

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

Thursday, September 5, 2024

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the Regular Meeting at 9:00 a.m. Present were, President Renata Simril, Vice President Luis Sanchez, Commissioner Fiona Hutton, Commissioner Marie Lloyd and Commissioner Benny Tran. Also present were, Jimmy Kim, General Manager, , Deputy City Attorney IV Steven Hong and Deputy City Attorney III Brendan Kearns.

The following Department staff members were also present:

Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, Planning Maintenance, and Construction Branch
Trish Delgado, Superintendent, Recreation Services Branch
Brenda Aguirre, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations Branch
John Busby, Sr. Management Analyst, Finance Administration Branch

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Simril called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 15, 2024. Vice President Sanchez made such motion, and it was seconded by Commissioner Hutton. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Jimmy Kim, General Manager, began his update by providing information regarding the Paralympic Games. He mentioned that one of our participants, Miss Ariel Middleton won silver in woman's shot, put in the Paralympic game. Mr. Kim stated in response to the adverse heat weather that we are experiencing throughout the City. RAP is supporting the activation of augmented cooling centers at 6 locations from 10 am to 9 pm. Mr. Kim mentioned all City facilities that are public facing can be used for places of refuge from the heat during normal operating hours.

Mr. Kim stated that RAP has extended 7 seasonal pools that will be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 pm to 5 pm up until September 29th. The seven sites are North Hollywood, Valley Plaza, Sylmar, Ritchie Valens, Hansen Damn, Pan Pacific and Harbor. He also mentioned we have 22 year-round pools that are open throughout the City.

Mr. Kim provided a few general updates. He mentioned the wall at Griffith Park, Rap staff has reported back that before we can proceed with any repairs, a geotechnical survey and an historic evaluation and structural assessment needs to be completed. These assessments are essential to ensure the integrity and safety of the repair plan. So, we're in the process of identifying necessary funds for the project

Mr. Kim stated as you may have heard. The city will be hosting the 2,028 Olympics here in Los Angeles, and as part of that endeavor. The department will be hosting two different venues specifically at RAP property. The first one is the Sepulveda Basin, and the second is our Exposition Center. The department is currently working on finalizing the venue use agreements with LA28, and we should be coming to the board in the near future to talk about the agreements that we have in place, as well as all the different types of opportunities that we'll see from these agreements.

Mr. Kim provided a brief update on the PlayLA summer camps participation.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments on matters within the Board's jurisdiction were invited, 8 such requests were submitted.

BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS

Public comments relevant to the Board Reports were requested; 13 such requests were submitted.

BOARD REPORTS

24-183 Cheviot Hollywood Museum Collection – Termination of Loan Agreement No. 2386 with FIDM Museum and Library, Inc.

Melissa Bettis, Management Analyst, Special Operations Branch, presented Board Report No. 24-183.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-184 Lincoln Heights Youth Center Complex – Approval of Proposed Standard Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 [Operation, Repair, Maintenance, Permitting, Leasing, Licensing, or Minor Alteration of Existing Public or Private Structures, Facilities, Mechanical Equipment, or Topographical Features, Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Existing or Former Use] of California CEQA

Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(14) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 24-184 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-185 Ernest E. Debs Regional Park – Restroom Replacement (PRJ21571) Project – Modification of Scope of Work – Categorically Exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(l)(4) [Demolition and Removal of Individual Small Accessory (Appurtenant) Structures Including Garages, Carports, Patios, Swimming Pools, and Fences] and Section 15303(e) [New Construction of Accessory (Appurtenant) Structures Including Garages, Carports, Patios, Swimming Pools, and Fences] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(11d) and Class 3(6) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 24-185 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-186 Wilmington Athletic Complex – Site Accessibility Improvements (PRJ21731) Project – Approval of Scope of Work – Donation from Los Angeles Parks Foundation Consisting of the Purchase and Installation of Playground and Bleachers – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15301(a) [Interior or Exterior Alterations Involving Such Things as Interior Partitions, Plumbing, and Electrical Conveyances]; 15301(b) [Operation, Repair, Maintenance or Minor Alterations of Existing Facilities of Both Investor and Publicly Owned Utilities Used to Provide Electric Power, Natural Gas, Sewerage, or Other Public Utility Services]; 15301(c) [Operation, Repair, Maintenance or Minor Alterations of Existing Highways and Streets, Sidewalks, Gutters, Bicycle and Pedestrian Trails, and Similar Facilities]; 15301(d) [Restoration or Rehabilitation of Deteriorated or Damaged Structures, Facilities, or Mechanical Equipment to Meet Current Standards of Public Health and Safety]; 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities Where the New Structure Will Be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and Have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity] and 15303(e) [Construction and Location of Accessory (Appurtenant) Structures Including Garages, Carports, Patios, Swimming Pools, and Fences] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Classes 1(1), 1(2), 1(3), 2 and 3(6) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 24-186 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-187 Tobias Park – Playground and Perimeter Fencing Project (PRJ21796) Project – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality

Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities Where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and Have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity], Section 15303(e) [New Construction of Accessory (Appurtenant) Structures Including Garages, Carports, Patios, Swimming Pools, and Fences] and Section 15304(b) [New Gardening or Landscaping, Including the Replacement of Existing Conventional Landscaping with Water Efficient or Fire Resistant Landscaping] of California CEQA Guidelines And Article III, Section 1, Class 2, Class 3(6) and Class 4(3) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 24-187 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-188 Reseda Multipurpose Center – Approval of Proposed Amendment No. 1 to Lease Agreement No. C-109008 with OneGeneration, and Amended and Restated Memorandum of Lease; Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 [Permitting, Leasing, Licensing, or Minor Alteration of Existing Public or Private Structures, Facilities, Mechanical Equipment, or Topographical Features, Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Existing or Former Use] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(14) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 24-188 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-189 Brand Park – Proposed City Trunk Line North Unit 1 Project – Grant of Right for Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of Water Pipeline – Consideration of City Trunk Line North Project Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) (State Clearinghouse Number 2019011013) and its Addendum

Board Report No. 24-189 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-190 Hansen Dam Recreation Area – Discovery Cube Los Angeles Courtyard Carousel Canopy Project – Approval of Final Plans – Adoption of Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH Number 2024070697) and Related Findings Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Darryl Ford, Superintendent, Planning, Maintenance & Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 24-190.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-191 As-Needed Tree Pruning and Removal / Urban Forestry Consulting and Tree Inventory Data Collection Services

Sergio Montero, Management Assistant, Finance Administration Branch, presented Board Report No. 24-191.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-192 As-Needed Park Facilities Consultant Services – Award of Contracts

Board Report No. 24-192 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-193 California Department of Social Services (CDSS) 2024-25 General Child Care and Development Program – Acceptance of Grant Contract Terms and Conditions: Acceptance of Grand Fund, if Awarded

Board Report No. 24-193 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-194 Pico-Union Cesar Chavez Community Garden – Agreement with CultivaLA, Inc. for the Community Garden’s Operation and Maintenance – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 [Operation, Repair, Maintenance, Permitting, Leasing, Licensing, or Minor Alteration of Existing Public or Private Structures, Facilities, Mechanical Equipment, or Topographical Features, Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Existing or Former Use] and Section 15304 [Minor Public or Private Alterations in the Condition of Land, Water, and/or Vegetation which Do Not Involve Removal of Healthy, Mature, Scenic Trees Except for Forestry or Agricultural Purposes] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 4(7) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 24-194 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-195 Potrero Canyon Park – Landscaping (W.O. E1908635) Project – Contract No. 3799 – Final Acceptance, Authority to Negotiate and Execute the Final Closeout Change Order, and Release of Retention

Board Report No. 24-195 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

24-196

Agreement with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation and Angel City FC, Inc. for the Acceptance of Funding and In-Kind Support for Department of Recreation and Parks Girls Play Los Angeles Program

Veronica Polanco, Sr. Project Coordinator, Recreation Services Branch, presented Board Report No. 24-196.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

President Simril requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports that were taken on Consent 24-184, 24-185, 24-186, 24-187, 24-188, 24-189, 24-192, 24-193, 24-194 and 24-195 . It was moved by Vice President Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Hutton recused herself on the vote of board item 24-189. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 4-0 on item 24-189.

President Simril requested a Motion to approve Board Reports 24-183, 24-190, 24-191 and 24-196 as presented. It was moved by Vice President Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Lloyd. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 5-0.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENTS

Discussion with Neighborhood Council Representatives on Neighborhood Council Resolutions or Community Impact Statements Filed with the City Clerk Relative to Any Item Listed or Being Considered on this Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners Meeting Agenda (Los Angeles Administrative Code 22.819; Ordinance 184243)

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

COMMISSION TASK FORCE UPDATES

Commission Task Force on Concessions

This Task force did not meet.

Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance

This Task force will meet today after the regular meeting and will provide an update at the next Regular meeting.

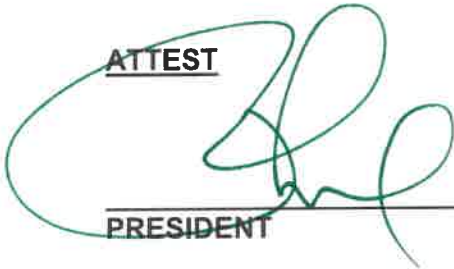
COMMISSION BUSINESS

Comments from the Commissioners on Matters within the Board's jurisdiction and Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items were requested. President Simril requested a report back on the Elysian Park tree removal. President Simril also requested an update on the the global coaching policy and the coach situation at Sylmar Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY