

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Board Executive Committee (2/7/2019) (Wieskamp)

Present

Board: Ayn Wieskamp, Ellen Corbett, Dennis Waespi

Staff: Ana M. Alvarez, Erica Fuerst, Kip Walsh, Mary Mattingly, Matt McDonell, Pete DeQuincy, Anthony Ciaburro, Carol Johnson, Jim O'Connor, Erich Pfuehler, Sandra Hamlat, Kim Thai, Carol Victor, Alan Love, Kristina Kelchner, Brian Holt, Matt Graul, Devan Reiff, Glenn Gilchrist, Karla Cuero, Anne Kassebaum

Public: Rick Rickard, Daniel Bath

Board Executive Committee Chair Ayn Wieskamp called the meeting to order at 12:37 pm.

**I. Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline – Land Use Plan Amendment Program
Environmental Impact Report**

Chief of Planning and GIS Brian Holt, provided a brief history and geographical background of the Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline; discussed various aspects of the plan, including shoreline protection and improved public access; and highlighted the major recommendations for each planning area as listed in his visual presentation: Lagoon, Bray Property, Ferry Point, Bayshore, and Ridgeland. He touched on approved development projects surrounding the park: Quarry Residential, Shea Bottoms and Terminal One, and discussed the Public Comment and CEQA Process. Director Ellen Corbett asked if there were concerns with dredging the lagoon, leading to a discussion regarding lagoon dredging and native plants. Director Dennis Waespi questioned the fire danger involved around the new housing developments, which led to a discussion regarding fire danger. Director Ayn Wieskamp asked about plans for the renovated historic warehouse. Mr. Holt explained that the historic warehouse would be repurposed as an interpretive feature for passive use.

Recommendation: By motion of Director Dennis Waespi and seconded by Director Ellen Corbett, the Board Executive Committee voted 3-0 to recommend the

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline LUPA and EIR move forward to the full Board of Directors.

2. Authorization to Award Contract to KSN for Coyote Hills Well Replacement

Administrative Manager Mary Mattingly provided background on the former Patterson farm property at Coyote Hills donated to the Park District and discussed the need to replace the well. She discussed the work KSN would do to test viability, and possibly replace the well. Director Ellen Corbett inquired about possible aquifer contamination. Ms. Mattingly stated that KSN would work with the Water District to permit the well, and that she would return to the committee with more information. Director Dennis Waespi expressed concern about such an expensive project and requested Ms. Mattingly return to the committee with a report of various farm and garden possibilities on the farm property at Coyote Hills. Ms. Mattingly will return to the committee after the pilot bore phase for final approval before moving forward on the project.

Recommendation: By motion of Director Dennis Waespi and seconded by Director Ellen Corbett, the Board Executive Committee voted 3-0 to recommend the authorization of a Sole Source contract to KSN for an amount not to exceed \$164,500.00 to investigate the viability of replacing the Coyote Hills Farm Well, and if viable, to design and oversee construction of a replacement well, to the full Board of Directors.

3. Human Resources Policy Number #3 – Backgrounds

Chief Human Resources Office Kip Walsh discussed the suggested amendments to HR Policy Number 3: Fingerprinting and Criminal Background Check Policy. The policy was first established in 1996 and was last updated in 2013; HR would like to amend the policy due to changes in state law in 2018 such as “Ban the Box” – AB 1008, and Fair Credit Reporting. Ms. Walsh discussed the Guidelines for Applicants and the distinction between the different levels of consistent practices. A discussion regarding reference checks followed.

Recommendation: By motion of Director Dennis Waespi and seconded by Director Ellen Corbett, the Board Executive Committee voted 3-0 to recommend the proposed revisions to Human Resources Policies and Procedures #3 to the full Board of Directors.

4. Special Park Districts Forum 2019

AGM of Public Affairs Carol Johnson and Chief of Interpretive and Recreation Services Anne Kassebaum presented this agenda item. Ms. Johnson provided a brief history on the Special Park Districts Forum (SPDF) and stated that the Park District will host the 48th annual SPDF from May 5-9, 2019. Ms. Kassebaum provided an overview of the itinerary. Ms. Johnson elaborated on the budget for the SPDF and mentioned that she is expecting a minimum of 200 attendees. The Committee expressed excitement for the event. Deputy General Manager Dr. Ana M. Alvarez acknowledged staff's hard work to plan the event and expressed excitement that other agencies get to celebrate the Park District's 85th anniversary.

Recommendation: None. This was an informational item.

5. Gateway Park Naming Consideration

Planner Kim Thai provided a geographical and historical overview of Gateway Park. She discussed the concept plans, the renovated Bridgeyard Building, the 4-mile Alex Zuckerman Bay Bridge Trail, and the Public Observation Platform. Ms. Thai reviewed the timeline of the naming process, that began in 2013. At the December 6th, 2018 Board Executive Committee Meeting, the Board Executive Committee directed staff to consider an alternative name to incorporate former Board Member John Sutter, who first proposed and advocated for a future park at the site in 1967. The recommended name was Judge John Sutter Gateway Regional Shoreline. Director Ellen Corbett asked why “Judge” is being used. Mr. Holt responded that Director Sutter requested Judge be placed in front of his name. Director Ayn Wieskamp indicated she would like to place the other suggested names on features around the park with plaques explaining their legacy. Mr. Holt stated that the name may change slightly when it moves forward to the full Board depending on the parks classification.

Recommendation: By motion of Director Dennis Waespi and seconded by Director Ellen Corbett, the Board Executive Committee voted 3-0 to recommend Judge John Sutter Gateway Regional Shoreline as the name of the future park to the full Board of Directors.

6. Open Forum for Public Comments

Lewis Brisbois Partner Daniel Bath, provided BNSF Railway’s comments on the EIR and LUPA of the Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline.

PAC Vice Chair Rick Rickard agreed that Judge John Sutter deserves having the park named after him.

7. Board Comments

None.

8. GM Comments

None.

There being no further business, President Ayn Wieskamp declared the meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica L. Fuerst

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