



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

City of Oakland

Wednesday, November 4, 2015

Lake Merritt Garden, 666 Bellevue Avenue

4:30pm

****Special Meeting****

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER:
2. ROLL CALL:
BELCHER, CORBIN, DU BOIS, KADERA-REDMOND, MANNING, MARSHALL, MILLER, PETERSON, ROSENBLOOM, SELNA, WU
3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:
 - Wednesday, May 13, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
 - Wednesday, July 8, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
 - Wednesday, September 16, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
 - Wednesday, October 14, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
4. SPECIAL ORDERS:
5. PRAC PENDING LIST:
6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:
7. CONSENT NEW BUSINESS:
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO NAME RAINBOW RECREATION CENTER GYM AFTER FORMER GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS PLAYER JASON RICHARDSON FOLLOWING RENOVATION OF THE GYM BY THE GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS.**

The Golden State Warriors have selected the Rainbow Recreation Center gym for renovation and request the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission approval to name the renovated courts after former Golden State Warrior Jason Richardson. The resolution for the gift of in-kind services will be presented to Council on November 19, 2015. In order to receive this donation, the City must facilitate the completion of the project by the funders required deadline of December 18, 2015. OPR recommends that PRAC approve the name change to accompany the gift of in-kind services and renovation.
 - B. **REQUEST TO FORM A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW EXISTING RULES AND ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO SIGNAGE IN PARKS AND HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE COMMUNITY.**

This is a request to form a task force to review potential ordinance changes for the park rules and signage as it relates to park regulations, hours of operation, grilling, children play areas, park pathways, private groups and other park rule signage.
9. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS
10. COMMUNICATIONS:
11. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

12. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

14. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

15. OPEN FORUM:

16. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- PRAC Voting Requirements

Staff recommends that the City Council: Adopt An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 8065 C.M.S. And Ordinance No. 11731 To Amend The Rules And Procedures Of The Parks And Recreation Advisory Commission To Change The Vote Required To Adopt Motions From Six (6) To A Majority Of The Members Present And Voting.

17. ADJOURNMENT:

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Next Meeting:

*****Special Meeting*****

Wednesday, November 18, 4:30 p.m.

Lakeside Garden Center

666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA



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City of Oakland
Wednesday, May 13, 2015
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4:30pm

Draft Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:35pm

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Present: Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna

Arrivals: Wu (4:38)

Excused: DuBois, Flores and Peterson

Staff: Parks and Recreation – Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Diane Boyd, Zermaine Thomas, Stephanie Benavidez, Karis Griffin, Elena Bermeo, Vinzuela Bolden: Neighborhood Services Division Coordinator – Hoang Banh: Council District 2 - Jennie Gerard

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

April 8, 2015 Draft Minutes

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the April 8, 2015 Draft Minutes. **Moved by:** Commissioner Rosenbloom. **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom and Selna.
Motion: Passed

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

5. PRAC PENDING LIST:

6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

7. CONSENT NEW BUSINESS:

- A. REQUEST FROM PREVENTION INTERNATIONAL: NO CERVICAL CANCER FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT REGISTRATION FEES, DONATIONS AND SELL EVENT-RELATED ITEMS ON-SITE AT LAKESIDE PARK ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2015. Oakland Parks and Recreation received a request from Prevention International: No Cervical Cancer (PINCC), a non-profit organization, for permission to collect on-site donations, registration fees and sell event-related items at their “Walk for Women of Africa” Walkathon on Saturday, September 19, 2015, at Lakeside Park. The funds raised will support African clinics that will benefit thousands of women by reducing their chances of developing cervical cancer.

- B. REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT REGISTRATION FEES, VENDOR TO SELL EVENT RELATED ITEMS AND MOBILE FOOD TRUCKS AT THE 11TH ANNUAL FAITH FANCHER BREAST CANCER CHALLENGE WALK/RUN AT LAKESIDE PARK ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2015.** Parks and Recreation received a request from the Friends of Faith, Inc. (FOFI), a non-profit organization, for permission to collect registration fees, allow vendors sales and mobile food vendors at the 11th Annual Faith Fancher Breast Cancer Challenge Walk/Run at Lakeside Park on Saturday, August 22, 2015. The funds raised will help provide health services support to breast cancer survivors and to share information about the importance of early detection. The 2014 Post Event Report is attached.
- C. REQUEST FROM THE EAST BAY FRONT RUNNERS AND WALKERS FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT ON-SITE REGISTRATION FEES AND SELL ONE MERCHANDISE ITEM DURING THE PRIDE RUN/WALK AT LAKESIDE PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2015.** Oakland Parks and Recreation received a request from the East Bay Front Runners and Walkers, a 501c3 non-profit organization, for permission to collect on-site registration fees and sell one merchandise item during the 5K and 10K Pride Run/Walk at Lakeside Park on Saturday, October 10, 2015. The limited merchandise is a pair of socks bearing the club's initials. Proceeds raised from the event will be donated to several local non-profit organizations. A Post Event Report from the 2014 Pride Run/Walk is attached.
- D. REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO GRANT PERMISSION TO ALLOW COMMUNITY MERCHANDISE AND FOOD VENDORS COLLECT DONATIONS ON SITE AT THE EASTSIDE ARTS ALLIANCE'S MALCOLM X JAZZ FESTIVAL AT SAN ANTONIO PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2015.** Oakland Parks and Recreation received a request from Elena Serrano, Program Director for Eastside Arts Alliance, for permission to have community merchandise and food vendors collect donations at the 15th Annual Malcolm X Jazz Festival at San Antonio Park on Saturday, May 18, 2015. The funds raised will be used to cover the costs of presenting the festival, e.g. stage rental, clean-up, tables/chairs, etc.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the Consent New Business Items 7A – 7D. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote: Yes** - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. REQUEST TO ALLOW A CAMERA TRAPPING STUDY TO BE PLACED IN JOAQUIN MILLER OPEN SPACE FOR A MOUNTAIN LION RESEARCH PROJECT BY FELIDAE CONSERVATION FUND:** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8A presented by Stephanie Benavidez, Naturalist and Open Spaces Specialist with Parks and Recreation. In June 2010 a 100 pound mountain lion was struck and killed at the Joaquin Miller exit of 13. Since that time, verified reports of what is known as deer caches have been found in Joaquin Miller and Dunsmuir Ridge Open Spaces. With fragmented wildlife corridors in the Oakland/ Berkeley hills and drought issues drawing animals to water sources to fountains and pools in backyards, it is imperative to account for the movements of these wild creatures and educate

the public properly without giving rise to panic. Residents are multi users of recreational activities that may encroach in areas where a cougar may be residing.

Through the collection of data and images, this 10 year research project will give a larger picture overall of the Bay Area movement of these cats, as well as shine light on their pathways and travels through Oakland's open spaces. Notices of the project will be posted and all images of humans will be deleted. The analysis will be shared with the public for educational purposes and is not intended to recommend people not use the land. Cal Trans relies on the data from the study along with EBMUD and 17 other agencies and municipalities in the region. Researchers are approximately 3 years into the study and will begin generating reports in 6 months to a year.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow a camera trapping study to be placed in Joaquin Miller open space for a mountain lion research project by Felidae Conservation Fund. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Second by:** Commissioner Selna. **Vote: Yes** - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

- B. **REQUEST FROM ADOPT A SPECIAL KID (AASK)/LILLIPUT CHILDREN SERVICES FOR PERMISSION TO HOST A FUNDRAISING 5K RUN/WALK BY ACCEPTING ON-SITE REGISTRATION AND DONATION FEES AT LAKESIDE PARK ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2015.** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8B presented by Zermaine Thomas from Central Reservations with Parks and Recreation. Oakland Parks and Recreation received a request from Adopt A Special Kid(AASK)/Lilliput Children Services, non-profit organizations, to host a fundraising walk by collecting on-site registration and donation fees at their 3rd Annual 5K Fun Run/Walk for AASK/Lilliput Child Services at Lakeside Park on Saturday, August 1, 2015. Funds raised will help support the AASK/Lilliput Child Services programs which serve children who are transferred from foster care and placed into adoptive homes. A Post Event Report from 2014; 5K Fun Run is attached.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow organizers of Adopt A Special Kid/Lilliput Child Services s collect on-site registration and donation fees at their 3rd Annual Family Fun Run/Walk at Lakeside Park on Saturday, August 1, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Second by:** Commissioner Marshall. **Vote: Yes** - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

- C. **REQUEST FROM OAKLAND ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS (OAR) FOR PERMISSION TO HOST A FUNDRAISING WALK-A-THON ON BEHALF OF THE ORAL LEE BROWN FOUNDATION BY ACCEPTING ON-SITE REGISTRATION AND DONATION FEES AT LAKESIDE PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2015** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8C presented by Zermaine Thomas from Central Reservations with Parks and Recreation. Oakland Parks and Recreation received a request from Oakland/Berkeley Association of Realtors and the Oral Lee Brown Foundation, to host a fundraising walk-a-thon by collecting on-site registration fees and donation at Lakeside Park on Saturday, October 3, 2015. Funds raised will support the Oral Lee

Brown Foundation's goal of fully funding the college tuition of disadvantaged and underprivileged youth in the Oakland community. This is the second presentation and request to the Commission by these organizations.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation and allow the Oakland Association of Realtors (ORA) to collect on-site registration fees and donations at their walk-a-thon at Lakeside Park on Saturday, October 3, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

D. REQUEST THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION ACCEPT THE INFORMATIONAL REPORT REGARDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT RAIMONDI PARK.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8D presented by Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Director of Parks and Recreation. As a result of significant budget cuts, OPR has had to initiate creative avenues to increase revenues for the capital improvements needed in Oakland's parks. By partnering with its users, community non-profits and businesses, OPR can better sustain its parks and sports fields to ensure safe and community oriented environments.

Under this proposed agreement, Phase II of the renovation at Raimondi Park would include construction and surfacing of a second multi-purpose field with artificial turf and revitalization of the putting green with artificial turf.

The Jack London Youth Soccer League East Bay United Chapter will execute an anonymous gift in place not to exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000) through fiscal agent Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation, formerly known as Friends of Oakland Parks and Recreation (Friends).

Shimmick Construction Company will act as the general contractor for Phase IIA for the capital improvements at Raimondi Park and will provide In-kind services not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). In addition, a gift in place construction contract of one dollar (\$1) will be put in place and advertising and bidding requirements waived.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to accept the Informational Report regarding the capital improvement project at Raimondi Park and support the Gift in Place, In-Kind Services, and License Agreement for approval by the City Council on June 2, 2015 and June 9, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Selna. **Second by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

E. REQUEST FOR PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION APPROVAL OF SOLICITATION OF FEES FOR FOOD CONCESSIONS AND SALES OF GOODS AND WARES FOR OAKLAND CARNIVAL 2015 COMMUNITY WELLNESS FESTIVAL AT MOSSWOOD PARK.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8E presented by Karis Griffin, Director of Cultural Arts with Parks and Recreation.

This is Oakland Carnival's annual free community festival held at Mosswood Park on May 25th from 12pm to 7pm. Oakland Carnival Festival & Parade is a cultural community festival

featuring the musical and artistic traditions of Carnivals throughout the African Diaspora; including the Caribbean, South, Central and North America. Carnival is rich culturally and highly celebrated in Brazil, Trinidad, the Americas and places all over the World.

Staff suggested that the event be approved provided that all documents are received by May 15th. The application for the event was paid in full and submitted to Central Reservations. Outstanding documents include proof of insurance, waste management, verification of portable restrooms and others.

Theo Williams – Event Organizer

The post evaluation from 2014 was not included in the application to staff. Mr. Williams requested to distribute an official version of the evaluation document to the body. The 2014 event did not include food vendors which will be involved this year. The Commission was informed that food vendors/trucks would have to carry individual permits and not set-up on park property. Approximately 300 – 500 attended the 2014 event. The proposed event will include a community wellness component to the exclusion of alcohol. Organizers were unable to secure funding from the City's Cultural Arts Fund, but received financial support from a private foundation and Council District 3, as well as other community organizations. According to the organizer all documents have been submitted.

The Commission expressed concern that event planners submitted their proposal letter (dated April 22, 2015) for the project so late in the process.

According to staff, the seven outstanding items listed under Recommendations on the staff report were not received. Prior to the evening's meeting, staff gave the event planners until Friday, May 15th to complete the required documentation.

The event organizer informed the Commission that waste management and portable restroom services were arranged and offered to show verification via email, but stated the staff deadline date of May 15th was still in place.

Director Jones-Taylor reminded staff that all required documentation must be included with the staff report for the Commission's review, and completed including the special event approval and permit by OPD.

Regarding food trucks, the Director received clarification that staff had not received a list of event vendors, and that food truck vendors could not be on city

park property without the completing the proper process and securing the necessary permits.

The event organizer clarified that the request for approval now excluded food vendors as the late date made it improbable to secure them for participation in the park. However, if able to secure them, food truck vendors would be posted off park property.

The Director informed the event organizer that the City had a policy regarding food trucks and that those vendors should be advised of to avoid any conflict.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow the Oakland Carnival Festival organizers to solicit fees for food, concessions and sales of goods and wares by vendors at their May 25, 2015 event at Mosswood Park. This consideration is contingent upon staff receipt of all seven (7) documents listed on the staff report (See Recommendation) no later than 5pm on May 15, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

- F. **RECOMMENDATION: STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (PRAC) ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE WHICH INCLUDES CITY OFFICIALS FROM OAKLAND PARKS AND RECREATION, OAKLAND PUBLIC WORKS, OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT, PARK PATRONS, OAKLAND RESIDENTS AND PRAC MEMBERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A POLICY REGARDING GRILLING IN OAKLAND CITY PARKS, WITH THE PRIORITY BEING LAKESIDE PARK.** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8F presented by Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Director of Parks and Recreation. As the City prepares for another exciting spring and summer, it is critical that Oakland Parks and Recreation (OPR) and City officials are ready to meet the challenges of heavy use and grilling in City parks.

The Director recognized Jennie Gerard from Councilmember Guillen's office – District 2. member, Jennie Gerard and their partnership and conversations on the issues regarding the issues of parks use and grilling at Lakeside Park.

Lakeside Parks has been made as there have been many complaints from area residents regarding nuisance behavior and park violations. OPR has collected input from community focus groups over a 9 month period which includes grilling in Oakland City Parks, but has not established a solid policy. The ordinance reads patrons can grill in areas designated by the Commission. Director Jones-Taylor requested the Commission to approve this request to form the task force in order to access Lakeside Park and to designate areas for grilling. OPR has developed a brochure which describes the process for park use and requesting permits. In a response to public complaints OPD cruisers and bike officers have been patrolling Lakeside Park informing patrons that grilling is not allowed. The Director requested expedient formation of the task force to determine policies governing grilling so that the public can be informed and to establish guideline should OPD need to issue citations. The Commission was asked to reference the staff

report and to consider the information and recommendations gathered from the community focus group meetings recorded in the report when drafting park policies on the subject.

Speaker Comments:

- Support task force because it includes the community input.
- There is a growing diverse group of people enjoying the Lake Merritt and Lakeside Park and is very popular on Sundays
- Park patrons are taking advantage and pleasure in the benefits from the Measure DD improvements
- There are problems with people behaving badly
- Increased popularity is having a negative impact on wildlife.
- The community would like the task force to make policies for patrons who just want to picnic
- Mitigate issue of excessive trash and hot coals dumping by including additional waste receptacles and coal bins in the new plans – consider trash compactors
- A comprehensive policy this will allow OPD to cite those who are behaving badly and to correct behavior
- Use of Lake Merritt has grown significantly and is creating noise and air pollution, public urination, public drinking
- Add bb pits near existing picnic tables
- Consider propane tanks rather than coal
- Must consider enforcement and Park Ranger program, advocate for funding
- Look at SF Park Patrol program and consider as training for new OPD officers
- Concerned the no regulation to regulation will be an issue – should not be a citation free-for-all or cash cow for the City
- Consider foot and bike officers rather than cruisers
- Do not lose the diversity around the Lake through citations
- Add more restrooms and/or portable restrooms
- People Behaving Badly video does not show parks users and residents gathering trash
- Business benefit from spill over visitors on Lake Merritt/Lakeside Park
- Area feels safer due to increased park use

Hoang Banh - Neighborhood Services Division Coordinator

From 2014 -2015, OPD has only distributed literature regarding park rules. No tickets or citations were issued until the beginning of May 2015, they include three main areas:

Lakeside park patrons are being cited for the following repeated violations:

- Excessive public drinking
- Public urination
- Excessive noise

Unfortunately, some residents have moved away from the area due public urination. To date, OPD has not issued tickets for barbecuing in Lakeside Park.

Director Jones-Taylor encouraged the public to visit the department's website to review staff report 8F.

Chair Miller:

PRAC subcommittee members Selna, Kadera-Redmond and DuBois have met several times on the subject.

Kadera-Redmond

There are many of concerns and issues regarding the subject. The subcommittee has walked the area to determine the best places for installing permanent grill. The committee is currently considering no coals grilling.

Commissioner Selna asked for clarification on establishing policy and dates for moving forward.

Director Jones-Taylor

Wants to establish one voice on the subject and bring all entities working separately together. Since PRAC has the authority to designate the areas it is not necessary to hold too many meetings to move forward. While OPR does not have a complete inventory of all park grills, the PRAC can begin the process of designation sites with Lakeside Park. OPD is not issuing citation for grilling and is waiting for PRAC's input. Ordinances for City Parks will not change.

Chair Miller asked for clarification regarding the level of staff support in meeting the challenges of completing the task necessary develop and issue the requested policy.

Director Jones-Taylor reported that OPR will take the lead on developing the task force and appointed Zermaine Thomas as the department's point of contact for Lakeside Park and will later designate staff for other parks.

Staff created and circulated a sign-up sheet for those interested in participating on the Grilling Task Force.

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation advisory

Note: Commissioner Marshall was not present for the vote.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the recommendation that Oakland Parks and Recreation establish a task force which includes officials from Oakland Parks and Recreation, Oakland Public Works, Oakland Police Department, park patrons, Oakland residents and PRAC members for the purpose of creating a policy regarding grilling in Oakland City Parks, with a focused priority on Lakeside Park and to report back on June 10, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher. **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu.
Motion: Passed

G. REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO RECOMMEND RENAMING THE NEW GOLDEN GATE RECREATION CENTER AFTER CHARLES PORTER. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8G presented by Vinzuela Bolden from Parks Recreation. Charles Porter served as a member of the Golden Gate Recreation Center Advisory Board where he advocated for programs and activities that would meet the needs of the local community. He was also a faithful member of the Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council Beat 10x (North Oakland Community) which met once a month at Golden Gate Recreation Center. Mr. Porter worked tirelessly on behalf of the children, youth and community to renovate the recreation center and dreamed of having a state-of-the-art facility that would expand programming to include cooking classes, a computer lab, performing arts, arts/crafts and sports and fitness programs. Mr. Porter met with architects, project managers, State of California officials and, often spoke at City Council meetings in an effort to ensure his vision of the renovations, and to secure the grants and funding necessary to complete the project. Mr. Porter often recalled his youth at the Golden Gate Recreation Center, and would refer to it as a “one room shack”, but praised the influence participating in the programming there had on his life. Mr. Porter was a hard working dedicated man who, even though ill, worked on behalf of his community. The newly renovated Golden Gate Recreation Center is scheduled to reopen in 2016.

Community Comments/Summary

Mr. Porter’s family moved to the Golden Gate neighborhood in 1946, attended Golden Gate School and played at the Golden Gate Recreation Center when it was new. His was one of the first Black families to move into the neighborhood. He worked with the city for over 3 decades to improve the conditions of the neighborhood including better business, lighting, landscaping and traffic improvements and the Golden Gate Recreation Center. Mr. Porter was so well loved that he was known as the “Mayor of San Pablo”.

He also worked on citywide projects as well and served on the CDBG Board, he was a founder of the local Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council (NCPC) and served on the Golden Gate Advisory Board for decades. He always sought funding for the children. When talk of remodeling the center was raised, Mr. Porter had a larger vision and recognized that children lost participation as they aged because of the lack of programming. He envisioned a state-of-the-art center with a stage, indoor basketball courts, and computer lab and more that could include older youth.

In spite of many delays and changes of architects, Mr. Porter worked with the community for over 30 years to have the Golden Gate Recreation Center renovated. He was instrumental in securing a total of eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) for the project; five million dollars

(\$5,000,000) from the State of California and three million dollars (\$3,000,000) from the Bushrod project. Mr. Porter was a tireless advocate for the Golden Gate community, and City of Oakland community at large.

Before his death in January of 2013, Mr. Porter hoped to have seen the Golden Gate Recreation Center's renovation.

Commission Comments Summary:

Learned that the community held several meeting regarding the center's name change and the Councilmember Kalb - District 1 supports the proposed name change. The community was directed to the PRAC then to City Council for final approval. The commission clarified the requested name change to be: the Charles Porter Golden Gate Recreation Center and subsequently learned that "Golden Gate" was left in the name as agree upon by the community.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to accept the request to rename the Golden Recreation Center to the **Charles Porter Golden Gate Recreation Center**. The request was made in honor of Charles and in memory of his dedication and service to the City of Oakland and the Golden Gate community. **Moved by:** Commissioner Wu. **Second by:** Commissioner Selna. **Vote: Yes** - Belcher, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu. **Motion:** Passed

9. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A letter to the Planning Commission was circulated for review.
- The Commission received an invitation from the Planning Commission to tour the Brooklyn Basin Project.

11. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

12. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Susan Montauk to present the Oakland Parks Coalition's State of the Parks report

14. COUNCIL REFERRALS:


15. OPEN FORUM:

16. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:


- Naming Rights – OPR will be going before the City Council requesting the adoption of a policy on naming rights, sponsorships and donations.
- Budget Update
 - Ball fields maintenance will be transferred to Oakland Public Works
 - No reductions to OPR's budget. 5 PPT positions will be frozen. The Oakland Zoo and the Chabot Space and Science will absorb the potential hit.
- 2015 Retreat – Staff will schedule for June or possibly for May 30th.
- Adult Recess – May 29th
- Green Tee – July 13th
- Intimate Evening July 25th
- Dads and Jazz – June 21st

17. ADJOURNMENT: 7:11pm

Respectfully submitted,



Audree V. Jones-Taylor
Secretary



Diane Boyd
Recording Secretary

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NOTE: The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will be on official recess from July 9, 2015 until September 8, 2015.

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Present: Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Marshall, Miller, Peterson, Wu

Arrivals: Kadera-Redmond (4:38)

Excused: Rosenbloom and Selna

Staff: Parks and Recreation – Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Dana Riley, Diane Boyd, Zermaine Thomas, Mark Hall, Karis Griffin and Gail McMillon, Harith Aleem and Tiffany Lai-Inouye: Council District 2 - Jennie Gerard

Chair Miller introduced nine visitors participating in President Obama's Young Africans Leadership Initiative (YALI). The participants are based at UC Berkeley's Goldman School of Public Policy for six weeks. As part of their academic, business and leadership development, each is partnered with, and shadows a City of Oakland Agency Director one full day weekly. The YALI participants represent nine different countries from Africa, whose work and interests ranged from human rights organizing and monitoring, legal representation, UN peace keeping, women and children's wellbeing, domestic violence, LGBT rights, and health and welfare.

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

- May 13, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes

Note: Approval of the draft minutes for the May 13, 2015 meeting was held over until the September meeting.

- June 10, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the draft minutes for the July 10, 2015 meeting. **Moved by:** Commissioner Peterson **Second by:** Commissioner DuBois

Vote: Yes - Belcher, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Peterson and Wu

Abstained: Flores **Motion:** Passed

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

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A. REQUEST FOR THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO ACCEPT AN INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE CAMRON STANFORD HOUSE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS.

Existing lack of public safety during evening use and the protection of the historic house and its grounds have been on-going concerns for the Camron-Stanford House Preservation Association (CSHPA), the governing organization for the Camron-Stanford House museum. Although there is excellent exterior lighting on the front and right side of the building, installed by the City during the Measure DD project, there is no night illumination on the back and left side of the building. This perpetuates unsafe conditions for people coming and going from the house at night. Also, vagrancy and fires around the building have long been issues.

Note: Item 8A was pull from the agenda by Parks and Recreation staff member Mark Hall. Representatives for the Camron Stanford House were unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Hall distributed the site plans to the Commission for consideration and preparation for when the item is reintroduced at the September meeting.

B. THE OMNIRA INSTITUTE IS REQUESTING THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION APPROVAL FOR VENDORS AND ON-SITE COLLECTION OF MONEY FOR ITEMS AND FOOD SOLD FOR THE BLACK EYED PEA FESTIVAL AT MOSSWOOD PARK ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2015.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report presented by Karis Griffin. The Omnira Institute plans to host their second annual free Black Eyed Pea Festival event on Saturday, September 12, 2015 from 11am to 5:30 pm at Mosswood Park. This event is expected to attract 500 or more attendees with its primary focus on Oakland and the East Bay. The Omnira Institute requested permission to allow vendors to sell services, merchandise, and food. A Post Event report was not prepared as the organizers did not request to approval to collect fees for exchange merchandise for funds at the 2014 event.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow organizers of the Black Eyed Pea Festival and vendors to collect fees and sell merchandise and food at the September 12, 2015 festival at Mosswood Park. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher **Second by:** Commissioner Marshall **Vote: Yes -** Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Peterson and Wu **Motion:**

C. REQUEST FROM FAMILY PATHS, INC. FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT FUNDS FOR A PRIZE DRAWING/RAFFLE TO RAISE ADDITIONAL FUNDS AT THEIR OAKLAND WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON AT THE LAKESIDE PARK GARDEN CENTER ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2015.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report presented by Zermaine Thomas. Family Paths, Inc. an Oakland-based non-profit, requested permission to collect funds for a prize drawing/raffle at their 4th Annual Women's Leadership Luncheon Fundraiser to be held on October 14, 2015 at the Lakeside Park Garden Center. This is Family Paths' 4th annual fundraiser and their first time hosting the event in the East Bay/Oakland Parks and Recreation.

Family Paths is an Oakland based organization and has provided support services to families caregivers and children for over 43 years. Support also includes a 24 hour English and Spanish speaking hotline and referral service. Funds will be used to continue and expand services.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow Family Paths, Inc. to collect funds for their raffle drawing at the Women's Leadership Luncheon on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at Lakeside Park and Garden Center. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher **Second by:** Commissioner Peterson **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller and Peterson **Motion:**

- D. **REQUEST FROM URBAN UNIVERSITY (UU) FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT FUNDS ON-SITE FOR ENTRY TICKET DOOR SALES, SALES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES (WINE/BEER), VENDOR SALES (GOODS, FOOD & PHOTOS), SALES OF RAFFLE TICKETS, COLLECTION OF MONIES FROM SILENT AUCTION AND COLLECTION OF TIPS FOR HIRED MUSICIANS (LIVE BAND AND DJ) AT THEIR 1ST ANNUAL A SUMMER WHITE PARTY FUNDRAISER HELD AT THE LAKESIDE PARK GARDEN CENTER ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015.** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report presented by Zermaine Thomas. Urban University, an Oakland-based non-profit requested permission to collect funds at the Lakeside Park and Garden Center at their 1st Annual - A Summer White Party Fundraiser on Saturday, August 29, 2015.

Urban University was established in 1994 to provide supportive services to low income single women with children moving from welfare to employment and has expanded their service delivery to hands on training through the Urban Furniture Store and Urban Boutique. Urban University also serves Oakland youth and has plans to launch its first housing initiative. Marketing plans to raise funds include outreach via Facebook, Eventbrite, radio stations 91.1 FM and 102.1 FM and leafleting neighborhoods and Farmers' Markets. The event will include an awards ceremony which will honor participants and community partners.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow Urban University to sell tickets, beer, wine, food, raffle tickets and photos and to collect silent auction proceeds and tips for the musical entertainers at their 1st Annual - A Summer White Party Fundraiser on August 29, 2015 at the Lake Merritt Garden Center. **Moved by:** Commissioner Wu **Second by:** Commissioner Marshall **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Peterson and Wu **Motion:**

- E. **REQUEST FROM THE EAST BAY INNOVATION ACADEMY (EBIA) FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT ON-SITE REGISTRATION FEES AND THE SALES OF RAFFLE TICKETS AT THEIR 5K FUN RUN/WALK AT LAKESIDE PARK (PERGOLA) ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2015.** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report presented by Zermaine Thomas. This is the first 5K event hosted by East Bay Innovation Academy (EBIA) at Lakeside Park and Oakland Park property. EBIA offers an alternative educational model focused on science, technology, engineering, art and math. Social and emotional skills needed in leadership are also addressed. Funds raised will directly benefit EBIA for their technology and operating costs.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approval the staff recommendation to allow the East Bay Innovation Academy (EBIA) to collect onsite registration fees and sell raffle tickets at their 5K Fun Run Walk event at Lakeside Park (Pergola) on Sunday, October 4, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Belcher **Second by:** Commissioner Marshall
Vote: Yes - Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Peterson and Wu
Motion:

F. **REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA PIEDMONT COUNCIL, BSA TO COLLECT FUNDS ON-SITE AT THEIR LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION AND TO SELL RAFFLE TICKETS AT THE FUNDRIASING PARTY AT THE LAKE MERRITT SAILBOAT HOUSE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report presented by Zermaine Thomas. The Piedmont Council, Boy Scouts of America, requested to host a fundraiser at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House on October 17, 2015. Proceeds from the ticket sales will cover the cost of hosting the event, while the silent auction and raffle profits will benefit programming. This will be first year the event will be hosted at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House and Oakland Park property.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow the Piedmont Council Boy Scouts of America to collect funds and sell raffle tickets at their fundraiser and party at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House on Saturday, October 27, 2015.

Moved by: Commissioner Peterson **Second by:** Commissioner Wu **Vote:** Yes - Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Peterson and Wu **Motion:**

G. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FROM THE FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER NETWORK TO COLLECT FUNDS ON-SITE WITH INTERNATIONAL FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ARTS AND CRAFTS VENDORS AT THEIR OUTDOOR MUSIC FESTIVAL AT LAKESIDE PARK (BANDSTAND) ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report presented by Zermaine Thomas. The Festival Fundraiser Network requested to host a free classic soul musical event at Lakeside Park on Saturday, August 29, 2015. Event organizers expect approximately 200 individuals and will food and beverage vendors and arts and crafts. The entertainment lineup includes classic artists Philly Intruders, Delphonics, Blue Magic, Stylistics Review and a host of local talent. This will be the first year the event will be hosted on Oakland Park property. Security personnel will be provided. The purpose of the event is to raise funds for community based programs in need of support.

After a period of discussion, it was determined that the Festival Fundraiser Network 501c3 was pending. However, the Commission raised concern that the organizers under estimated local public interest of a projected 100 to 200 attendees for the proposed free concert. Given the popularity of the entertainers and the marketing plan to promote the event through KBLX, Channel 2 News, and local community channels, the Commission estimated that organizers should expect several thousand attendees. It was also determined that the crowds generated by the free concert would conflict with an event previously scheduled approximately for the same time on August 29th and in close proximity. The Commission requested the organization work

with Parks and Recreation staff to locate a different venue or date to host the event and to reconsider logistics including the number of attendees. The PRAC also requested the organization to track and list the organizations selected to receive funds and the amount donated to each.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow Festival Fundraiser Network to host their Outdoor Music Festival contingent upon working with staff to change the location and date from Lakeside Park Bandstand on August 29, 2015, re-strategize advertisement and security and expectations of attendance. **Moved by:** Commissioner Wu **Second by:** Commissioner Belcher **Vote: Yes** - Belcher, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall and Wu. **No:** Miller and Peterson. **Abstained:** Du Bois **Motion:**

- H. **APPROVAL OF DESIGNATED GRILLING LOCATIONS, SIZE OF PROPANE GRILLS IN DESIGNATED AREAS, AND DESIGNATED GRILLING HOURS IN LAKESIDE PARK AND PINE KNOLL PARK.** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) reviewed the staff report presented by Gail McMillon. The PRAC requested that Oakland Parks and Recreation (OPR) establish a task force including OPR, Oakland Public Works (OPW) and Oakland Police Department (OPD) staff, Oakland residents and PRAC members for the purpose of creating a city policy for grilling and designating locations. The initial priority will be focused on Lakeside Park.

Community Comments:

Members of the community recommended that the cut off time for grilling at the Lakeside Park be 2pm rather than the proposed 3pm timeframe. Speakers were concerned with air quality and recommended propane and solar grills be permitted instead of charcoal cookers.

Only portable propane cookers and stationary charcoal grills will be permitted. According to Director Jones-Taylor, OPW and OPR in share the cost installing signs. Until formal installation of the signage has been determined, a temporary flag system will be implemented to show designated areas for use of propane grills. The OPR park use brochure will be updated to include current information.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendations including the resolution approved by the City Attorney with the caveat to substitute "propane grill" with "non-charcoal grill". **Moved by:** Commissioner Du Bois **Second by:** Commissioner Belcher **Vote: Yes** - Belcher, Du Bois, Flores, Kadera-Redmond, Marshall, Miller, Peterson and Wu.

9. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

11. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

12. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Commissioner Peterson: Studio One will host their Beer, Bites and Bella community event on for Friday, July 10th beginning at 6pm.

Commissioner Flores: Music in the Park at Carmen Flores Jose de la Cruz Park will be held on August 16th. Proceeds will benefit the summer camp program at Carmen Flores Recreation Center.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

14. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

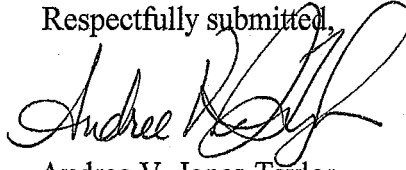
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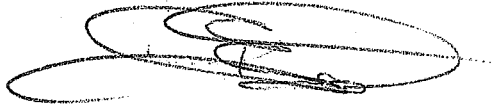
- Introductions
 - New Staff
Director Introduced Tiffany Lai-Inouye, the incoming Programing Director for Parks and Receptions Aquatics
 - YALI Fellows (Young African Leaders Initiative) See Item 2 – Roll Call for information
- Final Budget
 - Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation Receive d 50K to fund a grant writer position
 - Feather River received 40K to support youth camps
 - OPR received one time funding for outreach to kids in hot spot areas
 - The Oakland Zoo lost 121K
 - OPR Aquatic staff have been moved from the General Purpose Fund to 1820
- Water Conservation Plan – Brown is the New Green
The City is addressing water conservation and city water features. Until further notice, maintenance crews will not be making repairs to broken or failing water features.
- Warriors' Dedication at Verdese Carter Park
Basketball courts at Verdese Carter Park have been completed thanks to the partnership with the Golden State Warriors and Good Tidings
- Intimate Evening
The 9th Annual An Intimate Evening event will be held on Saturday, July 25th at the Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate.

17. ADJOURNMENT: 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,



Audree V. Jones-Taylor
Secretary



Diane Boyd
Recording Secretary

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*******MEETING INFORMATION*******

**The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will be on official recess from
July 9, 2015 until September 8, 2015.**



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

City of Oakland

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Lake Merritt Garden, 666 Bellevue Avenue

4:30pm

Draft Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Present: Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu

Excused: Belcher, Flores, Marshall, Miller

Staff: Parks and Recreation: Dana Riley, Diane Boyd, Zermaine Thomas, Mark Hall; Oakland Public Works: Tora Rocha, Janet Nelson, Ha Nguyen; Planning and Building: Rachael Flynn

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

- May 13, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
- July 8, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes

Note: The vote to approve the Draft meeting minutes for May 13 and July 8 was postponed until the October 14th meeting due to the lack of required votes to pass the item.

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

5. PRAC PENDING LIST:

6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

7. CONSENT NEW BUSINESS:

A. REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND INC. FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT ON-SITE DONATIONS AT THE 30TH ANNUAL WALK-A-THON FOR EDUCATION AT LAKESIDE PARK ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015.

The United Negro College Fund, Inc. (UNCF) has held its Walk-A-Thon for Education at Lakeside Park for many years. The event draws approximately 200+ people who participate in a 5K walk. The Walk for Education helps to raise funds for minority students endeavoring to fulfill their educational dreams.

B. REQUEST FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE GARDENS AT LAKE MERRITT AND OAKLAND PUBLIC WORKS FOR CONSENT TO USE THE GARDEN CENTER AND THE GARDENS AT LAKE MERRITT TO HOLD A FUNDRAISER CALLED THE "AUTUMN LIGHTS FESTIVAL" ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16TH AND 17TH, 2015.

Friends of the Gardens at Lake Merritt (FGLM) have requested use of the Lakeside Park Garden Center and the Gardens at Lake Merritt to hold a fund-raiser "The Autumn Light Festival" event. Net event receipts will entirely go to benefit improvements to the new entrance of the Gardens and Garden Center. Proud Festival Nation has been hired to manage the event.

Note: Oakland Public Works Parks Supervisor, Victoria Rocha requested permission to extend the event to Sunday, October 18th due to increased popularity. Staff expects an estimated 9K people to attend the 3 day event and have made plans to expand its security, rest rooms, food and other logistical needs as necessary.

C. REQUEST FROM MCCLYMONDS ACTION COMMITTEE TO HOLD THEIR REUNION ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015 AT DEFREMERY PARK AND TO COLLECT ON SITE DONATIONS.

McClymonds has had more than 25 successful reunions at deFremery Park. It is a time for people to reunite and rekindle old friendships with former classmates, visit their old community and family home, share family stories and have fun revisiting old memories. All class years are invited from classes of the 1950's to the graduating class of 2014. The community looks forward to a day of family engagement and community involvement. Proceeds from this event will continue to support their organization and planning for the following year's event.

D. REQUEST FROM YOUTH SPEAKS ORGANIZATION TO HAVE AN EVENT (LIFE IS LIVING) WITH VENDORS AT DEFREMERY PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2015.

Youth Speaks has held Life is Living Festival for five years at deFremery Park. There are various platforms for youth to enjoy. Spoken word, Food Justice, Hip Hop Dream Stage, Eco-Empowerment Health and Wellness Fair and skateboard competitions to name a few. The attendance is very high and the community looks forward to it. Proceeds from this event will continue to support Youth Speaks in the service of youth and arts in Oakland and the surrounding Bay Area.

E. REQUEST FROM THE BLACK COWBOY ASSOCIATION TO HAVE VENDORS AT THEIR ANNUAL PARADE AND FESTIVAL SPECIAL EVENT BEING HELD AT DEFREMERY PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2015.

Oakland Black Cowboy Association (OBCA), a non-profit organization, request to have up to 20 vendors at their Annual Parade and Festival event held at deFremery Park. OBCA has had forty successful parades and festivals. Horses, cars, drill teams and spectators are all strategically placed. There is anticipation among neighbors, surrounding city communities and beyond who look forward to this family friendly affair. Proceeds from their fundraising efforts will continue to support this historical West Oakland heritage.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to approve the Consent New Business Items 7A-7E, including the modifications to Item 7B. **Moved by:** Commissioner Peterson. **Second by:** Commissioner Du Bois. **Vote:** Yes – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. REQUEST APPROVAL FROM BAY LOCALIZE AND PARTNER, SEED & SOUL: INDIGENOUS CULTURAL EXCHANGE TO HOST A FUNDRAISER, COLLECT DONATIONS AND SELL FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ARTISTIC WARES AT THEIR OUTDOOR CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND FESTIVAL AT LAKESIDE PARK (FAIRYLAND GRASSY AREA) ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2015.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8A presented by Zermaine Thomas from Central Reservations with Oakland Park and Recreation. Bay Localize is an Oakland-based non-profit organization which supports community leaders with building equitable, resilient communities. The organization confronts the challenges of climate instability, rising energy costs, and recession by boosting regional capacity to provide for everyone's needs. Seeds and Soul is a one-day, Indigenous wombyn-led gathering and festival which centers on the themes of environmental sustainability, social justice, and indigenous wombyn's leadership.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to allow Bay Localize and Seed and Soul request to host a fundraiser and collect donations and sell food, beverages and artistic wares at their outdoor Cultural Exchange and Festival at Lakeside Park on Saturday, October 24, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Second by:** Commissioner Peterson. **Vote:** Yes – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

B. REQUEST FROM THE BONSAI GARDEN AT LAKE MERRITT FOR APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A MUSEUM STORE AT THE BONSAI GARDEN AT LAKE MERRITT TO FUNDRAISE FOR RENEWEL OF THE BONSAI GARDEN DISPLAYS.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8B presented by Victoria Rocha from Oakland Public Works. Staff and workers at the Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt (BGLM) requested permission from PRAC to create and run a Museum Shop to raise funds for the revitalization of the Garden display area. BGLM became member of the California Association of Museums (CAM) and the American Alliance of Museums (AAM) in an effort to elevate their status as an accredited museum. The project for which BGLM seeks California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) grant funding is for the replacement of 40-2'x3' and 13-2'x10' display benches and 3-2'x6' seating benches for the bonsai represented in the collection. In addition, the group would like to redesign the layout of the benches to add at least six to eight small benches plus another two to three seating benches for our visitors.

Staff intends to use an existing structure within the garden gates to serve as the museum store. Note cards, t-shirts, coffee mugs other related items would be sold to help raise the \$50,000 in matching funds needed to receive support for the CCHE, sponsored by the California Natural Resources Agency.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to approve the Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt's request to establish a Bonsai Museum Shop in the Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt. **Moved by:** Commissioner DuBois. **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote: Yes** – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

C. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO DEDICATE A BENCH TO JO AND NORM BUDMAN.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8C presented by Dana Riley from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Scott and Margo Budman, children of Jo and Norm Budman, contacted the City requesting that a bench be dedicated to honor their parent's 50th wedding anniversary. The desired bench location is on the east side of Lake Merritt along Lakeshore Avenue. The specific bench faces the lake and is the most northerly of two benches across from the entrance to the Cleveland Cascades. The plaque installation process is in accordance with the Public Works Agency construction requirements.

The Budman's will donate \$600 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation for the purchase and installation of the plaque which will read as follows:

Jo and Norm Budman
Celebrating 50 years of marriage
"I'll never find another you"

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to grant the staff recommendation to approve the plaque language as written for a bench on the shore of Lake Merritt to be dedicated to Jo and Norm Budman. **Moved by:** Commissioner Peterson. **Second by:** Commissioner Rosenbloom. **Vote: Yes** – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

D. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO DEDICATE A BENCH TO JUNE SPERO.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8D presented by Dana Riley from Oakland Parks and Recreation. The family of June Spero is requesting that a bench across from the bird pond adjacent to the Rotary Nature Center inside Lakeside Park is dedicated to honor her memory. Mrs. Spero is survived by three children and five grandchildren who would like a place to remember her.

The Spero family will make a minimum donation of \$600 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation to have the bench spruced up and for the purchase and installation of the plaque.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to grant the staff recommendation to approve the plaque language as written for a bench across from the bird pond in Lakeside Park to be dedicated to June Spero. **Moved by:** Commissioner Du Bois. **Second by:** Commissioner Rosenbloom. **Vote: Yes** – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

E. **REQUEST FOR THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO ACCEPT AN INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE CAMRON STANFORD HOUSE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8E presented by Mark Hall from Oakland Parks and Recreation. The Camron-Stanford House, as a Victorian house museum, has been a venue for many historical exhibits and public and private events since 1978, when much of the building had been restored to the 1880 period. The Camron-Stanford House Preservation Association (CSHPA) has a current lease with the City of Oakland, which is the owner of the Camron-Stanford House and its property. Existing lack of public safety during evening use and the protection of the historic house and its grounds have been on-going concerns for the CSHP. Although there is excellent exterior lighting on the front and right side of the building, installed by the City during the Measure DD project, there is no night illumination on the back and left side of the building.

Due to the historical designation of the Camron-Stanford House modern lighting may not be attached to the building. Low voltage LED lamps will be attached to palm trees on the property and used to light the north side of the building, the main garden gate and parking lot. Lamp shields will be installed to block light from other areas. The lamps will be installed at a height such as to prevent vandalism and are dimmable which will allow organizers to control the ambience during events held in the garden.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to accept the informational report regarding the Camron Stanford House Landscaping and Lighting improvements. **Moved by:** Commissioner Selna. **Second by:** Commissioner Peterson. **Vote:** Yes – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

F. **REQUEST FOR THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION TO ACCEPT AN INFORMATIONAL REPORT FOR A MURAL INSIDE VERDESE CARTER RECREATION CENTER.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8F presented by Mark Hall from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Staff received a proposal to install a community inspired mural inside the Verdesse Carter Recreation Center located at 9600 Sunnyside Street from One Toyota of Oakland. The Verdesse Carter Recreation Center is operated by the Police Athletic League (PAL) and proposes to work in collaboration with local community leaders and youth to design and install the mural inside the recreation center to provide inspiration to program participants and visitors. There will be an unveiling ceremony to showcase the art piece to the community.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to accept the informational report regarding the mural installation at Verdesse Carter Recreation Center. **Moved by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Second by:** Commissioner Peterson. **Vote:** Yes – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

9. CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

A. REQUESTING ENDORSEMENT AND APPROVAL OF THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION, PERMITS FOR CONDITIONAL USE AND TREE REMOVAL FOR THE BISHOP FLOYD L. BEGIN PLAZA RENOVATION PROJECT.

Staff from the Oakland Public Works (OPW) and the Oakland Parks and Recreation (OPR) request endorsement for the Conditional Use Permit in the design and implementation of Bishop Floyd L. Begin Plaza Renovation (Begin Plaza) Project funded by Housing-Related Parks Program (HRPP). The project includes improvements to approximately 12,833 square feet of the 19,020 square foot site located at 2251 San Pablo Ave, Oakland

The design of the project will address security and visibility issue plaza and will make it user friendly. Elements of the project include the removing dense clusters of pine trees, installing pedestrian lights, filling or leveling the open space, and removing high walls. These and other new design features will curtail the current homeless encampment and illegal activities in the plaza. The Department of Human Services (DHS) and Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council staff will provide and address the issues of the homeless encampment and criminal activities as the project moves forward.

Construction of the project is scheduled to begin in May of 2016 with a completion target of October 2016.

Motion: Commissioner Wu entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to endorse the Bishop Floyd Plaza Renovation Project and recommend approval to the planning Commission for the Design Review. **Moved by:** Commissioner Selna. **Second by:** Commissioner Peterson. **Vote: Yes** – Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Peterson, Rosenbloom, Selna and Wu, **Motion:** Passed

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

During Communications, Commissioner Selna shared an update in reference to Planning and Building Director Rachel Flynn letter dated July 9, 2015 regarding the Coliseum Area Specific Plan presented to the PRAC on September 10, 2014. Director Flynn was present and fielded questions from the Commission.

11. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:

12. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

14. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

15. OPEN FORUM:

16. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The Director's Report was presented by Mark Hall, Capital Improvements Coordinator for Oakland Parks and Recreation.

- A. The groups listed here were slated to go to before the City Council for approval on September 29, however, have been move to a meeting at a later date due to changes to the field maintenance and stewardship language.

- ❖ East Bay Warriors Football
- ❖ Oakland Babe Ruth
- ❖ Oakland Dynamites Football
- ❖ North and South Oakland Youth
- ❖ Oakland Girls Softball

- B. Street Soccer USA (SSUSA)

In partnership with SSUSA the existing tennis courts will be renovated into multi use courts by SSUSA and accompanied by leadership, empowerment and educational programming offered by SSUSA. SSUSA has provided this program in several cities throughout the nation, including New York City.

- C. Oakland Unified School District – Curt Flood Field

In partnership with OUSD and several public and private funders, OPR will renovate Curt Flood field replacing the natural grass field with synthetic turf to provide a safer playing surface and longer playing hours. The project is slated to begin in November 2015.

- D. East Bay United

OPR has partnered with the East Bay United Soccer Club who has raised over \$1.7 million dollars to complete the phase II multi use field at Raimondi Sports Complex. The Gift in Place and Agreement for field use will go before the City Council in October.

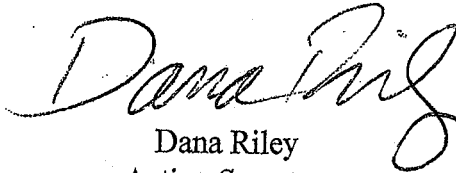
- E. Gift in Place/Naming Rights/Sponsorships

The Gift in Place, Naming Rights and Sponsorships update will be provided by Director Jones-Taylor when she returns.

- F. Golden State Warriors

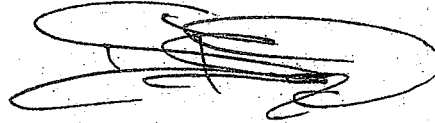
The Golden State Warriors and the Good Tidings Foundation have partnered with OPR to renovate the basketball gym at Rainbow Recreation Center. The first indoor gym the Warriors have completed in Oakland, the new Courts will mirror the actual Warriors gym floor, complete with Warriors half court logo, banners and NBA hoop systems. The project is slated to complete in November 2015.

17. ADJOURNMENT: 6:35pm



Dana Riley
Acting Secretary

Diane Boyd
Recording Secretary



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Next Meeting: ***Wednesday, October 14, 4:30 p.m.***
 Lakeside Garden Center
 666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA



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(PRAC)**

City of Oakland

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Lake Merritt Garden, 666 Bellevue Avenue

Draft Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:35pm

2. ROLL CALL:

**BELCHER, CORBIN, DU BOIS, KADERA-REDMOND, MANNING, MARSHALL,
MILLER, PETERSON, ROSENBLOOM, SELNA, WU**

Present: Corbin, Dubois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Miller, Rosenbloom

Arrivals: Marshall and Wu (4:39)

Excused: Belcher, Peterson and Selna

Staff: Parks and Recreation – Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Diane Boyd, Zermaine Thomas, Gail
McMillon, Michelle Doppelt; Planning and Building – Alicia Parker; Bureau of Planning-
Catherine Payne

Excused: Belcher, Peterson, Selna

3. DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

- May 13, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
- July 8, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes
- September 16, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes

Note: These items will be voted on at the next meeting as there were insufficient members present to approve the May, July or September draft minutes.

4. SPECIAL ORDERS:

5. PRAC PENDING LIST:

6. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to modify the agenda and move Item 8K before Item 8J. **Moved by:** Du Bois Commissioner **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** **Yes** – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu
Motion: Passed.

Note: The Friends of Sausal Creek requested that Item 8D be pulled until further notice.

7. CONSENT NEW BUSINESS:

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE DOWNTOWN OAKLAND SPECIFIC PLAN

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8A presented by Alicia Parker from the Planning and Building Department. The City's Planning and Building Department will launch Plan Downtown, a two year planning process to develop a community-driven vision for the future of Downtown. The project team will host a week-long pop-up open house and design charrette at 1544 Broadway, the future home of SPUR Oakland, from October 20 to 27. Drop by anytime between 9am and 6pm (8pm on Tuesday and Thursday). A charrette is a combination of on-location planning, design studio and town meetings and is the centerpiece of the public participation process and focuses broad community input over a short period of time through hands-on participation. During the course of the charrette, the consultant team will lead a series of public meetings, design sessions, stakeholder interviews and technical meetings in order to quickly engage the community and form the framework for the Specific Plan.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to accept the information report on the Downtown Oakland Specific Plan. **Moved by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond **Second by:** Commissioner Manning. **Vote: Yes** – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu
Motion: Passed.

B. REQUEST FROM WEST OAKLAND ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS PROJECT, FOR PERMISSION TO COLLECT FUNDS ON-SITE TO INCLUDE DOOR TICKET SALES, DONATIONS, SILENT AUCTION, RAFFLES AND CASH BAR AT THEIR 7TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AND CELEBRATION OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS ALONG WITH MS. GORDON'S 70TH BIRTHDAY AT THE LAKE MERRITT SAILBOAT HOUSE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2015.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8B prepared by Zermaine Thomas. This is the West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project first year hosting their fundraising event at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House.

The West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project is a community based environmental justice organization whose focus is on improving the wellbeing, employment, homes and neighborhoods of West Oakland residents through participatory research projects, community empowerment and collaborative problem solving techniques. This is the organization's first presentation to the PRAC.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant the West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project organizers permission to collect funds for on-site ticket sales, donations, silent auction raffle and cash bar the their 7th Annual Fundraiser at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House on Friday, December 11, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Wu **Second by:** Commissioner Rosenbloom. **Vote: Yes** – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:** Passed.

C. **REQUEST FROM CROHN'S & COLITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA (CCFA) FOR PERMISSION TO HOST A FUNDRAISING WALK; TAKE STEPS OAKLAND WALK 2015 BY ACCEPTING ON-SITE DONATION AND SPONSORSHIPS AT LAKESIDE PARK (BANDSTAND) ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2015.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8C prepared by Zermaine Thomas. The Take Steps Oakland Walk fundraiser will support research efforts to find a cure for Inflammatory Bowl Disease (IBD) suffered by approximately 75,000 Northern Californians, including children and adults. This is the first request and presentation made to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission by the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation permission the host their Take Steps Oakland Walk and Fundraiser at the Lakeside Park Bandstand on Sunday, November 8, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Du Bois **Second by:** Commissioner Manning. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:**

D. **REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED WETLANDS AT FRIENDS OF SAUSAL CREEK (FOSC) NATIVE PLANT NURSERY IN JOAQUIN MILLER PARK.**

The Friends of Sausal Creek (FOSC) proposes to create two naturally appearing and functioning ephemeral (vernal pond) wetland areas inside the FOSC Native Plant Nursery in Joaquin Miller Park. The wetlands will create ecologically valuable and locally-rare wildlife habitat, increase pollinator habitat, and improve wildlife viewing opportunities—providing excellent opportunities for outdoor education with nursery volunteers and local school children visiting the nursery on field trips.

Note: The Friends of Sausal Creek requested that Item 8D be pulled until further notice.

E. **REQUESTING APPROVAL FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO ALLOW MONTERA MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO TO COLLECT ENTRY FEES, HOST SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION, ACCEPT DONATIONS, AND TO SELL FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AT THEIR 1ST AUCTION FUNDRAISER TO BE HELD AT THE JOAQUIN MILLER COMMUNITY CENTER ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2015.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8E prepared by Zermaine Thomas. All proceeds from the fundraiser will support the Montero Middle School after school programs, including woodshops, the library and music.

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant the Montero Middle School PTO permission to; collect entry fees and donations, sell food, alcoholic beverages and host a live auction at their fundraising event at the Joaquin Miller Community Center on Saturday, November 7, 2015. **Moved by:** Commissioner Manning. **Second by:** Commissioner Wu. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:** Passed

F. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO DEDICATE A BENCH TO ARLENE DOPPELT.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8F presented by Michelle Doppelt from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Ms. Michelle Doppelt and family requested that a bench be dedicated to honor their mother, sister, wife and aunt, Arlene Doppelt. The desired bench location is in the new Lake Merritt Sailboat House parking area. The specific bench faces the lake and is one of the newly existing metal benches that are along the pathway between the Sailboat house and the Jr. Science Center. The plaque installation process is in accordance with the Public Works Agency construction requirements. Ms. Doppelt and family will make a donation in the amount of \$600.00 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation for the purchase and installation of the plaque. The dedication plaque will read:

**In loving memory of Arlene Belling Shapiro Doppelt
Oakland born lover of the animals of Lake Merritt
March 24, 1936- February 12, 2015**

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant Ms. Michelle Doppelt and family permission to dedicate a bench to Arlene Doppelt. The bench is located in the new Lake Merritt Sailboat House parking area and will read as recorded above. **Moved by:** Commissioner Wu **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:** Passed

G. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO DEDICATE A BENCH TO ANTOINETTE ANDERSON.**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8G presented by Michelle Doppelt from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Ms. Helen Anderson and family requested to have a bench dedicated to her daughter, Antoinette Anderson. They would like a bench on the Bellevue side of the lake, adjacent to the Rotary Nature Center and children's playground, facing the bird sanctuary in the lake. Ms. Anderson would prefer a wooden bench and is willing to refurbish one in that location, most of which are quite old and not in the best condition. Ms. Anderson and family will make a donation of \$600 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation for the purchase and installation of the plaque. The dedication plaque should read:

**Antoinette Anderson
Nov. 20, 1970 – Aug. 12, 2012
Free to fly**

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant Ms. Anderson and family permission to dedicate a bench to Antoinette Anderson. The bench is located on the Bellevue side of Lake Merritt, adjacent to the Rotary Nature Center and children's playground facing the bird sanctuary and will read as recorded above. **Moved by:** Commissioner Du Bois **Second by:** Commissioner Marshall. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:** Passed

H. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO DEDICATE A BENCH TO STEPHEN CLARK BROWN.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8H presented by Michelle Doppelt from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Ms. Linda Brown and family requested that a bench be dedicated to honor her husband Stephen Clark Brown. The desired bench is located in the Lake Merritt Sailboat House parking area. The specific bench is one of the newly installed metal ones situated along the pathway between the Sailboat House and the Jr. Science Center and faces the lake. The plaque installation process is in accordance with the Public Works Agency construction requirements. Ms. Brown and family will make a donation in the amount of \$600.00 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation for the purchase and installation of the plaque. The dedication plaque will read:

**In loving memory of Stephen Clark Brown
He celebrated Oakland and its people.
October 1947 - December 2014**

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant Ms. Brown and family permission to dedicate a bench to Stephen Clark Brown. The bench is located in the Lake Merritt Sailboat House parking area. The specific bench is one of the newly installed metal ones situated along the pathway between the Sailboat House and the Jr. Science Center and faces the lake and will read as recorded above.

Moved by: Commissioner Manning **Second by:** Commissioner Wu. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:** Passed

I. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO DEDICATE A BENCH TO TED BRESNAHAN

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8I presented by Michelle Doppelt from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Ms. Linda Franz and family requested that a new wood bench be installed and dedicated to honor her long-time companion and family member Ted Bresnahan, who passed away earlier this year. The desired bench location is in Dimond Park. The specific bench would face the lawn area of the Dimond Park BBQ area and will be installed under the tree just below the top pathway. The bench and plaque installation process is in accordance with the Public Works Agency construction requirements. Ms. Franz and family will make a donation in the amount of \$800.00 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation for the purchase and installation of the wood bench and plaque. The dedication plaque will read:

**In Loving Memory
Ted Bresnahan
Poet and Philosopher**

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant Ms. Franz and family permission to install and dedicate a bench to Ted Bresnahan to be located in Dimond Park facing the lawn and barbecue areas under the tree just below the top pathway. The dedication plaque will read as recorded above.

Moved by: Commissioner Rosenbloom **Second by:** Commissioner Kadera-Redmond. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu
Motion: Passed

J. RECOMMENDATION REPORT REGARDING FINAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR SHORELINE PARK (BROOKLYN BASIN)

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) reviewed the staff report for Item 8J presented by Catherine Payne from Bureau of Planning . The purpose of this report was to seek a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) regarding a Final Development Permit (FDP) application for Shoreline Park. The PRAC previously reviewed a preliminary design for Shoreline Park at their regularly scheduled meeting on April 8, 2015. At this time, the applicant, Zarsion-OHP 1, LLC (ZOHP) has submitted revised plans and seeks approval of the FDP by the Planning Commission. As part of the review process, Bureau of Planning staff requests that the PRAC conduct design review and make a recommendation the Planning Commission. The proposed Final Development Permit is to construct Shoreline Park, including the demolition of a large portion of the 9th Avenue Terminal, as approved under the Preliminary Development Permit. The Applicant seeks the Shoreline Park FDP in compliance with the Brooklyn Basin project conditions of approval requiring delivery of the park improvements prior to delivery of the 550th dwelling unit for Phase I.

Shoreline Park is one of three new parks included in the Brooklyn Basin redesign project. The site for Shoreline Park sits on approximately 10 acres near the Oakland Estuary and 9th Avenue. Past uses of the site included retail, commercial and industrial facilities, container storage and the Ninth Avenue Terminal. Preservation of the southeastern section of the Ninth Street Terminal with approximately 90% of the facility slated for demolition is included in the approved design plans. General design elements and amenities include: open spaces for passive use and planned events; connecting pathways to other parts of the greater parkland; off street parking; access to the Bay Trail; public art; raised planted areas including drought resistant shrubs and trees.

A Power Point presentation and overview of the Shoreline Park Design Plan for the Brooklyn Basin was provided. Staff and the project applicant fielded questions for the Commission.

Public Comments:

- The project site is vast and empty. This is the first major parks project in decades; it is important to make changes now and not after its completion. In its current state, the 9th Avenue Terminal serves as a wind break which will be lost after demolition. Designs should reflect shaded and wind break features as well as a launch site for boats, canoes and kayaks. Restrooms will be needed throughout the park; current plans only reflect inclusion near the site of proposed restaurant areas. Parks programming management is needed.

- Due to possible contamination and splintering, reuse of the 9th Avenue Terminal wood for decking is not advisable. A greater disbursement and variety of vegetation is needed in the design plans. The project developer should retain management of the park in perpetuity.
- More restrooms, parking and public transportation will be needed to accommodate large events. Human activity will disturb nearby wildlife and migrating birds habitat. Developer should work with the California Native Plant Society and California Fish and Game.

PRAC Comments:

Manning: Recommended that the developer work with the City of Alameda to expand water and ferry service to the Estuary area of the 9th Avenue Terminal. Trash and cigarette pollution entering the estuary and bay are of great concern. Trash control measures are needed. Educational kiosks are also needed to inform the public regarding rising sea level issues. It was requested that the Planning Commission delay their vote and return the project back to PRAC for continued review and consideration.

DuBois: More of the 9th Street Terminal should be retained; additional restrooms and vegetation are needed throughout the project. PRAC comments should consolidate its comments in a “white paper” and forward to the Planning Commission. Troubled that PRAC is faced with the last opportunity to review and make comments - the process is moving too fast.

Rosenbloom: Would like PRAC members serve on any future Design Review subcommittee.
Shoreline Parks should serve both local and regional communities.

Kadera-Redmond: Access to the water is needed for all to enjoy. Developers were encouraged to consider public art; incorporating Manzanita trees to facilitate visibility and changeable way-finding signs should to accommodate programs and large events in the park. Also recommends committing the developer to park programming.

Corbin: Shoreline Park is an expansive open space – the starkness may keep potential visitors away. Recommends consideration be given to the roof top garden sustainable design concept by incorporating living wall structures and living sculptures created by using drought resistant plants. Living wall structures can be used as wind barriers.

Wu: Shoreline Park should appeal to all Oakland residents as a destination spot. Project depictions lack diversity and give the feeling of gentrification.

Chair Miller: The project design depicts an immense area. More public art is needed – recommends thought be given to the Uptown Temporary Art Park. Contemplate giving PRAC further non-discretionary review of the project.

- Provision of children's play areas (potentially within the development itself and not necessarily in the Shoreline Park);
 - Universal water access;
 - Wayfinding signage
 - A substantial increase in the amount of public art, potentially including art in the water;
 - Adequate provision of restrooms;
 - Adequate shade devices;
 - More imaginative design and features; and
 - Addressing public comments submitted to the PRAC following publication of the staff report; and
- C. Request the Planning Commission to include PRAC representation on a DRC subcommittee to conduct further design review and reporting, should the project be approved with a DRC subcommittee.

Moved by: Commissioner Manning **Second by:** Commissioner Wu. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu. **No** – Marshall.

Motion: Passed.

K. Request for Approval to Dedicate a Bench to Andrea Snedeker

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report for Item 8K presented by Michelle Doppelt from Oakland Parks and Recreation. Mr. Philippos Tsourkas requested that a bench facing the children's play area in Mosswood Park be dedicated to honor Andrea Snedeker. Mr. Tsourkas will make a donation of \$800.00 to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation to have the bench cleaned-up and for the purchase and installation of the plaque. The dedication plaque will read:

**In loving memory of
Andrea Snedeker
Aug. 7, 1965 - Dec. 5, 2013
Beloved fiancée
Neighborhood resident**

Motion: Commissioner Miller entertained a motion to approve the staff recommendation to grant Mr. Philippos Tsouorkas permission to dedicate a bench to Andrea Snedeker. The bench is located in Mosswood Park facing the children's play area. The dedication plaque will read as recorded above. **Moved by:** Commissioner Manning. **Second by:** Commissioner Rosenbloom. **Vote:** Yes – Corbin, Du Bois, Kadera-Redmond, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Rosenbloom, and Wu **Motion:** Passed

Chair Miller recommended that future bench dedications be placed on the consent calendar barring unusual circumstances.

9. COMMUNICATIONS:
10. PRAC COMMITTEE REPORT:
11. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

13. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

14. OPEN FORUM:

Tora Rocha – Announced the Autumn Lights Festival October 16th and 17th from 6pm to 9pm.

Introduction on new commissioners:

- C.N.E. Corbin – 4th year Ph.D. student at the University of Berkeley Environmental Sciences Policies and Management Department
- Cyril Manning – Communications Director for Save the Bay

15. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A. Signs at Lake Merritt

- Music at Lake Merritt becoming an issue – clashes between new and previously existing community members.
- Ordinance to be reviewed and updated.
- Request PRAC to form a task force to work with staff, review ordinances related to parks. With special attention on those that are obsolete.
- Distributed Ordinances and Oakland Municipal Codes

PRAC Ordinance Taskforce volunteers:

Marshall

Kadera-Redmond

Corbin

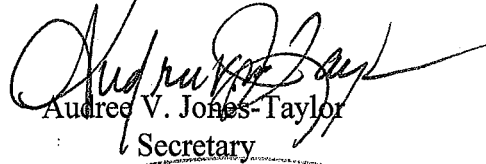
Staff – Gail McMillon

B. Next PRAC Meetings

- Veterans Day 11/11
- Special PRAC Meeting 11/4 – Signage Ordinances and Gift in Place
- Special PRAC Meeting 11/18

16. ADJOURNMENT: 7:44pm

Respectfully submitted,



Audree V. Jones-Taylor
Secretary



Diane Boyd
Recording Secretary

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Next Meeting :

Special Meetings

Wednesday, November 4, 4:30pm and

Wednesday, November 18, 4:30 p.m.

Lakeside Garden Center

666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA

CITY OF OAKLAND
Interoffice Memorandum



Office of Parks and Recreation

TO: Barry Miller, Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Mark Hall
DATE: November 4, 2015
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO RECOMMEND NAMING THE BASKETBALL COURTS INSIDE THE RAINBOW RECREATION CENTER GYM AFTER FORMER GOLDEN STATE WARRIOR PLAYER JASON RICHARDSON

SUMMARY

The Golden State Warriors have selected the Rainbow Recreation Center gym for a renovation and request the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission recommendation to name the renovated courts after former Golden State Warrior Jason Richardson.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the City of Oakland.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Similar to the recently renovated San Antonio Park basketball courts now called the Sarunas Marciulionis courts, the Golden State Warriors have requested the honor to name the basketball courts inside the Rainbow Recreation Center Gymnasium after former Golden State Warrior Oakland community favorite, Jason Richardson. During his time with Golden State, Richardson gained popularity for his outstanding scoring, ability to dunk, dedication to the team and fans, and ethical maturity. The long time captain of the Warriors, Richardson organized a letter of apology to Warrior fans in 2005 after the team failed to make the playoffs for the 12th straight season. The following year, Richardson helped lead the Warriors to their first playoff game in 13 years. Richardson is especially known for his high-flying abilities and is widely regarded as one of the best dunkers in 2000s. The current state of the Rainbow Recreation Center gym floor exhibits serious wear, tear, and deferred maintenance. The acceptance of this gift will allow the Golden State Warriors to add value to the community and to the park. The work will consist of removing existing basketball posts and backboards, performing wall repairs, installation of four new NBA hoop systems, hand painting the 'Warriors' logos at center court surfacing, and resurface existing bleachers surrounding the courts. When completed hundreds of local regular participants will benefit from this project.

SCOPE OF WORK

The Rainbow Recreation Center Gym project shall consist of the following scope of work: Sand and finish the existing 4,150 square foot gym floor, paint yellow border around gym floor, apply blue stain inside three point area, apply two seal coats and three finish coats to the floor; paint all walls including wood paneling, sand and apply Polyurethane on the bleachers; apply a "Warriors" center logo and two "Good Tidings" side logos, install two new 48" x 72" unbreakable glass backboards, new rims, backboard padding, install end of court wall padding in royal blue and install a new remote controlled scoreboard.

BACKGROUND

The Good Tidings Foundation is a 501(c) 3 children's charity that was founded in 1995 to support arts, education, athletics, and dreams for youth from communities of need in the Greater Bay Area. The Good Tidings Foundation creates original projects and works in partnership with professional sports franchises, businesses and agencies throughout the Bay Area to leverage resources in order to increase access to enriching opportunities by deserving youth, including designing, funding and building projects that are maintained and programmed in perpetuity by school districts, recreation departments, or city governments. The Golden State Warriors and the Good Tidings Foundation have partnered with the Oakland Parks and Recreation to renovate over 25 basketball courts in Oakland, and have recently approached the City of Oakland to renovate the Rainbow Recreation Center Basketball Gym at no cost to the City of Oakland with an anticipated project completion of December 2015. The Rainbow Recreation Center was identified in the 2005 City of Oakland Capital Improvement Plan and the Oakland Open Space and Recreation (OSCAR) report as a needed and planned improvement. Each year, the Warriors identify community projects to complete as a demonstration of community investment and dedication to youth and healthy lifestyles. The current project continues the legacy of community service the Good Tidings Foundation and the Golden State Warriors share with the City of Oakland staff and its communities.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission recommend the naming the Rainbow Recreation Center Basketball Courts after former Warrior, Jason Richardson.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Oliver Hall
Office of Parks and Recreation

CITY OF OAKLAND
Interoffice Memorandum



Oakland Parks and Recreation

TO: Barry Miller, Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Audree V. Jones-Taylor, Director, Oakland Parks and Recreation
DATE: November 4, 2015
SUBJECT: REQUEST TO FORM A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW EXISTING RULES AND ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO SIGNAGE IN PARKS AND HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE COMMUNITY

SUMMARY

This is a request to form a task force to review potential ordinance changes for park rules and signage as it relates to park regulations, hours of operation, grilling, children play areas, park pathways, private groups and other park rule usage.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report at this particular time, however, the fiscal impact towards the overall goal of updating the signage rules and regulations can be significant and the cost has not been identified at the time of this report.

BACKGROUND

On October 7, 2015, it was brought to Oakland Parks and Recreation's (OPR) attention that many of the park signage throughout the City are outdated. As a result of community interest, OPR agreed to gain support of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) to provide a forum to the community to offer suggestions, recommendations, and give feedback on appropriate language and user friendly rules that will in turn create a positive experience for our users.

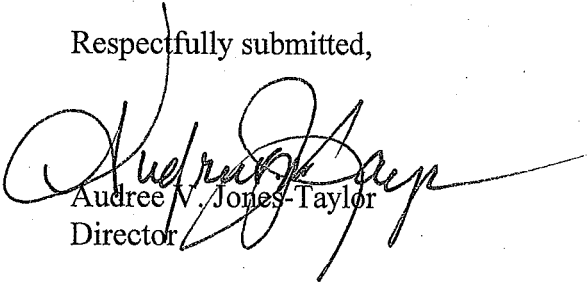
With the changing trends in the profession of Parks and Recreation as well as the many changes throughout our park system, OPR feels the need to provide a platform and create a task force as we have done in the past to address the emerging issues and safety concerns. To that end, OPR desires to engage community members, park users, city employees and officials in reviewing existing rules and ordinance pertaining to parks for the purpose of gathering information to make recommendations to the PRAC on the possible new language rules and regulations. It is the desire for OPR to come back to PRAC in December with the expectation of going to Council for final approval of the ordinance changes for park regulations and signage.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
November 4, 2015

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission approve the three members, Commissioner Mandolin Kadera-Redmond, Commissioner Toshia S. Marshall, and Commissioner C.N.E. Corbin, to serve on the task force to review and update existing rules and ordinances pertaining to park rules and signage.

Respectfully submitted,



Audree N. Jones-Taylor
Director