

SPECIAL MINUTES

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

July 23, 2014

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened in special session at the Sepulveda Garden Center at 10:19 a.m. Present were President Lynn Alvarez, Vice President Iris Zuñiga and Commissioners Sylvia Patsouras and Misty M. Sanford. Also present were Michael A. Shull, General Manager and City Attorney Arletta Maria Brimsey.

The following Department staff was present:

Regina Adams, Executive Officer
Kevin Regan, Assistant General Manager, Operations Branch
Vicki Israel, Assistant General Manager, Partnership and Revenue Branch
Ramon Barajas, Assistant General Manager, Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch
Noel Williams, Chief Accounting Employee, Finance Division

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

14-196

GRIFFITH PARK – GREEK THEATRE CONCESSION – AMENDMENT TO THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE GREEK THEATRE

Commissioner Sanford recused herself from acting on the item, and exited the meeting room.

The item was separately described and presented to the Board by Department staff, and the Board further discussed the item in detail. Public comment was invited on the item. One request for public comment was received and such comment was made to the Commission.

Agnes Ko, Senior Management Analyst II, amended the last sentence of Section 8 of Addendum No. 2 - RFP Exhibit C, "Sample Concession Agreement" as follows:

If the CONCESSIONAIRE's sound level reports for any event indicate a failure to comply with City noise ordinances, the CITY shall impose liquidated damages in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per location per event for the first ten (10) events. For violations between eleven (11) and twenty-five (25) events, the GENERAL MANAGER has the right to impose penalties up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per location per event.

It was moved by Commissioner Patsouras, seconded by Commissioner Zuñiga that General Manager's Report 14-196 be approved as amended, and that the Resolutions recommended in the report be thereby approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14-173 – Taken Out of Order

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**ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION A AND SUBDIVISION 3
OF SUBSECTION B OF SECTION 63.44 OF CHAPTER VI OF THE
LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT VENDING OF
COMMERCIAL ITEMS OR SERVICES IN ALL PUBLIC PARKS**
(Original Date – 6/26/14)

The item was separately described and presented to the Board by Department staff, and the Board further discussed the item in detail. Public comment was invited on the item. Three requests for public comment were received and such comments were made to the Commission.

Vice President Zuñiga recommended the Report be amended to include the following recommendations:

Request 6 month delay in implementation in order to engage in public awareness campaign on changes to LAMC regarding vending. Department should educate public that vending is no longer allowed.

Once implemented, penalties should begin with warning, then proceed with fines, and should have stepped penalties (\$100, \$250, \$500).

In the meantime, request the Department work with citywide effort on addressing sidewalk vending so that park regulations are in line with any changes made to citywide sidewalk vending.

In addition, Commission Task Force on Concessions should explore opportunities and standards for creating a licensing program for vendors at parks. The Task Force will develop criteria for vendors around food safety and health and will explore the following:

- Who can be licensed/permitted
- Process for licensing/permitted
- Creation of food and beverage guidelines- what can be sold. Priorities be given to vendors who sell majority of items under "healthy options" categories.
- Develop categories for vendors
- Guidelines for whether vendors have to be stationary or mobile
- Guidelines for responsibility of keeping area clean

President Alvarez confirmed that Vice President Zuñiga's recommendations would be something that would be expressed to the City Council should it go to the City Council, but not a change to the ordinance itself.

It was moved by Commissioner Sanford, seconded by Commissioner Patsaouras that General Manager's Report 14-173 be approved as amended, and that the Resolutions recommended in the report be thereby approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

RECONSIDERATION: - Taken Out of Order

It was moved by Commissioner Sanford, seconded by Commissioner Patsaouras that General Manager's Report 14-189 be reconsidered. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

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14-189

HAZARD PARK – PROPOSED PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND
CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL FOR DEDICATION OF A SIDEWALK
EASEMENT RELATED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
CALIFORNIA HEALTH SCIENCES CAMPUS PROJECT

The item was separately described and presented to the Board by Department staff, and the Board further discussed the item in detail. Public comment was invited on the item. One request for public comment was received and such comment was made to the Commission.

It was moved by Commissioner Patsouras, seconded by Commissioner Sanford that General Manager's Report 14-189 be approved, and that the Resolutions recommended in the report be thereby approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

14-093 – Taken Out of Order

GILBERT LINDSAY COMMUNITY CENTER – SYNTHETIC FIELD
REPLACEMENT (PRJ20806) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF
QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

(Original Date – 4/23/14)

Cathie Santo Domingo, Superintendent, Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch amended the report to add and "F" to the Fiscal Impact Statement header located on Page 2 of the Report.

The item was separately described and presented to the Board by Department staff, and the Board further discussed the item in detail. Public comment was invited on the item; however, no request for public comment was received.

It was moved by Commissioner Sanford, seconded by Commissioner Patsouras that General Manager's Report 14-093 be approved as amended, and that the Resolutions recommended in the report be thereby approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comment was invited. Two requests for public comment were received and such comments were made to the Commission.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14-186 – Taken Out of Order

SPRING STREET PARK – INSTALLATION OF A MEMORIAL
PLAQUE

(Original Date – 7/9/14)

Deputy City Attorney, Arletta Maria Brimsey requested that the Board adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9A due to pending litigation in the case of Jimmy Vasquez and Natasha Vasquez vs. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case

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No. BC495376. She further stated there was pending litigation in which the City of Los Angeles was a party and the litigation had been formally initiated.

At 11:30 a.m. the Board entered into Closed Session.

At 11:47 a.m. the Board returned from Closed Session.

Deputy City Attorney, Maria Brimsey reported that in Closed Session, it was moved by Commissioner Patsouras, seconded by Commissioner Sanford that General Manager's Report 14-186 be approved, and that the Resolutions recommended in the report be thereby approved. There being no objections, the Motion was unanimously approved.

President Alvarez stated that the Department, City Attorneys, and ArtWalk would work together to ensure that the size and design of the plaque being bronzed are in conformity with the Department's policies. She further stated that the entities would sign the Department's policy agreement with regards to the maintenance of these park plaques.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at 9:30 a.m., at Stoner Recreation Center, 1835 Stoner Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025.

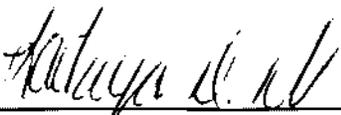
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY