



CITY of OAKLAND
OFFICE of PARKS & RECREATION

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
City of Oakland
Wednesday, March 11, 2009, 4:30 P.M.
Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was held on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue in Oakland. Commissioner Taylor convened the meeting at 4:39 p.m. Gail McMillon, Assistant Secretary to the Commission conducted the roll call. A quorum was present.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Victor Arceneaux, Brad Ricards, Michael Hammock, Howard Matis, Susan Montauk, Benjamin Scott, Jeff Taylor, Calvin Wong
Absent: Osagie Enabulele (excused)
Staff Present: Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Toni Martinez-Villarante, Gail McMillon, Alaina Fuglestad, Isaac Ruelas, Gemeny Givens, Megan Seccombe, Renee Tucker, Michael Tatman, Kyle Winslow
Guests: Roberto Costa, Bonnie Henriquez, Kristi Holohan, Lily Kaplan, Krista Keim,

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the January 14, 2009 meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Taylor entertained a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Moved by: Commissioner Ricards; Seconded by Commissioner Hammock; Six Commissioners were in favor. Two Commissioner's abstained (Commissioner Matis and Commissioner Montauk). **Motion: Passed**

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

Audree V. Jones-Taylor introduced the Recreation Leader II PPT's (Alaina Fuglestad, Isaac Ruelas, Gemeny Givens, Megan Seccombe, Renee Tucker, Michael Tatman, Kyle Winslow) to the Commissioners.

5. PRAC PENDING LIST:

Please send names of possible nominee's to Toni Martinez-Villarante.

6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Items 10A, 12A, 12B, were moved up.

7. COMMUNICATIONS:

N/A

8. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

Commissioner Taylor is in the process of compiling the report and will e-mail it to Toni Martinez-Villarante when it's complete.

9. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Go over Committees and Advisory Councils.

10. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

N/A

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PRAC Report pending by Commissioner Taylor.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Request for Permission for Camps In Common to Host A Barbecue Fundraiser at Mosswood Recreation Center on Saturday, April 25, 2009:** John Hill, Mosswood Recreation Center Supervisor read the report received by OPR from Camps In Common (CIC), for permission to host a barbecue fundraiser at Mosswood Recreation Center on Saturday, April 25, 2009. Lily Kaplan from CIC answered questions and gave a brief background on Oakland's Feather River 85th year at Camps In Common. All funds received will be used as camperships for Oakland youth to enable them to attend programs at Oakland Feather River Camp (OFEC), in the summer of 2009. Last year CIC raised \$6,000 and were able to scholarship 15 children.

MOTION: Commissioner Taylor entertained the motion for Camps In Common to host a Barbecue Fundraiser at Mosswood Recreation Center on Saturday, April 25, 2009 and collect funds for scholarships for OFEC.

Moved by: Commissioner Hammock; **Seconded by:** Commissioner Scott. **Motion:** Passed Unanimously

- B. **Request for Permission for the Strategic Planning Committee of the Oakland, East Bay Garden Center, Inc.:** Gail McMillon read the staff report from The Strategic Planning Committee of the Oakland, East Bay Garden Center, Inc. to present and request approval for the following:

- Naming the garden area next to the Garden Center, "The Gardens at Lake Merritt".
- Approval of logo for The Gardens at Lake Merritt

And approval to put inviting banners at the gates describing the individual gardens. Bruce Cobbledick spoke about the garden area. He talked about having a potential fund raising event to draw interest to the gardens and put some kind of personality to the gardens to help pay for the materials. Gary Parker, President of Greenhart Global who designed the logo for the gardens talked about looking into the type of material that will be used for the signs so they can be cleaned off from potential graffiti.

MOTION: Commissioner Taylor entertained the motion to for the Strategic Planning Committee of the Oakland, East Bay Garden Center to go before Council and request the naming of the garden area next to the Garden Center, "The Gardens at Lake Merritt" and approval of the logo for The Gardens at Lake Merritt.

Moved by: Commissioner Montauk; **Seconded by:** Commissioner Scott. **Motion:** Passed Unanimously

13. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

N/A

14. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Audree V. Jones-Taylor had her budget meeting today. They took some things off that OPR put up. We had an opportunity to show a video about our staff. It told a story as to what OPR does for the community.

OPR still needs the support of the PRAC Commissioners to go to the Council meetings and speak on our behalf.

15. OPEN FORUM:

John Hill, Recreation Supervisor for Mosswood Recreation Center gave a brief update on the Mosswood Dog Park. He stated as soon as the dog prints are painted on the ground and the signs are up the community will be more conscientious. Dana Riley, Assistant to the Director will follow-up with ODOG.

Kristi Holohan requested a letter of support from the PRAC Commissioners. Toni Martinez-Villarante will prepare the letter and send it out.

Roberto Costa and Bonnie Henriquez talked about the Maxwell Park Mosaic Mural and will send PRAC a report to be put on next month's Agenda.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

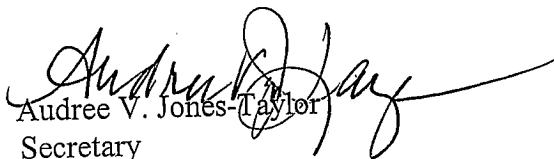
March 21st, OPR will be conducting interviews from 9a – 4p at 150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland for Rec Leader I & II PT, Rec Specialist I PT and II PT, Rec Aid PT, Rec Attendant I & II PT, Sports Official PT, Life Guard and Water Safety Instructor PT

March 28th, Laney College, The Mayor's 3rd Annual Track Meet.

17. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Audree V. Jones-Taylor
Secretary

Toni Martinez-Villarante
Recording Secretary