# SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

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

#### Wednesday, May 15, 2019

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the Special Meeting at the Jim Gilliam Recreation Center at 10:20 a.m. Present were Vice-President Lynn Alvarez, Commissioner Nicole Chase, and Commissioner Pilar Diaz. Also present were Michael A. Shull, General Manager, Anthony-Paul Diaz, Executive Officer and Chief of Staff, and Deputy City Attorney III Steven Hong.

The following Department staff members were present:

Vicki Israel, Assistant General Manager, Recreational Services Sophia Piña-Cortez, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations Cathie Santo Domingo, Acting Assistant General Manager, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Noel Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Branch

## **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD**

A) Proposed Changes to Various Sections of the Department of Recreation and Parks' Schedule of Rates and Fees

Vicki Israel, Assistant General Manager, Recreational Services, provided background information on the need to update this Schedule of Rates and Fees, highlighting the rising costs of personnel and maintenance associated with providing facilities and services for public and private events at RAP facilities. Chuck Singer, Superintendent, Valley/Shoreline Region, Michael Harrison, Principal Recreation Supervisor II, and Rob De Hart, Principal Recreation Supervisor, provided further background on the current Schedule of Rates and Fees being presented to the Board. Mr. Harrison spoke on the fine-tuning that took place after presenting before the Facilities Repair and Maintenance Task Force, on two occasions, to reach a Schedule that was equitable to RAP needs and public convenience.

B) Aquatics Division – Proposed Changes to Citywide Aquatics Schedule of Rates and Fees

Jimmy Kim, Superintendent, Citywide Aquatics Division, discussed the updated Schedule of Rates and Fees for RAP operated aquatic facilities in the City. Mr. Kim described the research and comparable analysis that took place in order to achieve this proposed Schedule. He referenced the rates in neighboring municipilaties and showed that the City will still have very affordable fees while helping to offset some of the expenses required to operate aquatics services for users of all abilities.

B) Potrero Canyon Park – Grading Project Change Order Briefing

Cathie Santo Domingo, Acting Assistant General Manager, Planning, Maintenance and Construction, reported a brief update on the status of this project then called on Pedro Garcia, Project Manager, to illustrate the need for future Board action on this project. Mr.

Garcia expanded on the native conditions and needs to address concerns to ensure this project is completed to its Board approved specifications.

#### INFORMATIONAL REPORTS PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments relevant to the Informational Reports were invited; no such speaker cards were submitted.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice-President Alvarez adjourned the Special Meeting at 10:49 a.m.

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