedication or In-Lieu Park Fee Payment

Darryl Ford, Senior Management Analyst II, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 19-049.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE ADVISORY AGENCY TO REQUIRE PARCEL MAP 2018-7264 (PROJECT) TO DEDICATE LAND TO THE CITY, OR PROVIDE A COMBINATION OF LAND DEDICATION AND FEE PAYMENT TO THE CITY, IN ORDER TO FULFILL THE PROJECT'S REQUIREMENTS UNDER PROVISIONS OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 12.33

PARK FEE BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments relevant to the Park Fee Board Report were invited, none were submitted. It was moved by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Halper. There being no objections, the Motion was approved unanimously

COMMISSION TASK FORCE UPDATES

Commission Task Force on Concessions Report (Commissioners Diaz)

Commissioner Diaz reported that the Task Force on Concessions did not meet and no update was presented.

Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance (Commissioners Alvarez and Halper)

Commissioner Alvarez reported that the Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance met and discussed the First and Broadway Park.

President Patsouras formally introduced and welcomed Nicole Chase onto the Board. Ms. Chase made a brief announcement highlighting her years of service and familiarity with several areas of the City and stated her joy and appreciation of being named to the Board.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND VERBAL STAFF UPDATES

Michael A. Shull, General Manager, announced to the Board that RAP has participated in preliminary budget hearings with the Mayor's Office and CAO, and that a large focus was placed on youth sports as well as sports participation in underserved communities. He will continue to update the Board as the budget season progresses. Mr. Shull also announced that further information regarding Measure A funding for RAP would be forthcoming at the next RAP Commission Retreat.

Matthew Rudnick, Chief Management Analyst provided an informational report on RAP Tennis Lessons, Programs, and Infrastructure. Mr. Rudnick provided a brief history of tennis programs in the City, highlighting some of the long-standing tennis tournaments hosted by RAP and some of the famous participants that have gone on to reach greater accolades. Mr. Rudnick also discussed the large number of courts RAP manages, 300 in 70 parks, and the need to update the infrastructure to attract more players. He then described the TennisUP (Universal Play) initiative to offer tennis instruction and guidance for \$10 per 8-week session in order to reach more participants that otherwise may not be able to learn the game of tennis. Mr. Rudnick also

pointed out RAP's efforts to seek new funding to expand the TennisUP program, as well as sponsorships to further build tennis infrastructure. He also announced that RAP is looking to create a Municipal Tennis Advisory Committee (MTAC) to assist, provide guidance, and feedback similar to the existing Golf Advisory Committees (GAC).

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Commissioner Alvarez requested an update on maintenance repairs at Saint Andrews Recreation Center.

NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, 9:30 a.m., at the Bellevue Recreation Center at 826 Lucile Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90026.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Patsouras requested a Motion to Adjourn. It was moved by Commissioner Halper, seconded by Commissioner Chase and the Meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY