

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Thursday, October 5, 2023

The Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the Regular Meeting at 9:03 a.m. Present were, President Renata Simril, Vice President Luis Sanchez, Commissioner Marie Lloyd, Commissioner Fiona Hutton and Commissioner Benny Tran. Also present were Jimmy Kim, General Manager, Matthew Rudnick, Executive Officer, Deputy City Attorney IV Steven Hong and Deputy City Attorney III Brendan Kearns.

The following Department staff members were also present:

Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, Maintenance, and Construction Branch
Belinda Jackson, Assistant General Manager t, Recreation Services Branch
Brenda Aguirre, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations Branch
John Busby, Sr. Management Analyst, Finance Administration Branch

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Simril called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2023. Commissioner Tran made such motion, and it was seconded by President Simril. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 4-0.

GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Jimmy Kim, General Manager, began his update by having Superintendent of the Metro Region Anita Meacham provide a brief background on the Pan Pacific Recreation Center. He reminded the public that all of our special events can be found at laparks.org.

Mr. Kim mentioned that through our chief Sustainability officer, Mariana Valdevia, our department is teaming up with the Los Angeles, public Libraries Neighborhood Science Initiative.. The Department is also teaming with LA Sanitation, Environmental Biodiversity Program and the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County to participate in this month's LA. BioBlitz challenge. This challenge began October first, and will run through October 31st. Mr. Kim stated as we all know, Los Angeles is located in a global diversity biodiversity hotspot and has an incredible array of native animals, plants, and ecosystem to explore. The LA BioBlitz challenge is a way to help protect and support wildlife in Los Angeles.

Mr. Kim mentioned some of the various communications from constituents who visited us at the last meeting.. I wanted to mention that staff have reached out to provide information related to the Sepulveda Basin master Plan, which includes any future plans for the Ranger station and aquatic center around that area. RAP is putting a lot of effort and priority trying to address the issues at Dearborn Park. But I did want to mention that Dearborn Park is really more of a law enforcement priority right now. And we're working with LAPD to address those issues. We understand that there's a call for more rangers, but I just wanted to clarify that our Park Rangers are truly regional deployment. So, when we take them away from our regional parks, and they deploy into the local parks. It does take resources from those regional parks. We are trying our best to respond. But the priority responders are our partners over at LAPD. So, we're working with them on strategies on enforcement as well as potentially providing park activity monitors at that location.

Darryl Ford, Superintendent of the Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch provided a brief update on Quimby and Park Fees.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments on matters within the Board's jurisdiction were invited, 4 such requests were submitted.

BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS

Public comments relevant to the Board Reports were requested; no such request was submitted.

BOARD REPORTS

23-174 Approval of the Department of Recreation and Parks Revised FY 2023-24 Project Plan and Second Amendment to Youth Sport Partnership Agreement for Funding Between the City of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games 2028 for the City's Youth & Adaptive Sports Program

Veronica Polanco, Sr. Project Coordinator, and Grace Duncan, Chief Management Analyst, Special Operations Branch presented Board Report No. 23-174.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

23-175 Clean and Safe Spaces (Class) Parks Youth Employment Internship – Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act After-School Enrichment and Supervision Program for Fiscal Year 2023-2024; Acceptance of Grant Funds

Anita Meacham, Superintendent, Recreation Services Branch presented Board Report No. 23-175.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

23-176 Agreement with Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC) to Provide Public Service Work for Proposition 68 Funded Projects

Kai Wong, Sr. Project Coordinator, Grants Administration Branch presented Board Report No. 23-176

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

23-177 As-Needed Personal Service Contract with Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. for Routine and Emergency Response Hazardous Waste Management Services

John Busby, Sr. Management Analyst, Planning, Contract Administration Branch presented Board Report No. 23-177.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

23-178 Pan Pacific Park – Basketball Courts Improvements (PRJ21732) Project – Allocation of Quimby Fees – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(D) [Restoration or Rehabilitation of Deteriorated or Damaged Structures, Facilities, or Mechanical Equipment to Meet Current Standards of Public Health and Safety] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Class 1(4) of City CEQA Guidelines

David Lee, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance & Construction Branch presented Board Report No. 23-178

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

23-179 Jim Gilliam Recreation Center – Fence Installation (PRJ21725) Project – Commitment of Park Fees – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15303(E) [Accessory (Appurtenant) Structures Including Garages, Carports, Patios, Swimming Pools, and Fences] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 11(3) of City CEQA Guidelines

Robert Eastland, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance & Construction Branch presented Board Report No. 23-179.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

23-180 Verdugo Hill Pool and Bathhouse Refurbishment (PRJ20598) (PRJ21733) (W.O. #E170164f) Project – Review of Bid and Award of Contract – Commitment of Park Fees – Allocation of Quimby Fees

Cammie Neo, Civil Engineering Associate, Planning, Maintenance & Construction Branch presented Board Report No. 23-180.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

President Simril requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports that were presented. It was moved by Commissioner Tran and seconded by Vice President Sanchez that the Board Reports be approved as presented. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENTS

Discussion with Neighborhood Council Representatives on Neighborhood Council Resolutions or Community Impact Statements Filed with the City Clerk Relative to Any Item Listed or Being Considered on this Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners Meeting Agenda (Los Angeles Administrative Code 22.819; Ordinance 184243)

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

COMMISSION TASK FORCE UPDATES

Commission Task Force on Concessions

This Task Force did not meet.

Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance

This Task Force did not meet.

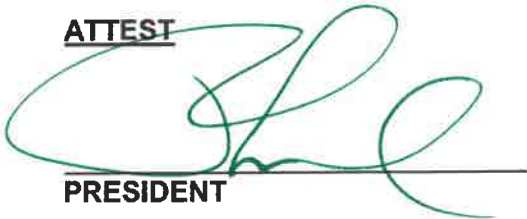
COMMISSION BUSINESS

Comments from the Commissioners on Matters within the Board's jurisdiction and Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items were requested. There were no items requested at this meeting. Commissioner Hutton requested a document that reflects the different terms of concession contracts.


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY