

M I N U T E S

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

May 3, 2006

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened in regular session at the Garland Building Auditorium at 9:40 a.m. Present were President Christina Sanchez-Camino, Vice-President Mary Luévano, Commissioners Maria A. Casillas and Johnathan Williams. Absent: Commissioner Candy Spelling. Also present were Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, and Senior Assistant City Attorney Mark Brown.

President Sanchez-Camino introduced and welcomed Commissioner Johnathan Williams as the newest member to the Board.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - Considered later in the meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

06-102 - Considered later in the meeting.

06-103 - Considered later in the meeting.

06-104

HANSEN DAM UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND AND RESTROOM (W.O. #PRJ1246A) - CHANGE ORDER TO CONTRACT NO. 3163

06-105

PAN PACIFIC SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER (FORMERLY KNOWN AS WEST WILSHIRE SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER) - BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS (W.O. #PRJ1731C) - CHANGE ORDER TO CONTRACT NO. 3157

06-106

GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY - RENOVATION AND EXPANSION (#1504C) (W.O. #E170210F) - ACCEPTANCE OF STOP NOTICE ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

06-107

NORTHRIDGE PARK - POOL AND BATHHOUSE (W.O. #E170600F) - CONTRACT NO. 3171 - ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR SECURITY DEPOSITS IN LIEU OF RETENTION

06-108

EVERGREEN RECREATION CENTER - CHILDCARE CENTER (W.O. #E170354F) - REVIEW OF BIDS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT

06-109

ASCOT HILLS PARK PROJECT - PHASE ONE (#1235A) (W.O. #E1905987) - APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS, AND THE BUREAU OF ENGINEERING

06-110 - Considered later in the meeting.

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06-111

BRUSH CLEARANCE - MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES

06-112

GIFT OF FUNDS FROM BARNSDALL ART PARK FOUNDATION
AND THE BARNSDALL ART CENTER STUDENT ADVISORY
COMMITTEE AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE
GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, FOR THE REPLACEMENT
OF KILNS AND INSTALLATION OF NEW SHED FOR
BARNSDALL HOUSE AND PARK

06-113

GILBERT LINDSAY RECREATION CENTER - GRANT OF
\$59,199 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE
OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION, FOR
THE WRIGLEY LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAM

06-114

GRANT APPLICATION - THE GREAT AMERICAN BAKE SALE
TO SUPPORT THE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

06-115 - Considered later in the meeting.

06-116

CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM - DONATION OF EXHIBITS FROM
FRIENDS OF CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM FOR THE MASTER
PLAN EXPANSION

06-117

RANCHO PARK GOLF - THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL POLICE
CELEBRITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

06-118

YOSEMITE RECREATION CENTER - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY
FEES FOR OUTDOOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS

06-119 - Considered later in the meeting.

06-120 - Considered later in the meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Casillas, seconded by Vice-President Luévano, 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.

06-102 - Out of Order.

AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE A GIFT FROM KAISER FOUNDATION
HEALTH PLAN, INC., CONSISTING OF CASH AND IN-KIND
PRODUCTS FOR TWO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SWIMMING POOL
PROJECTS (NORTH RIDGE PARK AND HARVARD PARK) CURRENTLY
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF
CITYWIDE SUMMER POOL PROGRAMMING

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Ms. Debby Rolland, Superintendent, West Region, briefed the Board on the projects and summer pool programs to benefit from the gift of the Kaiser Foundation. The Superintendent further acknowledged the Foundation for their generous donation, and also thanked Department staff for their tireless efforts in accomplishing the mutual goals.

Representing and accepting a plaque on behalf of the Kaiser Foundation were Mr. Andrew Gallardo, Sr. Communications Specialist; Ms. Rita Speck, Director of Governmental Affairs; and, Ms. Roberta Tinajero, Project Manager for Healthy Eating, Active Living.

President Sanchez-Camino and Commissioner Casillas acknowledged the Foundation for their partnership with the Department and presented the representatives with a plaque.

Mr. Michael Shull, Superintendent, amended the report increasing the total gift amount of the donation to \$1,223,096.00 and further adjusting the breakdowns.

It was moved by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Vice-President Luévano, that report No. 06-102 be approved as amended. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

06-103 - Out of Order.
TOBIAS AVENUE PARK (1351A) (W.O. #E170937F) - FINAL
ACCEPTANCE - CONTRACT NO. 3134

Mr. Patrick Ryan, representing Ryco Construction, requested compensation for interest on delayed claims.

