



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

City of Oakland

Wednesday, October 9, 2013 4:30 P.M.

Lake Merritt Garden Center, 666 Bellevue, Oakland, CA

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL:

BELCHER, DU BOIS, FLORES, KADERA-REDMOND, MARSHALL, MILLER, PETERSON, ROSENBLOOM, SELNA, WU

Present: Dubois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Petersen, Selna,

Excused: Belcher, Wu

City Staff: Diane Boyd, Gail McMillon, Dana Riley, Donte Watson, Valorie Winn

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

September 11, 2013 meeting minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the September 11, 2013 meeting minutes pending the addition of Commissioner Selna's amendment to the recommendation for Conditional Use Permit - Item 9A. **Moved by:** Commissioner Peterson
Seconded by: Commissioner Selna **Motion: Passed**

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

5. PRAC PENDING LIST:

6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

7. CONSENT NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request Approval for Youth Speaks to Host the Life is Living Festival at deFremery Park and to Allow Vendors to Sell Food and Non-Food Item on Saturday October 12, 2013 The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed a request from the Life is Living Festival organizers to have food and non- food vendors at their event on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at de Fremery Park. Youth Speaks has held Life is Living Festival for five years at deFremery Park. Various platforms are made available for the youth to enjoy and express themselves including, Graffiti Battles, Spoken Word, Food Justice, Hip Hop Dream Stage, Eco-Empowerment Health and Wellness Fair and Skateboard competitions to name a few. People from all over the Bay Area have attended this festival and are anticipating this year's event.

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve Item 7A **Moved by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond **Seconded by:** Commissioner Rosenbloom **Motion: Passed**

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request for Approval to Dedicate a Bench Where Grand Avenue Meets the El Embarcadero Pathway to "Hollis Green 1954 - 2009 Mentor to Oakland Youth – Husband – Father – Educator" Dana Riley presented the staff report for Item 8A. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed a request from Ms. Leda Harrison who contacted the City requesting that an existing bench located where Grand Avenue meets the El Embarcadero pathway near the shore of Lake Merritt be dedicated to honor Mr. Hollis Green. The desired bench faces Lake Merritt / Grand Avenue and was recently placed through Measure DD improvements. Ms. Harrison will contribute \$800.00 for the purchase and installation of the plaque for the dedication of the bench.

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the request to dedicate a bench located where Grand Avenue meets the el Embarcadero pathway to "Hollis Green 1954 – 2009 Mentor to Oakland Youth – Husband – Father – Educator"

Moved by: Commissioner Flores **Seconded by:** Commissioner Marshall **Motion: Passed**

- B. Warriors Unite Festival, LLC Request Approval for the Onsite Sale and Collection of Fees for Performance Tickets and Vending of Food and Artistic Ware at Their October Dance Competition Donte Watson presented the staff report for Item 8B. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed a request from Warriors Unite Festival LLC , a local Tongan/Polynesian cultural organization seeking permission to collect fees at their festival and performance on October 18 and 19, 2013. The Cultural festival will be held at Ira Jinkins Recreation Center and Bill Patterson Park in partnership with their fiscal sponsor, Sexually Minority Alliance of Alameda County (SMAAC Youth Center). The festival was organized in honor of the visiting Tongan Royal Family.

The Commission raised concern that armed non-police officers would be on the property. Event organizers confirmed that their security team was licensed through the California Bureau of Security and Investigative Services and the Oakland Police Department were made aware through the required Special Event permit. Tickets were sold for \$25.00 or \$35.00 at the door. Activities are free other than the concert. The Native American Health Clinic will provide health screenings to include diabetes and HIV/AIDS.

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the request to collect fees for festival tickets and to host food and non-food vendors at the October 18 and 19, 2013 Dance Competition. **Moved by:** Commissioner Marshall **Seconded by:** Commissioner Selna **Motion: Passed**

- C. **Request From The Redwood Heights Elementary School PTA For Permission To Collect Funds At Joaquin Miller Community Center For A School Auction Fundraiser On Saturday, December 7, 2013** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission heard the staff report on Item 8C presented by Gail McMillon. The Redwood Heights Elementary School PTA, a 501c (3) non-profit organization, requested permission to collect funds at the Redwood Heights School's auction and fundraiser to be held at Joaquin Miller Community Center on Saturday, December 7, 2013. Proceeds from the event will provide ongoing resources to support programs at the school. Organizers changed the venue from Mill College, where it was held for the past decade to Joaquin Miller Community Center in an effort to generate more interest and participation.

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approved the request from the Redwood Heights Elementary School's PTA to collect funds onsite at their auction fundraiser at the Joaquin Miller Community Center, on Saturday, December 7, 2103. **Moved by:** Commissioner Marshall **Seconded by:** Commissioner Peterson, **Motion: Passed**

- D. **Request Approval for the Friends of deFremery Park to Host Two Crab Feeds at deFremery Center on Saturday, December 7, 2013 and Saturday, March 1, 2014** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission heard the staff report for Item 8D presented by Valorie Winn on behalf of Friends of deFremery Park. The organization was seeking permission to host their Crab Feed events on, Saturday, December 7, 2013 and Saturday, March 1, 2014 at the deFremery Center. These all you can eat events are open to the public for \$60.00 per participant. Tickets will be sold prior to the event dates, and will also be sold at the door. These will be the first Crab Feed fundraising events for deFremery. Proceeds will be used to purchase items for the Center, provide scholarships, and to organize field trips designed to expose and introduce the Center's young participants to other parts of the City and Bay Area.

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the request from the Friends of deFremery to host their Crab Feed events on December 7, 2013 and Saturday, March 1, 2014. **Moved by:** Commissioner Peterson **Seconded by:** Commissioner Selna **Motion: Passed**

- E. **Request for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to Grant Approval for Installation of Four Mural Panels on the Fence at deFremery Park for the "Reflection of Healing Project" at the Life is Living Festival on Saturday, October 12, 2013** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission heard the staff report for Item 8E, presented by Valorie Winn. Staff requested the Commission's approval to allow local and internationally known artist, Brett Cook, to install four large murals on the fence at deFremery Park. These murals are of four West Oakland community members; Phyllis Lun, former center director at deFremery and current active member on Friends of deFremery board; Kokomon Clottey, founder of Attitudinal Healing Connection (AHC); Keith Williams, known as K-Dub the volunteer that spends 30 plus hours per week at deFremery's skate park, and Tarika Lewis, California's premier jazz violinist. The unveiling and installation of the art was schedule to take place during the Life is Living Festival on October 12, 2013. The local community was invited to participate in the creation of the artwork. Mr. Clark is responsible for all costs associated with the installation and maintenance of the four panels which are expected to be in place for 3 to 10 years.

MOTION: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation for installation of the four Reflection of Healing Project panels on the fence at deFremery Park on Saturday, October 12, 2013. **Moved by:** Commissioner Peterson **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond, **Motion: Passed**

9. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

Temescal Pool: Staff not sure if pool could be rented. OPR may consider marketing campaign via website and flyer distribution

11. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

12. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

14. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

15. OPEN FORUM:

Former County Supervisor, Gail Steele spoke at Open Forum announcing her donation of a statue to be dedicated in the memory of Oakland children who have lost their lives to violence. Office of Parks and Recreation staff will follow-up.

16. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Planning Department staff has an item to present to the PRAC in December and is unable to attend the December 11th meeting as their Planning Commission meets at the same time. In order to accommodate their presentation the Office of Parks and Recreation and PRAC members agreed to change to meeting to December 4, 2013.

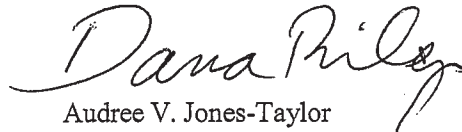
17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

18. ADJOURNMENT: 5:46pm

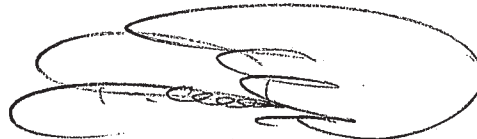
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Respectfully submitted,

Dana Riley
for



Audree V. Jones-Taylor
Secretary



Diane Boyd
Recording Secretary

Next Meeting: **Wednesday, November 13, 2013 – 4:30 p.m.**
Lakeside Garden Center
666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA