



CITY of OAKLAND
OFFICE of PARKS & RECREATION

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

City of Oakland

Wednesday, January 14, 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, January 14, 2009 at Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue in Oakland. Commissioner Taylor convened the meeting at 4:34 p.m. Audree V. Jones-Taylor Secretary to the Commission conducted the roll call. A quorum was present.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Victor Arceneaux, Osagie Enabulele (Late), Michael Hammock, Howard Matis, Susan Montauk, Brad Ricards, Jeff Taylor, Calvin Wong

Absent: Benjamin Scott

Staff Present: Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Toni Martinez-Villarante

Guests: Mikel McCaig, Tamara Morrish, David Ralston, Adonis Williams

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the December 14, 2008 meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Moved by: Commissioner Wong; Seconded by Commissioner Arceneaux; Six Commissioners were all in favor. Commissioner Matis abstained.

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

N/A

5. PRAC PENDING LIST:

N/A

6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Due to the current situation regarding the Oakland riots; today's PRAC meeting will be cut short and move up 12A, 12B, 10A

7. COMMUNICATIONS:

N/A

8. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

N/A

9. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

N/A

10. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

N/A

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PRAC Report pending by Commissioner Taylor. We are a year behind and Audree V. Jones-Taylor needs to inform the agenda coordinators as to when the report will be turned in.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request to settle and resolve a dispute at Dimond Park: which involves the adjacent owners allegation that they had established an easement by prescription across the proposed licensed area prior to the City's acquisition of the property for park land. The City is requesting the sale of the property subject the terms and conditions of a Purchase and Sales Agreement and the Hartings – Cordray agree that they will buy the property in order to such settlement and resolution to the dispute: Bill Wilkins from Real Estate gave a brief overview and answered Commissioners questions.

Motion: To approve the request from the City and the adjacent property owners to sell the property approximately 2000 square feet in the area and is located along the westerly edge of Dimond Park adjacent to the easterly edge of the Licensees property at 4683 Benevides Avenue, Oakland.

Moved by: Commissioner Hammock, Seconded by: Commissioner Arceneaux. Passed Unanimously.

- B. Request to Review Proposed Aesthetic Additions to Existing Park Facility at Cesar Chavez Park: David Ralston with CEDA Staff requests the PRAC Committee to endorse a proposed aesthetic addition (art-mural backdrop) to the previously approved June 14th, 2006 PRAC approval and constructed community deck at Cesar Chavez Park in the Fruitvale. This project is being sponsored by the Unity Council, the AmeriCorps, the Redevelopment Agency, OUSD, and KQED and local neighborhood volunteers. Mikel McCaig with the Fremont Construction Academy spoke on the framework on how the project plans to suspend the panels. Adonis Williams, a student from Fremont High School spoke about the murals and how the erecting of these murals are creating unity, diversity among the community.

Motion: To approve this proposal and associated "Right of Entry" for these aesthetic "gift-in-place" augmentations to Cesar Chavez Park. This endorsement will enable specific plans and details to be submitted to Planning and Building for final review and approval.

Moved by: Commissioner Arceneaux, Seconded by: Commissioner Hammock. Passed Unanimously

- C. Request to Review the California Brain Injury Association for Permission to Collect Registration Fees and Donations During the Fundraising Walk at Lakeside Park on Saturday, March 28, 2009: Gail McMillon spoke on behalf of the CALBIA requesting to collect registration fees and donations at the fundraising walk at Lakeside Park on Saturday, March 28, 2009. Registration fees will be \$25 per person. Collection of registration fees will be from individuals that did not pre-register and collection of donations will be from individuals who may not participate in the walk but want to help with the work of the CALBIA. A report on how the fund raising event went, along with a fiscal update was requested by PRAC after the fund raising event.

MOTION: To Approve CALBIA's request for permission to collect registration fees and donations at Lakeside Park on Saturday, March 28, 2009 and submit a financial report to the Central Reservations Unit by April 30, 2009. Moved by: Commissioner Ricards, Seconded by: Enabulele. Passed Unanimously.

D. Request from the Anthony Chabot Elementary School to host a fundraising auction dinner at the Lakeside Garden Center on Saturday, March 21, 2009: Tamara Morrisa PTA President from the Anthony Chabot Elementary School spoke about hosting a fundraising auction dinner at the Lakeside Park Garden Center on Saturday, March 21, 2009. The proceeds from the auction will be used primarily for their enrichment programs that include music, art, Spanish, library, technology and garden. Teachers will also receive support for classroom supplies, students in need will receive extra educational support and some families will receive assistance with educational and family issues.

MOTION: To approve Anthony Chabot Elementary School's request to host a fundraising auction dinner and submit a financial report to the Central Reservations Unit by April 30, 2009. Moved by: Commissioner Enabulele, Seconded by: Ricards. Passed Unanimously.

13. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

N/A

14. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

N/A

15. OPEN FORUM:

N/A

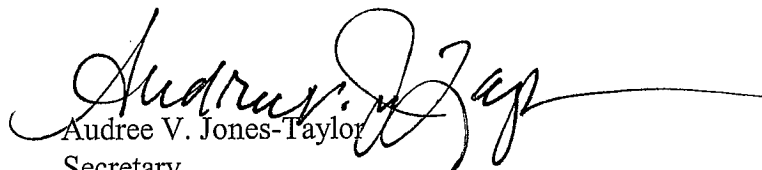
16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

N/A

17. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Audree V. Jones-Taylor
Secretary

Toni Martinez-Villarante
Recording Secretary