

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

Thursday, September 3, 2020

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the telephonic Regular Meeting at 9:30 a.m. Present were President Sylvia Patsaouras, Vice-President Lynn Alvarez, Commissioners Tafarai Bayne, Nicole Chase, and Joseph Halper. Also present were Michael A. Shull, General Manager, Deputy City Attorney IV Mike Dundas, and Deputy City Attorney III Steven Hong.

The following Department staff members were also present:

Sophia Piña-Cortez, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations Branch
Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, Planning, Maintenance, & Construction Branch
Noel Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Branch

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Patsaouras called for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2020. Commissioner Halper made such motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Bayne. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments on matters within the Board's jurisdiction were invited, 19 such requests were submitted.

GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Michael A. Shull, General Manager, reported that RAP opened its Alternative Learning Centers program at over 60 Recreation Centers throughout the City this past Monday as an alternative for children who do not have a school or childcare facility to attend. Mr. Shull shared that this program does not provide classroom instruction, but rather provides supervision and internet access to almost 800 kids with a capacity to grow to 1,200 participants. He stated that this program is free at 50 sites as RAP seeks to reach those most vulnerable kids. Mr. Shull also announced that City Council recently approved the Separation Incentive Program (SIP) with about 1,300 City employees choosing the early retirement incentive and he will continue to provide updates of this program as nearly 300 RAP employees are eligible to retire early. He then disclosed that this SIP will also result in furloughs for RAP employees and he will report in the future the impacts this will have on operations.

BOARD REPORTS

20-170 My LA2050 Grant by Goldhirsh Foundation and the Annenberg Foundation – Approval of Application Submitted for Implementation of a Mobile Recreation Program; Acceptance of Grant Funds, Utilizing the Los Angeles Parks Foundation as the Fiscal Agent

Jennifer Sapone, Senior Management Analyst I, Program Grants, Recreation Services Branch, presented Board Report No. 20-170.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

20-171 Robertson Recreation Center - (PRJ20021) (W.O. #E170266F) Project - Acceptance of Stop Payment Notice and Acceptance of Bond for Release of Stop Payment Notice on Construction Contract No. 3595 for Ford E.C., Inc.

Darryl Ford, Acting Superintendent, Planning Construction and Maintenance Branch, presented Board Report No. 20-171.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

20-172 Boyle Heights Sports Center Gymnasium (W.O. #E170192A) (PRJ20061) Project – Adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration, Approval of Buildings Demolition and Approval of Project; Allocation of Quimby Fees - Statutory Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article II, Section 2(i) of City CEQA Guidelines and to Section 21082 of California Public Resources Code

Darryl Ford, Acting Superintendent, Planning Construction and Maintenance Branch, presented Board Report No. 20-172.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

20-173 Tract Map No. VTT-83086 – Recommendation to the Advisory Agency for Land Dedication or In-Lieu Park Fee Payment

Ligaya Khennavong, Management Assistant, Planning Construction and Maintenance Branch, presented Board Report No. 20-165.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE ADVISORY AGENCY TO REQUIRE TRACT MAP NO. VTT-83086 (PROJECT) TO PAY IN-LIEU FEES TO THE CITY IN ORDER TO FULFILL THE PROJECT'S REQUIREMENTS UNDER PROVISIONS OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE (LAMC) SECTION 12.33

20-174 Parcel Map No. AA-2019-7098-PMLA – Recommendation to the Advisory Agency for Land Dedication or In-Lieu Park Fee Payment

Ligaya Khennavong, Management Assistant, Planning Construction and Maintenance Branch, presented Board Report No. 20-174.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE ADVISORY AGENCY TO REQUIRE PARCEL MAP NO. AA-2019-7098-PMLA (PROJECT) TO PAY IN-LIEU FEES TO THE CITY IN ORDER TO FULFILL THE PROJECT'S REQUIREMENTS UNDER PROVISIONS OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE (LAMC) SECTION 12.33

20-175 Hollenbeck Park – Security and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Improvements (PRJ21383) 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 Alterations Involving Remodeling or Minor Construction where there be Negligible or No Expansion of Use], Class 1(12) [Outdoor Lighting and Fencing for Security and Operations], Class 2(6) [Replacement of Existing Heating and Air-Conditioning Systems] and Class 3(4) [Installation of New Equipment Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Use if Required for Safety, Health, the Public Convenience, or Environmental Control] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301, 15302 and 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines

Meghan Luera, Management Analyst, Planning Construction and Maintenance Branch, presented Board Report No. 20-175.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENTS

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

BOARD REDPORT PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments relevant to the General Board Reports were requested; 6 such requests were submitted.

CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS

President Patsouras requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports as presented. It was moved by Commissioner Chase and seconded by Commissioner Bayne that the Board Reports be approved as listed above. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

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. Vice-President Alvarez requested an update on the Hollenbeck Park improvements and maintenance and an update on the Matthews Street Property Acquisition. Commissioner Chase requested an update on the LA Equestrian Center as well as encampment cleanups. Commissioner Bayne also requested an update on encampment cleanups. President Patsouras requested an update on the Greek Theatre's 90th Anniversary alternate celebration plans.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY