

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Board Executive Committee (4/10/2014) (Wieskamp)

Present

Board: Ayn Wieskamp (Chair), Whitney Dotson, John Sutter

Staff: Robert Doyle, Dave Collins, Larry Tong, Diane Althoff, Bob Nisbet, Jim O'Connor, Steve Myli

Public: None

The meeting was called to order at 12:47 p.m.

I. Alameda Point Project Update

Larry Tong, Interagency Planning Manager, and Diane Althoff, Acting Assistant General Manager, presented this agenda item.

Mr. Tong provided a brief description of the project location which is approximately 2000+ acres in the City of Alameda ("City"). The City had designated for this area 5.5 million sq. ft. of commercial space and workplace facilities; 1,400 dwelling units; and several open space areas. General Manager Robert Doyle noted that the designated nature reserve/government area is restrictive because of the biological opinion and the presence of California Least Tern. One component of the project is the veteran's affairs ("VA") project which includes an outpatient clinic, cemetery / columbarium, access roads, conservation management office, and seasonal trail easement. Another component of the project is the development of a waterfront town center and enterprise zone. Mr. Doyle noted that the VA has committed to providing infrastructure in the area, long-term management costs of open space area, and undertaking site remediation. Ms. Althoff presented a PowerPoint presentation showing the VA concept plan and park plan. The proposed Conservation Management Office will be approximately 2,500 sq. ft. and includes office space for USFWS and the Park District. More detailed plans will be provided to the Committee as it is made available to staff by the VA.

Recommendation: None. This was an informational item.

2. Peralta Oaks Parking Lot Update

Dave Collins, Assistant General Manager, presented this agenda item.

At the February 2014 meeting, the Committee was provided with several project updates taking place at Peralta Oaks, including the parking lot project. At that meeting, the Committee requested that staff make contact with EBMUD to inquire about the possibility of expanding parking onto their lands. Mr. Doyle noted that the Alameda County's office remodel is near completion and will result in an increase in traffic and will likely result in the need for additional staff parking. Parking along the street is available, but there are some security issues, including the break in of several cars. Staff has recently discussed with EBMUD about the possibility of leasing their property for parking. Much of the EBMUD property is restricted due to the proximity to the reservoir, and EBMUD has indicated that they would prefer that the site not be paved. Based on the restrictions, staff is recommending that the EBMUD parking lot option not be considered. Rather, staff is recommending that the parking lot expansion be constructed on the District's current parcel. The Committee inquired about the number of parking space needed in order to accommodate staff and project timelines. Mr. Doyle noted that there are several advantages of constructing an additional parking lot on our property. Staff will provide more details to the Committee as the project moves forward.

Recommendation: None. This was an informational item.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky K. Pheng