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

February 2, 2005

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened in regular session at the Garland Building Auditorium at 9:35 a.m. Present were President Mike Roos, Vice-President Christina Sanchez-Camino, Commissioners Christopher Hammond, Mary Luévano, and Candy Spelling. Also present were Jim Combs, Assistant General Manager and Senior Assistant City Attorney Mark Brown.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of January 19, 2005 were approved as submitted.

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORTS

05-29
CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM - MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION (#1505D); SEPULEDEGA GARDEN CENTER - BUILDING REPLACEMENT (#1632B) (W.O.#E170220) - ACCEPTANCE OF STOP NOTICES ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS; AND NORTH HOLLYWOOD PARK REFURBISHMENT (#1348B) - RELEASE OF STOP NOTICE ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

05-30
CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM - MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION (#1505D) (W.O.#E170194F) CONTRACT NO. 3062 - FINAL ACCEPTANCE

05-31
DELANO RECREATION CENTER - COMMUNITY BUILDING (#1805A) (W.O.#E170373F) - CHANGE ORDER TO CONTRACT NO. 3085

05-32
TAYLOR YARD PARK - GROUND LEASE BETWEEN CITY AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR DEPARTMENT USE OF APPROXIMATELY 20 ACRES OF STATE LAND

05-33 - Considered later in the meeting.

05-34 - Considered later in the meeting.

05-35
BANDINI CANYON - AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE FOR DESIGN OF THE TRAIL PROJECT

05-36
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND CAROLYN fish FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE CLEAN AND SAFE SPACES PARKS PROGRAM TO ASSESS AND DOCUMENT ASSETS IN COMMUNITIES

05-37
GREEN MEADOWS PARK - TEN YEAR GROUND LEASE WITH FOUNDATION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TO OPERATE HEAD START FACILITY
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05-38
AMENDMENT TO LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH BILL MURPHY FOR PRODUCTION MANAGER SERVICES ON THE NEW GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY PLANETARIUM SHOW

05-39
QUIZBY FEES APPROPRIATION: HANSEN DAM THE BLUFFS (#1130A) (CONTRACT NO. 3129)

05-40 - Considered later in the meeting.

05-41
PROVISION OF LIVE SCAN SERVICE TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS

05-42
ACCEPTANCE OF VARIOUS DONATIONS TO OPERATIONS WEST BRANCH

05-43
VARIOUS COMMUNICATIONS

It was moved by Vice Commissioner Luévano, seconded by Commissioner Spelling, that the foregoing reports, with exceptions as noted, be approved, and that the appropriate Resolutions be adopted. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

05-33 - Out of Order.
ENCINO - BALBOA GOLF COURSE (SEPULVEDA GOLF COMPLEX) - AWARD OF THE OPERATION OF THE FOOD SERVICE CONCESSION

Mr. Ken Oberg, representing Sepulveda Men's Golf Club, spoke in support of the report and requested an immediately resolution.

President Roos referred the item to the Concessions Task Force for discussion at the next meeting.

05-34 - Out of Order.
ENCINO - BALBOA GOLF COURSE (SEPULVEDA GOLF COMPLEX) - AWARD OF THE OPERATION OF THE GOLF PROFESSIONAL AND DRIVING RANGE CONCESSION

Ms. Lory Oberg, representing the Sepulveda Women's Golf Club, spoke in support of the report and requested an immediate resolution.

Ms. Roz Taub, representing the Sepulveda Women's Golf Club, spoke in support of the report and requested an immediate resolution.

Mr. John Allen, resident and attorney, referenced letters prepared to the General Manager, Department of Recreation and Parks, and a response from same, regarding an embarrassing incident with the current operator of the Encino Balboa Golf Course Golf Professional and Driving Range Concession, Mr. Michael Bernbeck, copies of which are on file in the Board Office.

President Roos informed the speaker and the public that the responsibility and decision before the Board was the terms of making the facility the best facility it could possibly be and to decide who would
be the carrier of such quality service to the public. Furthermore, the
President expressed his apologies for any inconvenience imposed upon the
speaker and his family while attempting to enjoy the facility.

President Roos referred the item to the Concessions Task Force for
discussion at the next meeting.

05-40 - Out of Order.
MCGROARTY ARTS CENTER: PERMANENT PLACEMENT
OF SCULPTURES IN SCULPTURE GARDEN

Ms. Robin Meares, representing McGroarty Arts Center, spoke in support
of the report.

It was moved by Commissioner Sanchez-Camino, seconded by Commissioner
Spelling that Report No. 05-40 be approved. There being no objections,
the Motion was unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

05-28
JENSEN FILTRATION PLANT: SIX YEAR LEASE
AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT WITH THE METROPOLITAN
WATER DISTRICT AND SUB-LEASE / LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH THE GRANADA HILLS YOUTH RECREATION CENTER,
INC., FOR YOUTH SPORTS ACTIVITIES

The Sr. Assistant City Attorney reported that the City Attorney’s Office
had transmitted their opinion to the Commission Office directing that the
matter be transferred to the Board of Referred Powers based on the
involvement of one of the Commissioners who was one of the parties to the
contract. Under those circumstances, because it involved a State Law
disqualification, the Commission was also disqualified, therefore, the
matter was referred to the Board of Referred Powers.

NEW BUSINESS

MEMORANDUM
DELANO RECREATION CENTER COMMUNITY BUILDING
(#1805A) CONTRACT NO. 3085 - CORRECTION TO
PREVIOUS BOARD REPORT REGARDING ACCEPTANCE
OF STOP NOTICE

Item Received.

COMMISSION TASK FORCES

Commission Task Force on Park Safety (Commissioners Hammond and Sanchez-
Camino)

Commissioner Hammond reported that he was briefed by the Department of
General Services and Recreation and Parks staff that the consolidation
with the Park Rangers going to General Services would occur within the
next 30 days, at which time the Memorandum of Agreement would be
presented to the Board for a vote. He further reported on outstanding
issues to be resolved prior to the consolidation, such as regional parks
and quality of life services.
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Commission Task Force on Concession RFPs (Commissioner Sanchez-Camino and Spelling)

Commissioner Sanchez-Camino reported that the Task Force would be working diligently on the Encino-Balboa Golf Course items that were held and she also reported that a recommendation regarding the Griffith Observatory Café would be presented to the Board at its next meeting.

Commission Task Force on Capital Projects (Commissioners Hammond and Luévano)

Commissioner Hammond reported that he had been in discussions with staff on how to move forward with the Task Force and would advise the Board at a later date.

GENERAL MANAGER’S ORAL REPORT

Jim Combs, Assistant General Manager reported on the following:

• Storm Damage at various facilities which estimated $18 million and could affect various Department programs
• Timber harvested as a result of fallen trees was used in a mulching process at Griffith Park
• Penmar Recreation Center Investigation - Department staff continued to work with LAPD and also monitor and enforce management oversight of other facilities
• George Stigile, Assistant General Manager, retirement after 33 years of City service
• Appointments of Kevin Regan, Acting Assistant General Manager, Operations East; James Ward, Acting Superintendent, Valley Region; and, Robert Jensen, Executive Officer

At 9:58 a.m. the Regular Agenda was closed to proceed to the Special Agenda.

At 10:25 a.m. the Regular Agenda was reopened.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Sallie W. Neubauer, representing Citizens Committee to Save Elysian Park, reported on serious water damage to a bend in a highly used fire trail at the Eastern end of Elysian Park and requested high priority assistance in the repair of the trail.

Mr. Combs advised the Board that the item would be addressed.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners to be held on Wednesday, February 16, 2005 at 9:30 a.m., Garland Building Auditorium, 1200 W. 7th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to California Government Code §54956.9(a) the Board recessed into closed session to discuss with, and receive advice from legal counsel, concerning Bellevue Park Neighborhood Association v. City of Los Angeles, BS 093045.
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President Roos reported that on the matter of Bellevue Park Neighborhood Association v. City of Los Angeles, BS 093045, there was no reportable action from the Closed Session.

In response to an inquiry at the last meeting from Commissioner Hammond, Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, updated the Board on the status of the trails in Griffith Park stating that staff was currently clearing the trails and anticipated grading the trails in a few weeks upon further coordination with the Bureau of Engineering.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

ATTEST

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