

ITEM: CONSENT AGENDA – 1 A
MINUTES
Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District
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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT was held December 19, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Lavallee

Board Members Present

Laura Lavallee, Chair
Jessica Dias, Vice Chair- Via Phone
Kathleen Stricklin, Secretary
Michael Seaman, Director

Staff Members Present

Michael Grace, General Manager
Linda Montijo, Supt. of Administration
Alan Owen, Park Manager

Board Members Absent

Teresa Higgins, Director

Visitors:

John Isom – Isom Advisors

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None

1. CONSENT AGENDA

BOARD ACTION: APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA: Director Seaman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Director Stricklin seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-1-0 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin and Director Seaman voting aye. There were no Nays or Abstentions. Director Higgins was marked absent.

2. GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND

Chair Lavallee stated her underlying concern is maintaining what we have. In the bond there are all these improvements listed. What is our mechanism to maintain these items once they are constructed? General Manager Grace responded that there are items that would not increase out costs but acknowledged that there are some that will add to our expenses, but some of those are mitigated by cost savings also.

Director Seaman is a proponent of continuing with the “shopping list”. He feels the District’s plate is currently full (with the bridge at Cottage and other projects). If the public sees progress, they will believe we are doing what we said we would. His belief is that because of the current political landscape, the board is going to have a hard time getting their message out Perhaps the time will be better in two years.

John Isom with Isom Advisors informed the Board that the greatest time for success for a General Obligation Bond is during a presidential election cycle. Statistically speaking during a presidential election the success rates for bond measure is 90%. It is hard to get a word in edgewise in the political media campaigns but the plus side is the number of people coming out to vote. He suggested we do a survey after the primary election which should give us the time to get on the November ballot if we have the support.

The Board directed the General Manager to speak with John Isom regarding the survey.

3. BOHEMIAN PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN

After discussion, the Board decided the original site (#4) on the conceptual plan is the best site for the garden site.

4. SACRAMENTO LAFCO, SELECTION OF SPECIAL DISTRICT COMMISSIONER AND ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER RUN-OFF

Director Seaman made a motion to support Charlea Moore. Vice Chair Dias seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0-1 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin, and Director Seaman voting aye. There were no Nays or Abstentions. Director Higgins was marked absent.

5. CONSOLIDATION STUDY AD HOC COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair Lavallee appointed Directors Seaman and Dias to the Ad Hoc committee to evaluate whether and how we can partner with the other park entities.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager gave board members a packet to help them with talking points when they are talking to community members regarding the Bohemian Park grant request.

Director Seaman felt the Prop 68 capital grants should not have been postponed and that should be communicated to the legislature. Director Seaman asked what the status was of the National Guard doing the replacement of the bridge at cottage. Chair Lavallee would like that given top priority.

Director Seaman stated that the proposed closure of Babcock gives us an opportunity to reclaim the park land, but our concerns are falling on deaf ears. We need to apply some pressure, and involve the Swanston Estates Home Owner's Association.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

8. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Chair Lavallee – attended the Light Parade and it was a “Christmas Miracle” that it stopped raining as it started.

Vice Chair Dias – reported reading an article about cities with ransomware attack. At a future meeting would like to discuss what our exposure would be if that happened.

Secretary Stricklin – the feedback she received regarding the Light Parade made mention of the need for better lights on the names on the vehicles and a better job of communication of the street closures.

Director Higgins – none

Director Seaman – attended the Greater Arden Chamber of Commerce meeting and mixers as well as the staff holiday party.

9. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. CPRS Advocacy email

B. Christopher Shannon, Council Representative for Councilmember Allen Warren, District 2
With two letter addressing the potential closure of Babcock Elementary School

C. Donald W. McMurchie's Obituary, Sacramento Bee, October 13, 2019

D. SMUD, Custom Energy Efficiency Program, Incentive Check, \$2,431

E. Letter to Arden Manor Recreation and Park District regarding consolidation study

F. Letter authorizing the site test of a 6" backflow prevention valve

G. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Youth Basketball Courts

10. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Chair for 2020

Chair Lavallee nominated Vice-Chair Dias as the Chair for 2020, Director Seaman seconded the Nomination. Vote was 4-0-0-1 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin and Director Seaman voting Aye. There were not Nays or Abstentions. Director Higgins was marked Absent.

Vice Chair for 2020

Director Seaman nominated Secretary Stricklin as the Vice Chair for 2020, Chair Lavallee seconded the Nomination. Vote was 4-0-0-1 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin and Director Seaman voting Aye. There were not Nays or Abstentions. Director Higgins was marked Absent.

Secretary for 2020

Chair Lavallee nominated Director Seaman as the Secretary for 2020, Secretary Stricklin seconded the Nomination. Vote was 4-0-0-1 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin and Director Seaman voting Aye. There were not Nays or Abstentions. Director Higgins was marked Absent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Montijo Superintendent of Administration

Jessica Dias, Chair
Board of Directors

ATTEST: _____
Michael Seaman, Secretary
Board of Directors