



## FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

#### ITEM NO. 4.A - MINUTES

Tuesday, September 19, 2023, 6:30 P.M.  
2201 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was convened by Chair Higgins at 6:30pm, with a Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Board Members:

Teresa Higgins, Chair - Present

Jessica Dias, Vice Chair - Present

Laura Lavallee, Secretary Absent

Michael Seaman, Director - Arrived at 6:33pm

Kathy Stricklin, Director - Present

Staff Members:

Emily Ballus

Linda Montijo

Mike Chahal

Ryan Harder

Becky McDaniel - via Zoom

Jayden D – via Zoom at 6:49

Beth Johnson - via Zoom

Dounia Beshara - via Zoom

#### 3. PUBLIC AND VISITOR COMMENTS

No comments were made.

#### 4. CONSENT ITEMS (Motion)

- a. Minutes of the August 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Total Payroll, Supplies, and Revenue Summary Graph Year to Date (under separate cover)
- c. Program Revenue and Refund Report for August 2023
- d. Payroll Report for August 2023
- e. Claims for August 2023
- f. Revolving Fund Report for August 2023
- g. Services and Supplies Summary Report as of August 2023
- h. Monthly Department Breakdown for August 2023
- i. Parks, Recreation, Facility Rentals, and Security Report August 2023
- j. Minutes for August 11, 2023 Programs, Facilities and Project Committee
- k. Minutes for August 11, 2023 Personnel and Finance Committee

Chair Higgins made a motion to approve the Consent items, and Director Dias seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-0-1-0

#### 5. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION ITEMS (Motion or Approval Required)

##### 5.1 Adopt Resolutions Approving Budget Adjustments for 2023/24 396A and 396B

The Board will review the adjusted budgets for 396A and 396B per Sacramento County request to correct a negative fund balance.

- a. Resolution 2023/24-10, Approving the Parks Maintenance and Recreation Improvement District (Assessment # 1) Final Budget for 2023/2024
- b. Resolution 2023/24-11, Approving the Parks Maintenance and Recreation Improvement District (Assessment # 2) Final Budget for 2023/2024

GM Ballus gave a brief background noting that the budget was approved last month and submitted to the County. The County indicated Assessment 1 (Fund 396A) could not have a starting negative fund balance.

Assessment 2 has a positive fund balance so the recommendation was to shift items from Assessment 1 budget to Assessment 2 budget so each assessment has a positive balance. This change will have a zero impact on the bottom line

After a brief discussion, Vice Chair Dias made the motion to accept the changes to the budget for Assessment 1 and Assessment 2, seconded by Director Strickland, with both resolutions passing by 4-0-1-0.

## **5.2 Babcock Park Update**

The Board will recommend next steps for staff for the Babcock Park Draft MOU between Twin Rivers School District, City of Sacramento, SHRA and FEC.

GM Ballus gave a brief update on the MOU between Twin Rivers Unified School District, City of Sacramento, and SHRA, regarding reopening the Park. If the board agrees to the proposed MOU, then GM Ballus will include any additional recommendation made by the board and then present the draft to all parties. Director Seaman noted that MOU was discussed at the Facilities Committee meeting and concerns noted in that meeting had been communicated to our attorney.

GM Ballus requested that the board take out the line on page 1, item B, where it indicates the park would be closed until after school hours. GM Ballus indicated that the District had championed not closing the park during school hours and the school responded by offering to install a fence separating the school from the park so the park could be open all day. The Board agreed to strike the line stating that the park be closed when school is in secession.

GM Ballus suggested the Board consider how they want to respond to page 3, item C, where it indicates the easement for the property will be in perpetuity while page 9, item 5 states the agreement will terminate in 10 years. Chair Higgins asked if the board thought the 10-year term was appropriate. Director Strickland stated the board should consider changing that to 20 or 50 years, so the GM doesn't have to seek a renewal every 10 years. Director Seaman questioned the 10-year term applicability. Chair Higgins suggested striking the 10-year agreement and replacing it with all parties could revisit the agreement periodically to make necessary changes as needed. Director Seaman indicated that he recommended changing the term from 10 to 20 years after which the parties may revisit the agreement. Director Seaman stated that if the school district decides to sell the school, the park should then revert to the district or remain in the public domain as a park.

