

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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

**Thursday, February 17, 2022**

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 Anthony-Paul Diaz, Executive Officer and Chief of Staff, Assistant City Attorney Mike Dundas, and Deputy City Attorney III Steven Hong.

The following Department staff members were also present:

Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch

Matthew Rudnick, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations Branch

Jimmy Kim, Acting Assistant General Manager, Recreation Services Branch

Noel Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Branch

**CALL TO ORDER**

Acknowledgement of Service – Aquatic Facility Manager Louis Rivera

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

President Patsaouras called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 3, 2022 with a revision. Commissioner Chase 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, four such requests were submitted.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE**

Anthony Paul Diaz, Executive Officer and Chief of Staff, Mr. Diaz stated that park programs are opening up, with staff working closely with the Department of Public Health to ensure we are following sensory inclusive certified, and the site staff and exhibits are ready for a comfortable experience for guests with sensory sensitivities.

Mr. Diaz mentioned that our Play LA adaptive team hosted their first sport sitting volleyball clinic. He also stated that we will have another clinic Saturday, February 27, 2022 at Peck Park. Mr. Diaz mentioned the South Park Recreation center ribbon cutting that took place on February 9, 2022 for the new football and baseball fields. Mr. Diaz went on to thank all of Recreation and Parks staff on a job well done on that project. Mr. Diaz mentioned an event with the Mayor on February 7, 2022 at the Michelle and Barack Obama complex.

Mr. Diaz mentioned the Los Angeles junior golf championship is now open for registration. The event will be held at Wilson Harding golf from April 9th through the 11<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Diaz mentioned the soft opening of MacArthur Park on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

### **INFORMATIONAL REPORT**

Michelle Barton-(LA Sanitation & Environment) presented an Informational Report- City of Los Angeles Biodiversity & Healthy Soils Initiatives

### **VERBAL REPORT AND FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953 (AB 361)**

President Sylvia Patsouras reported that the board must consider a determination, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3) that, while the state of emergency due to the Covid-19 pandemic, as originally proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, remains active and/or state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, this legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members of this Board, and the ability of the members of all of this Board's advisory bodies, including, but not limited to, all park advisory boards, the Greek Theatre Advisory Committee, and the Golf Advisory Committee, as well as the public who might attend these meetings, to meet safely in person and/or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

President Sylvia Patsouras made motion for approval of such findings and Commissioner Bayne seconded the motion.

Public comment relevant to this item were invited, with no requests submitted. There being no objection to the motion, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

### **BOARD REPORTS**

22-030 Award of Contract for Recreation Management and Reservation System Software Support, Maintenance, Equipment, and Training

Alex Yee, Director of Systems, Systems Division, presented Board Report No. 22-030.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-031 Kaiser Permanente Operation Splash 2022 and 2023 Grant Programs – Retroactive Approval of Submission of Grant Application for Aquatics Programming and Subsequent Executed Grant Agreement; Acceptance of Grant Funds

Jennifer Sapone, Sr. Management Analyst, Recreation Services Division, presented Board Report No. 22-031.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-032 Elysian Park – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21599) Project – Commitment of Park Fees – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(11) [Demolition of Existing Structures], Class 2 [Replacement of Existing Structures where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site and Have Substantially The Same Purpose and Capacity], and Class 11(3) [Placing of Minor Structures Accessory to Existing Facilities] of the City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Sections 15301, 15302, and 15311

Ajmal Noorzayee, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-032.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-033 Watts Skate Park – New Skate Park (PRJ20577) Project – Approval of Revised Memorandum of Agreement Between the Department of Transportation and the Department of Recreation and Parks for the Joint Use of a Portion of the Watts Skate Park Property

Meghan Luera,. Management Analyst, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-033.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-034 Building Permit No. 18010-10000-05982 – 2020 North Barranca Street – Approval of Privately Accessible Recreation Credit Per Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 – Approval of Covenant and Agreement and Operation and Maintenance Agreement

Meghan Luera,. Management Analyst, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-034.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-035 Vesting Tentative Tract (VTT) No. 83460 – Recommendation to the Advisory Agency for Land Dedication or In-Lieu Park Fee Payment

Ajmal Noorzayee, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-035

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-036 Clean and Safe Spaces (Class) Parks Youth Employment Internship - Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act After-School Enrichment and Supervision Program for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; Acceptance of Grant Funds

Ramon Cerillos, Principal Recreation Supervisor, Recreation Services Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-036.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-037 Griffith Park Train Ride Concession – Proposed Price Increase and Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 247 With GP Rah Enterprises, LLC to Extend Term

Latricia Jones, Management Analyst, Special Operations Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-037.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-038 Award of Contract for As-Needed Purchase of Skatepark, Bike Park, and Pump Track Solutions with Related Equipment, Accessories, and Services – Use of The Sourcewell Contract No. 112420-SRI with Spohn Ranch, Inc.

John Busby, Sr. Management Analyst, Special Operations Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-038 with a revision.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

22-039 Award of Contract for As-Needed Purchase of Skatepark, Bike Park, and Pump Track Solutions with Related Equipment, Accessories, And Services – Use of The Sourcewell Contract No. 112420-CAS with California Skateparks

John Busby, Sr. Management Analyst, Special Operations Branch, presented Board Report No. 22-039.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

### **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENTS**

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

### **BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS**

Public comments relevant to the Board Reports were requested; no such request was submitted. President Patsouras requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports as presented. It was moved by Commissioner Chase and seconded by Commissioner Halper 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 TASK FORCE UPDATES**

**Commission Task Force on Concessions**

Commissioner Chase reported that this Task Force did not meet this morning. Commissioner Chase stated they have a special meeting scheduled for today directly after our Commission meeting. And she would provide comments on that meeting at our next meeting.

**Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance**

Vice President Alvarez stated that Commission met and discussed three items. The first item was a presentation from Carolyn Ramsey the Executive Director from the LA Parks foundation discussing the park force installations. Vice President Alvarez also mention a presentation regarding some construction at Leland Park. Vice President Alvarez stated they had an update on Quimby park fee ordinances.

**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.. Commissioner Halper would like an update on the Exeloo self-cleaning restrooms for Hollenbeck Park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

**ATTEST**

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PRESIDENT

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BOARD SECRETARY