Mr. Neil Drucker, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program, Bureau of Engineering, advised the Board that early on in the project a claim was submitted for a delayed start on the project, and that staff was evaluating said claim and further requesting information from Ryco Construction and Department staff and continues the process of evaluating said claim. Mr. Drucker further advised that subsequently, near the end of the project, a separate claim for interest on delayed payment was also submitted. He also noted that the project would not normally be accepted as complete until all claims were settled; however, in order to release retention to the contractor, staff was recommending that the Board accept the project as complete and approve the release of retention, and at a later date, staff would prepare a separate report to the Board that would address a reasonable settlement for both the delay of start-up construction claim and the interest claim. Mr. Drucker also stated that the report would address the correct date of completion; further advising that the Board's acceptance of the project would have no effect on the warranty period, which started on the date the Department of Recreation and Parks took beneficial occupancy of the site, which was done a number of months prior to the Board's acceptance of the project.

It was moved by Commissioner Casillas, seconded by Vice-President Luévano, that report No. 06-103 be approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

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06-110 - Out of Order.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN RECREATION AND
PARKS AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT
FOR THE JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME PREVENTION ACT AFTER-
SCHOOL ENRICHMENT AND SUPERVISION PROGRAM

The Commission's Executive Assistant read into the Minutes faxed comments received from Mr. Alex Mann, Chair, Friends of Hazard Park & Wetlands, regarding the omission of Hazard Park from Youth Employment Internship Program (YEIP), and requested inclusion of Hazard in YEIP Program.

In response to an inquiry from President Sanchez-Camino, Ms. Ann Vollmer, advised that all at-risk children and any youth at Hazard Park would be eligible for the program.

In response to an additional inquiry from President Sanchez-Camino, Kevin Regan, Assistant General Manager, Operations East, advised that the Department had conducted formal studies of the CLASS Parks Program and the various communities it served and how the Program related to the needs of the community.

It was moved by Vice-President Luévano, seconded by Commissioner Williams, that report No. 06-110 be approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

06-115 - Out of Order.

PROPOSITION 40 SPECIFIED SUB-GRANT AGREEMENT WITH
THE LOS ANGELES GRAND AVENUE AUTHORITY FOR DESIGN
OF CIVIC CENTER PARKS

Ms. Susan Huntley, Director, Grants Administration, introduced Ms. Martha Welborne, Managing Director of the Grand Avenue Committee, who then presented the Board with an overview of the proposed project.

The Sr. Assistant City Attorney advised the Board that the project would not be owned by the City of Los Angeles, nor be within the Department's jurisdiction. He further advised that the project was being carried out by the Community Redevelopment Agency and the County of Los Angeles, as a joint powers agency. The contract would be for the City to receive some of the design funds for the project and to channel them to the joint powers agency.

It was moved by Vice-President Luévano, seconded by Commissioner Casillas, that report No. 06-115 be approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

06-119 - Out of Order.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN FUND 302 IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS FOR VARIOUS
DEPARTMENT-WIDE PRIORITIZED EXPENDITURES

Ms. Faith Mok, Chief Financial Officer, amended page two of the report to eliminate the "relocation of interior work for ADA compliance.", stating that the \$400,000.00 did not include that cost.

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It was moved by Commissioner Casillas, seconded by Commissioner Williams, that report No. 06-119 be approved as amended. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

06-120 - Out of Order.
VARIOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Ted Tenorio, representing Native American Veterans Association, presented a proposal to hold the 5th Annual Native American Pow-Wow at Ken Malloy, Harbor Regional Park on November 17 through 19, 2006, and the reduction in park fees.

President Sanchez-Camino advised the representative that the Board would consider their proposal pending the Association's discussions with Department staff pertaining to fees and scheduling of the event.

It was moved by Commissioner Casillas, seconded by Vice-President Luévano, that report No. 06-120 be approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - Out of Order.

The Minutes of the Special Meetings of April 13, and April 17, 2006 were approved as submitted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 5, 2006 were approved as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

MEMORANDUM
2005 RAISE THE BAR YEAR END SUMMARY REPORT

Report Accepted.

COMMISSION TASK FORCES

Commission Task Force on Concession RFPs (Commissioners Sanchez-Camino and Spelling)

President Sanchez-Camino advised that the Board would receive a final board report for approval of the self-operation of the golf carts, as well as the Sepulveda Golf Professional Concession.

Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance (Commissioners Sanchez-Camino and Luévano)

President Sanchez-Camino advised that the Committee met after the April 17, 2006 Board meeting and were updated on the status of the pool repairs and the review of previous reports on the necessary funding for the repairs and the consideration of a more realistic amount for the repairs, as well as discussions of a master plan and how to engage the community in the process.

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GENERAL MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT

The General Manager reported on the Department activities and facilities.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2006 at 9:30 a.m., Garland Building Auditorium, 1200 West 7th Street, First Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

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