

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 May 21, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Chair Dias via the Zoom program used to teleconference.

Board Members Present (via Phone)
Jessica Dias, Chair
Kathleen Stricklin, Vice Chair
Michael Seaman, Secretary
Teresa Higgins, Director

Board Members Present (Present in Room)
Laura Lavallee, Director
Staff Members (Present in Room)
Michael Grace, General Manager
Linda Montijo, Supt. of Administration

Staff Members present Via Phone
Becky McDaniel, Superintendent of Recreation
Jaden Delfer, Recreation Supervisor
Ryan Harder, Recreation Supervisor
Robin Romines, Recreation Supervisor

Visitors: Visitors are able to join via Zoom or attend in person
None

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None

1. CONSENT AGENDA

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

2. DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

No further layoffs expected at this time. Any further decisions require a timeline as to when things are going to open. The district is awaiting the Governor's forthcoming announcement tomorrow. The decision has been made to go with option "B" for the budget. Option "B" is based a sluggish economy. Discussion as to when to open the parking lot. General consensus is to hold off opening the parking lots for the moment. Another question brought up was, what the timeline is to bring back the portable restrooms to the rest of the parks. The decision was made to bring them back June 1st and then open the permanent bathrooms at the same time.

3. ANNUAL PARK TOUR DISCUSSION

Director Lavallee – Visited Bohemian Park and noticed that the bridge needs to be refurbished and the stream is awfully grown in. Is it supposed to be a stream? General Manager Grace responded that it is meant to be a catch basin. There is graffiti on the wooden enclosure that was painted over but not in the same color as the original. The park looks pretty good in general but she observed several people playing cricket. Perhaps after the Covid-19 Pandemic we could look into offering cricket as recreation.

Director Higgins – Visited Cottage Park and was surprised at how many homeless people were sleeping in the park. Only a few children were playing but the vast majority were homeless sleeping. Secretary Seaman commented that the current construction project has cut down on the homeless staying at the park during the day. Director Higgins walks Seely every day and has seen

the lawn being mowed and the graffiti getting covered up. The park looks pretty good. Secretary Seaman – Visited Belleview and Babcock. In Belleview he saw a bit of litter courtesy of one of our resident homeless person. Ultimately it seems to be in reasonable shape. He did notice the basketball courts have a lot of weeds and were missing their hoops. As for Babcock Park, the little entrance from the neighborhood continues to look unkempt and shabby due to the school not wanting it to be used. General Manager Grace reported that SHRA is interested in maintaining their investment in the school property.

Vice-Chair Stricklin – Visited all the parks. When the tree was taken down in Santa Anita park it was meant to be left as a scientific station. General Manager Grace confirmed that that is still the case. Her other question was in regard to the tennis courts at Creekside. SJUSD demolished them, have we received anything in return for the loss of the courts? General Manager Grace responded that the district is trying to leverage that into something bigger.

Chair Dias – Visited Seely park and did not have much to add except that on the side of the walking trail there is a utility box with a hole in the top which a small child could put a foot in it by accident. General Manager Grace replied it would be taken care of.

4. BOND MEASURE

Director Lavallee motioned to postpone indefinitely moving forward with the bond measure for the November ballot. Vice Chair Stricklin seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0-0 with Chair Dias, Vice Chair Stricklin, Secretary Seaman, Director Higgins and Director Lavallee voting aye. There were no Nays or Abstentions.

5. INITIATION OF ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PROCESS

Secretary Seaman motioned to adopt Resolution 2019/20-18 Confirming Diagram and Assessment and Levy of Assessment for Fiscal Year 2020-21 for the Fulton-El Camino Parks Maintenance and Recreation and Improvement District (Assessment #1) and Resolution 2019/20-19 Confirming Diagram and Assessment and Levy of Assessment for Fiscal Year 2020-21 for the Fulton-El Camino Parks Maintenance and Recreation Improvement District (Assessment #2). Director Higgins seconded the motion. Resolutions were adopted 5-0-0-0 with Chair Dias, Vice Chair Stricklin, Secretary Seaman, Director Higgins and Director Lavallee voting aye. There were no Nays or Abstentions.

6. CARPD VIRTUAL EVENT

The General Manager is attending as well as Secretary Seaman and Director Higgins. The General Manager will dispense the information to Board members and staff.

7. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Reported on the two grants that Superintendent McDaniel applied for and received. One from the Rotary Club and the other from the GSSA. Orangevale is looking for a new general manager since their current one is retiring. The application period closes about two weeks after FEC closes. He heard from the county regarding the safe walkway project. Secretary Seaman would like equal billing since it does take place on our property. General Manager Grace reported that in the last two days they have discovered water coming up through the pool deck. They are in the middle of getting someone to come out and discover where it is coming from.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Personnel and Finance Committee met on Tuesday and discussed the budget and the upcoming General Manager vacancy. Superintendent McDaniel is taking the lead on creating a matrix to score the applications as well as start creating interview questions. A special Board Meeting would have to be scheduled. The screening of the applicants would happen by a panel composed of three people. Two being the members of the Personnel and Finance Committee and a staff member. Chief Brown has requested to either sit on the panel or be allowed to sit in on the interview.

9. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Director Lavallee – Has a telephone conference regarding the Empowerment Park and its grant. It

is moving along.

Vice-Chair Stricklin – Expressed some concerns regarding the increasing cost of running for office.

Chair Dias – None

Director Higgins – Expressed concern regarding personnel of synchro team.

Secretary Seaman – Received a job well done praise from a local resident in Cottage Park and wanted to pass that one to staff.

10. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Fishing Derby Board Report

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Montijo Superintendent of Administration

Jessica Dias, Chair
Board of Directors

ATTEST: _____

Michael Seaman, Secretary
Board of Directors