Chair Higgins directed GM Ballus to continue to work with the attorney on board requested revisions to the MOU.

### **5.3 Park Advisory Tour Schedule**

The Board will approve the proposed Park Advisory meetings schedule.

The board approved the park advisory committee meetings scheduled to start on October 10, 2023, from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

## **6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS (No Action Required)**

### **6.1 Assembly Constitutional Amendment: ACA13 Update**

Staff will provide the Board with an overview of ACA13 and the potential impact on and for the District.

Director Seaman provided an overview of ACA 1 and other ballot measures that will be placed on the November 2024 ballot. Director Seaman provided insight into how ACA 1 and ACA 13 may impact cities, counties and special districts by lowering the threshold for voter approval for measures from a super majority of two-thirds to a simple majority of 55 percent, which is in line with what school districts.

### **6.2 General Manager's Report**

The General Manager reported the following:

The upcoming groundbreaking ceremony for Howe Park Bridges will be held on October 12 at 5:00pm.

Rashaad Noozir, who is the Development and Special Projects Director, Sacramento Valley Central California Counsel and American Islamic Relations, is working with the District on outreach to the Bohemian park users.

Invited to a dinner social with members of the California Civic Leadership Institute held in Sacramento.

Contacted Senator Angelique Ashby's office to share the District's support of ACA 13.

Met with Supervisor Rich Desmond and provided updates on Bohemian Park and discussed the Community Center Grant.

Superintendent McDaniel and Supervisor Delfer provided updates on the October 28<sup>th</sup> Halloween event, where 800 – 900 children are expected to participate. Games, entertainment, and activities are planned for the event.

Submitted the California Sustainable Growth Council Community Reliance Center Grant. The level of support given to us by Supervisor Desmond, SMUD, and SACRT is exemplary.

Supervisor Harder provided an update on the Seely Park splash pad door which was vandalized and needs to be replaced to secure chemicals.

Police Chief Johnson stated that she has been meeting with the contract Districts' board members. This week she will be in Rio Linda Elverta RPD's board meeting to discuss services provided and any issues they may have with the Police Department.

## **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Standing Committees:**

- a). Personnel and Finance – Chair, Director Teresa Higgins Did not meet this month.

- b). Programs, Facilities and Projects – Chair, Director Seaman Items mentioned above.
- c). Security and Community Relations – Chair, Director Dias Did not meet this month.
- d). Ad Hoc Committee: Bohemian Park Project – Chair, Director Seaman Did not meet this month
- e). Park Advisory – Directors assigned to each park

Board members will provide reports on any standing or Ad Hoc committee meeting they may have attended.

Director Seaman recommended removing the Bohemian Park Ad Hoc committee as the project is now being handled in the Programs, Facilities and Projects committee.

**8. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

Board members will report on items of interest to the Board.

Director Seaman indicated he has attended various meetings.

Director Stricklin indicated there has been gang activity in the area and our parks been vandalized by gang graffiti.

Chair Higgins indicated she appreciates the improvements in Seely Park. She attended some of the parks in Hawaii, where they had a Café located alongside the park. She suggested staff consider incorporating something similar in the future in our parks.

Director Dias has no comments.

**9. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS (No Action Required)**

- A. ACA 13 Majority Vote Protection Act Clears First Hurdle
- B. Bid to Overhaul California Tax Measure – ACA1
- C. FEC Senior Social Games Flyer
- D. FEC After School Learning Lessons
- E. FEC Socktober Drive for Seniors
- F. Howe Park Frightfully Fun Carnival (for Halloween)

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Chair Higgins adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Mike Chahal, Director of Finance and Administration / Clerk of the Board.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teresa Higgins, Chair  
 Board of Directors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Laura Lavalley, Secretary  
 Board of Directors