

GRIFFITH PARK ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES FEBRUARY 28,2019

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Ron Deutsch, Laura Howe, Chip Clements, Sheila Irani ,Lucinda Phillips- PRESENT
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
3. SPECIAL GUESTS- Chief Joe Losorelli, new Chief of the L.A Department of Recreation and Parks Ranger Division.

Catherine Landers, CD4,- Council Motions 14-1191-S1 and 19-0126 regarding feasibility of use of parking lots across from Friendship Auditorium for short term Bridge Housing and long term Adult Community Center. More about Bridge Project at next month's meeting.

4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Greg R. from Lake Hollywood Estates, unsafe conditions of Wonderview Trail, the popularity of this trail needs immediate action. Relocated trail to north side of park near Forest Lawn.

5. MATTERS UNDER BOARD CONSIDERATION:

- RAP hiring 4 new employees to focus solely on trail restoration and trail maintenance. Superintendent asks for a motion/ community assistance via ad hoc to identify trails in need. Emmy G, Gerry H. and PAB will participate and Chip will head committee. Motion carries.
- Sheila presentation on parking reservation system for Lake Hollywood Park along with need for Preferential Parking and enforcement. Four community members speak and mention unsafe conditions and nothing being done to curb the volume of vehicles coming up the hill. For a study of parking reservation system Sheila would like a GPAB letter of support. Motion carries.
- Innsdale Gate proposal, Sheila - chain link fence to secure trail at night. Asking GPAB for support for this. Board recommends tabling until next month's meeting. Joe will ask Chief Losorelli for crime report of this area.

6. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS:

- Lake Hollywood Park Irrigation and planting of vista view sites. Moving forward with planting and irrigation. Fencing has been removed until further outreach with community is completed. Temporary fencing will be installed to protect new plants.
- Restrooms- Pote Field still incomplete but pony/train restrooms are now open. Stage for the Old Zoo to begin construction is spring/ summer 2020.Hold up is DWP power lines.
- Observatory improvements project- Building closed April 22-May 6, 2019 for construction.

- Playgrounds- Shane's Inspiration opening March 28, 2019, playground at Vermont is in construction .Completion projected prior to April 13.
 - Aerial Transit System- One company has been selected to determine feasibility of an aerial transit system .This is only a feasibility study, there is no agreement to install or move any farther with this until thorough review of findings. Community will be part of this study.
 - PARKLINE- presentation will be scheduled for next month's meeting.
 - RODENTICIDE- Ron asking for a compliance letter on repercussions for not adhering to Departments request on appropriate pest control management in Griffith. Suggests agreement and commitment from Concessions Division that contract not be renewed if compliance is not adhered to. Asking for a schedule of inspections of concessions. Joe will come back with that at next month's meeting.
 - Recycling- RAP was not awarded grant and will take next steps to begin a pilot program in the park.
 - Ad-hoc filming-Laura is asking for letter of support for next month's meeting to ask for the Mayor's Office, Film LA, Kevin James, Councilman Ryu, RAP Board of Commissioners for better protections for the park from film companies.
 - Fern Dell Bridge-Gerry, Friends of Griffith Park ,permit for the pedestrian bridge is now completed and RAP is able to move forward on scheduling work on this project.
 - New GPAB members in attendance- looking to add more members to the GPAB
7. BOARD BUSINESS-none
 8. NEXT MEETING- Thursday, March 28,2019 at 6:30pm at the Griffith Park Visitor Center Auditorium,4730 Crystal Springs Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90027
 9. ADJOURNMENT-8:19PM