



FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM: 4A - MINUTES

Thursday, May 16, 2024, 2023, 6:30 P.M.
Howe Park: 2201 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825

1. CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dias at 6:30pm, with a Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members:

Jessica Dias, Chair - Present
Laura Lavallee, Vice Chair - Present
Michael Seaman, Secretary - Present
Teresa Higgins, Director - Absent
Kathy Stricklin, Director - Present

Staff Members:

Emily Ballus - Present
Becky McDaniel - Via Zoom
Beth Johnson - via Zoom
Mike Chahal - Present
Ryan Harder - Present
Robin Romines – via Zoom

Visitors:

Amy Sagraves - Resident
Mathew Sagraves - Resident

3. PUBLIC AND VISITOR COMMENTS

No Public Comment.

4. CONSENT ITEMS (Motion)

- a. Minutes of the March 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Program Revenue and Refund Report for March 2024
- c. Payroll Report for March 2024
- d. Claims for March 2024
- e. Revolving Fund Report for March 2024
- f. Services and Supplies Summary Report as of March 2024
- g. Monthly Department Breakdown for March 2024
- h. Parks, Recreation, Facility Rentals, and Security Report March 2024

Secretary Seaman made a motion to approve the Consent Items and Director Stricklin seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-0-1.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Presentation to Superintendent of Recreation Becky McDaniel on her Retirement from the District

Superintendent of Recreation Becky McDaniel will be honored with a Recognition of Retirement Award to thank her for her 20-plus years of service to the District.

GM Ballus honored Becky McDaniel with a Recognition of Retirement Award for her over 20 years of service to the District and being a backbone in the Recreation department. Becky officially retired on March 31, 2024, and joined via Zoom. Director of Parks and Recreation Ryan Harder and Board Chair Jessica Dias Ryan presented the award to Becky. Becky thanked the staff and the board for their partnership.

5.2 Presentation on Placer.ai Analytics Software for Cities, Districts and Regions

Nicole Alexander will provide a demonstration of Placer.ai software capabilities. This software tracks privacy-safe foot traffic data to assist organizations with human and financial resources allocation.

Nicole Alexander presented information on Placer. Ai and how data is captured and analyzed for people using parks. She summarized data of park visitors for FEC Parks over the last 12 months. The presentation demonstrates the data available to evaluate the need for such information.

5.3 Next Steps for Placing a General Obligation Bond on the November Ballot.

The Board will discuss placing a general obligation bond on the November 5, 2024, ballot. Jon Isom of Isom Advisors will lead the discussion.

Jon Isom gave a presentation on a general obligation bond (GOB), which is a funding mechanism for public agencies. A GOB is an improvement measure that is placed on the election ballot and currently requires a two-thirds voter approval threshold to pass. The measure would stipulate a tax rate, a bond amount and outline what projects would be completed with the funds. In discussion with Board members, Board Secretary Seaman mentioned the potential ballot measure to lower the threshold to 55% and noted that bonds are typically used for capital improvements and are not intended to provide operating funds. He asked whether having a bond measure on the ballot might conflict with a potential assessment for necessary operating funds. Mr. Isom said the standard practice is to follow a successful bond measure with an assessment.

GM Ballus indicated she and Director of P&R Harder have met with FEC leagues and swim team and various other community groups to discuss the bond. Each has responded favorably. Isom indicated the deadline to place such a measure on the ballot is August 9.

5.4 Presentation of the District's Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan

Tom Hare of RRM Design Group spoke about why districts should have a capital improvement plan (CIP). He gave a brief background of his experience in working with park districts with regards to capital improvement needs and plans. He summarized the draft ten-year CIP staff, he has prepared for our district and outlined implementation roles for board members and the staff. The draft CIP will be considered in Committees.

6. ACTION ITEMS (Approval Required)

6.1 SUBJECT: Approve the Statutory Partner Agreement with Community Resource Project

The Board will consider approving a Statutory Partnership Agreement with Community Resource Project (CRP) as the secondary applicant for an EPA Community Change Grant Application for a Mobility Hub at Bohemian Park. Luis Sanchez, who is the CEO of Community Resource Project, and Angelina Rahimi, who is the CEO of Aura Planning and this grant's technical advisor, will present and be available for questions.

Luiz Sanchez and Anglina Rahimi presented on a partnership between FEC and the Community Resource Project for an EPA Community Change Grant for a Mobility Hub at Bohemian Park. Mr. Sanchez summarized CRP services in the community that include lowering the energy costs in concert with SMUD and PG&E. Program funding would be provided via EPA Federal funds which require a partnership between CRP and a nonprofit or government entity such as FEC.

Anglina Rahimi provided the background of services her firm Aura Planning provides with respect to accessing the funding from Federal EPA Program for the Mobility Hub's.

Secretary Seaman moved to approve the Statutory Partnership Agreement with CPR, it was seconded by Chair Dias, and passed, 4-0-0-1.

6.2 SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution 2023/24-19 Opposing Initiative #1935

The Board will consider adopting resolution 2023/24-19 opposing Initiative 1935 which would limit the ability of voters and state governments to raise revenues for government services. This initiative would be a State Constitutional Amendment.

GM Ballus provided a summary of the initiative and indicated per CSDA guidance FEC considers formally opposing the initiative. Director Stricklin moved to approve the motion to Adopt Resolution 2023/24-19 Opposing Initiative #1935. The motion was seconded by Secretary Seaman. Director Lavallee said she did not fully understand the resolution's purpose and indicated that she will abstain from voting. The vote was taken and passed with 3-0-1-1, Vice Chair Lavallee abstained.

6.3 SUBJECT: 2024 Slate of California Association of Recreation and Park District Board Officers

The Board will consider authorizing the General Manger to vote for the CAPRD 2024 Slate of Board Officers at the CARPD Conference in Santa Rosa, on May 23, 2024.

GM Ballus indicated this is an annual process whereby the board authorizes the GM to vote for the recommended CARPD Slate of Board Officers. Vice Chair Lavallee made the motion to approve the slate and authorize the GM to vote for the candidates on the CARPD Board of Directors ballot. Secretary Seaman seconded the motion and the motion to approve passes 4-0-0-1.

7. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION (No Action Required)

7.1 General Manager's Report

The Board did not hear the oral presentation of the report given time constraints.

8. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Board members will report on items of interest to the Board.

No discussions or comments

9 INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS (No Action Required)

- A. CSDA: Support Request – H.R. 7525 Special District Grant Accessibility Act
- B. Flyer: Senior Trip: Farmers Market, May 18, meet at Howe Park
- C. CSDA: Special Districts Legislative Days
- D. Flyer: Community Yard Sale on June 2 at Howe Park

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chair Dias adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Mike Chahal, Director of Finance and Administration / Clerk of the Board.

APPROVED: _____
Jessica Dias, Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST: _____
Michael Seaman, Secretary, Board of Directors