

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the Regular Meeting at Valley Plaza Recreation Center at 9:40 a.m. Present were President Sylvia Patsouras, Vice-President Lynn Alvarez, Commissioner Pilar Diaz, and Commissioner Joseph Halper. Also present were 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, Finance Division

CALL TO ORDER

Lorraine Diaz, District Representative for Councilmember Paul Krekorian, made opening remarks and welcomed the Board Commissioners and audience to the Second Council District.

Charles Singer, Superintendent, Valley Region, introduced the Valley Plaza Recreation Center staff and provided background information about the facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Halper moved to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2018, the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2019 and the Special Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2019; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Diaz. 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

19-023 Westwood Recreation Complex – Donation from Friends of West Los Angeles in support of The 2019 Annual Dream Games

Michael Harrison, Principal Recreation Supervisor II, Valley/Shoreline Region, presented Board

Report No. 19-023.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-024 Various Donations to Recreation Services Branch – Metro, Pacific and Valley Regions, July 2018 through December 2018

Vicki Israel, Assistant General Manager, Recreational Services, presented Board Report No. 19-024.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-025 Girls Play LA Program and Women Officials Recruitment and Certification (WORC) Program Support – Agreement with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation and Nike USA, Inc. (Nike) for the implementation of a volunteer female coach development and recruitment initiative through funding provided by Nike to increase the number of female coaches available to coach girls and increase the participation of girls in youth sports and the provision of additional funding to support the expansion of the WORC Program

Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst II, Partnerships, Finance Branch, presented Board Report No. 19-025.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-026 Security Camera Systems Maintenance, Repair, Retrofit, and Related Professional Services – Request for Bids

Jimmy Newsom, Senior Management Analyst II, Finance Branch, presented Board Report No. 19-026.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATION, THE ADDITION OF RECOMMENDATION NO. 4 TO READ:

“Authorize RAP's General Manager or Designee to make technical corrections consistent with the Board's intent in approving this Report.

19-027 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]

The Board decided to consider this report separately.

19-028 Lincoln Park Recreation Center – Pool and Bathhouse Replacement Project (PRJ1504P) (W.O #E1907715) – Acceptance of Stop Payment Notice and Release of Stop Payment Notice on Construction Contract No. 3555 for G2K Construction, Inc.

Sean Phan, Civil Engineer, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 19-028.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-029 Griffith Park – Girls Camp Renovation (PRJ21197) Project – Allocation of Quimby Fees; Categorical Exemption from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) [Exterior and Interior Alterations of Existing Public Structure with Negligible or No Expansion of Use] and Class 1(3) [Minor Alterations of Existing pedestrian trails and driveways] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(a) and 15301(c) of California State CEQA Guidelines

DISPOSITION: WITHDRAWN

19-030 Griffith Park – Boys Camp Renovation (PRJ21196) Project – Allocation of Quimby Fees; Categorical Exemption from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) [Exterior and Interior Alterations of an existing facility with Negligible or No Expansion of Use] and Class 1(3) [Minor Alterations of Existing pedestrian trails and driveways] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(a) and 15301(c) Of California State CEQA Guidelines

Wendy Cervantes, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 19-030.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-031 Griffith Park – Vermont Canyon Outdoor Improvements (PRJ21230) Project – Commitment of Park Fees; Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3) [Minor Alterations of Existing pedestrian trails] and

Class 3(6) [Installation of Accessory Structures] of the City
CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(c) And
15303(e) of California State CEQA Guidelines

Meghan Luera, Management Analyst, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch
presented Board Report No. 19-031.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

19-032 Amendments to the Rules of the Board of Recreation and
Park Commissioners

DISPOSITION: WITHDRAWN

BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT

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

CONSIDERATION OF BOARD REPORT NO. 19-027

The Board decided to consider Board Report No. 19-027 separately.

19-027 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]

Commissioner Patsouras requested a Motion to withdraw the Board Report. It was moved by
Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Alvarez to withdraw the Board Report. There
being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

DISPOSITION: WITHDRAWN

CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS

President Patsouras requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports as presented, except
for Board Report No. 19-026 which had modifications as noted previously, and Board Report
Nos. 19-027, 19-029, and 19-032 which were withdrawn. It was moved by Commissioner
Halper, seconded by Commissioner Diaz to approve the Board Reports as noted above. There
being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

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, among other topics, the Lemon Grove Recreation Center – Mural Concept Approval and the Porter Ranch Sesnon Property – Naming of Park as “Bloom Park.”

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT AND VERBAL STAFF UPDATES

Anthony-Paul Diaz, Executive Officer and Chief of Staff, introduced Joe Losorelli, RAP’s new Chief Park Ranger. Mr. Losorelli addressed the Board and provided insight into his background as well how he sees his role in RAP’s vision for the Park Ranger program. Mr. Diaz also provided the following highlights and updates to the Board.

- First solar charging station has been installed at Gladys Park. Programing and activities at Gladys Park and San Julian Park are making a tremendous difference in the surrounding community and with the displaced populations that are served.
- **Saturday, February 9, 2019** (1:00pm) 14th Annual Tea & Tunes Luncheon will be held at the Banning Museum’s beautiful Stagecoach Barn in honor of Valentine’s Day. The event will include an assortment of specially selected teas, an elegant light luncheon, live music, complimentary tours of the Museum, and a special exhibit of vintage Victorian fans in the Visitor Center. The Banning Museum is located at 401 East M Street, Wilmington 90744 (CD15, Friends of Banning Museum).
- **Saturday, February 9, 2019** (11:00am) North Hills Community Park will celebrate the opening of their new multi-purpose field with a soccer clinic conducted by California State University, Northridge’s Women’s Soccer Team. North Hills is located at 8756 N. Parthenia Street, North Hills, CA 91343 (CD6).
- **Saturday, February 9, 2019** (9am-5pm) CLASS Parks 2nd Annual Teen Summit will be held at the EXPO Center. The theme for the Teen Summit is “Own Your Tomorrow”. Events will include workshops for goal-setting, self-empowerment, decision-making, teen awards and much more. This year’s keynote speaker is Christine Simmons, Chief Operations Officer, Academy of Motion Picture Art and Science. EXPO Center is located at 3980 Bill Robertson Lane, Los Angeles 90037 (CD9).
- **Monday, February 11, 2019** (3:30pm) Chevy Chase Recreation Center Groundbreaking Ceremony will celebrate the construction of an 8,000 square feet Skate Park with unique and transitional skate elements. The project will include additional park improvements such as nine new irrigation heads, accessible paths from the recreation center to the skatepark, planting of trees, and security lighting

around the perimeter of the park. Chevy Chase Park is located at 4165 Chevy Chase Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90039 (CD13).

COMMISSION BUSINESS

President Patsouras requested that future agendas provide updates on pending requests by Commissioners for reports. Commissioner Diaz requested RAP develop a mechanism to thank donors and volunteers for their time, effort, and in-kind donations that help to further RAP's mission.


NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at Harbor City Recreation Center, 24901 Frampton Ave., Harbor City, CA 90710.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Patsouras requested a Motion to Adjourn. It was moved by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Halper and the Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY