

## ITEM: CONSENT AGENDA – 1 A

### FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 – 6:30 PM MINUTES

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dias at 6:32 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Directors present via Zoom or in person

Jessica Dias

Teresa Higgins

Laura Lavallee

Michael Seaman

Kathleen Stricklin

Staff Members in attendance via Zoom or in person

Emily Ballus, Linda Montijo, Becky McDaniel, Jaden Delfer, Ryan Harder, Robin Romines, James Joseph

#### **VISITOR COMMENTS**

None

#### **1. CONSENT AGENDA**

BOARD ACTION: APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

**Moved by Seaman, seconded by Dias – The Board voted to approve Consent Matters, as amended;** to update the minutes of the August 20, 26, 2020, meeting with the correct wording used by Director Seaman in the Director's Comments changing "legislative committee" to "Legislature."

The motion passed 5-0-0-0 with Dias, Higgins, Lavallee, Seaman, and Stricklin voting Aye. There were no Nays or Abstentions.

#### **2. 2020 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PARK AND RECREATION INDEMNITY (CAPRI) BOARD OFFICERS**

General Manager Ballus was asked to obtain clarification from CAPRI on whether CAPRI board nominees must be on their own district's board when they apply or when they serve or both.

#### **3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Manager Ballus reported that the Park Advisory Committee meeting for Babcock was reschedule from September 9 to October 10 due to the poor air quality. With respect to the County's Howe Avenue Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Project, Secretary Seaman suggested the County construct a barrier at the street level to prevent vehicles from running down the embankment into the park and puts in some stamped red-brick-pattern concrete on the pedestrian path to tie in with the District's theme.

#### **4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Director Stricklin reported that the Howe/Santa Anita Park Advisory Committee meeting was held at the Howe Community Center on September 10, 2020.

Director Higgins reported that the Finance Committee met and will continue to closely monitor the budget for negative impacts due to pandemic-related program closures.

## **5. DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Chair Dias provided accolades to Police Chief Jim Brown on the report he provided the Board, and indicated she participated in open swim and complimented District aquatics staff.

Director Stricklin reported the Santa Anita bridge repairs are stunning and asked if the bridge would be painted to match the other bridge in the park. Director Stricklin indicated she is excited about the California Storm women's professional soccer team partnership and suggested that this collaboration can enhance future grant seeking efforts.

Director Seaman reported the Cottage Park bridge ribbon cutting included area elected officials and garnered traction on social media and asked if the staff was planning to hold a ribbon cutting at the Santa Anita Park bridge. Director Seaman suggested that the north parking lot at Cottage Park be kept locked until school reopens to deter unwanted activity in that area, and reported that deliverables for the National COVID-19 Outdoor Learning Initiative are being developed and include schools partnering with local parks for outdoor classrooms.

Director Lavallee indicated the DART swim partnership is very positive for the District and is a result of community networking. Director Lavallee advised that she noticed the state of disrepair of some of the park benches and picnic tables and asked staff to be mindful of the upkeep of these park amenities.

Director Higgins indicated that the park lawns appear to be in very good condition and asked if the District's water bills have increased as a result.

## **6. IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Chair Dias requested for Board Committees to be listed on future Board agendas.

Director Seaman asked for Proposition 15 to be placed on the Agenda for the next Board meeting for discussion and potential endorsement.

Director Higgins and Director Lavallee asked that a Resolution be prepared recognizing retired General Manager Mike Grace for his years of service to the District and included in the Agenda for the next Board meeting.

## **7. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. CSDA Special District COVID-19 Impacts Infographics
- B. Santa Anita Bridge Repair in Progress
- C. Howe Avenue Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Project

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Linda Montijo Superintendent of Administration

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Jessica Dias, Chair  
Board of Directors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Michael Seaman, Secretary  
Board of Directors