

AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Board Executive Committee (8/14/2014) (Wieskamp)

Present

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

Staff: Diane Althoff, Tim Anderson, Dave Collins, Matt Graul, Bob Nisbet, Becky Pheng, Mark Rupphenthal, Precious Shelton, and Carol Johnson

Public: None.

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m.

**I. Request for Board Contingency Funding for Public Safety Traffic Advisory Sign**

Mark Rupphenthal, Police Captain, presented this agenda item.

Staff requested Board contingency funds in the amount of \$5,363 towards the purchase of a mobile full matrix message speed monitor trailer ("trailer"). The cost of the trailer is \$21,450. Public Safety, Public Affairs, and Operations Division have agreed to contribute funds towards this purchase. In the past, each department has had to rent message trailers from various vendors during major holidays and special events. The trailers have been used by each department for event and public serve announcements and traffic control. Recently, the message trailers were used at Shadow Cliffs, Del Valle, and Mission Peak.

The message trailer, which the District intends to purchase, has:

- Three-line display,
- 92 pre-programmed messages,
- 40 custom messages,
- Multi-language text capabilities, and
- A traffic statistic computer.

The Committee asked if the radar will be able to pick up bicyclists. Staff responded that the radar will pick up anything over 4 miles per hour, including bicyclists. Director Wieskamp

commented that the message trailers have been quite effective, and that she supports the use of Board Contingency monies towards the purchase.

**By motion of Director Sutter and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board Executive Committee voted 3-0 to approve and recommend to the full Board the transfer of \$5,363 from the Board Contingency account to help pay for the purchase of a public safety traffic trailer sign.**

## **2. Update on 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Sponsors and Program**

Carol Johnson, AGM for Public Affairs, presented this agenda item.

Ms. Johnson provided an overview of the District's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary outreach and planned events. Media activities included three stories in *Via*, *Sunset*, and *US Airways* magazines. Community relations activities included District sponsorships of the Olmsted Symposium at Stanford University and Kids Days at the Alameda County Fair. Two traveling exhibits were displayed at seven locations including Tilden EEC, three county libraries, and San Ramon Valley Museum. The District has sent over 1,000 employee anniversary gift packages, which consists of a pin, bandana, and stainless steel water bottle.

Tickets to the September 13 Anniversary Gala are sold out. As of August, the District has received 46 sponsorships raising a total of \$198,000. The Gala's highlights include:

- Youth involvement (Boy Scout color guard and Oakland Youth chorus),
- Prominent legislative guests,
- Auction fundraiser (silent auction and live auction),
- Award recognition, and
- Unveiling of *Wonderments of the East Bay* published by Heyday Press.

Upcoming park dedications include the Iron Horse Trail, Dumbarton Quarry, East Bay Greenway, Carquinez Shoreline, and Vargas Plateau.

The Committee thanked Ms. Johnson and staff for all their work in putting the events together and looked forward to the Gala.

**None. This was an informational item.**

## **3. Update and Recommendation to Perform Needed Resource Protection at Pt. Isabel/McLaughlin-Eastshore State Park**

Diane Althoff, Acting AGM for Planning/Stewardship & Development, presented this agenda item.

Pt. Isabel Shoreline/McLaughlin-Eastshore State Park receives over a million visitors annually. This site is a historic landfill, and the in-place mitigation measures designed to limit exposure to lead-contaminated soil and maintain water quality, require ongoing water and soils testing, visual monitoring, and maintenance. Matt Graul, Chief of Stewardship, gave a short background about

the SFRWQCB order, which regulates on-going maintenance of the park to insure protection of environmentally sensitive areas. The order requires the District to submit annual reports and to maintain sufficient cap to protect the water. The scope of work needed to comply with the order includes:

- Bridge repairs to support construction loading,
- Placement of additional soil cap material,
- Rock riprap slope stabilization near bridge abutments, and
- Re-grading of perimeter swale and stabilized swale crossings.

The estimated cost to complete the project is approximately \$450,000. No funds have been allocated to for the project and staff has been unsuccessful in obtaining grant monies.

Dave Collins, AGM for Management Services, discussed the various funding sources available, including Measure CC Contingency, Measure WW Contingency, District Fund 553, and District General Fund. Director Sutter stated that no Measure CC Contingency monies should be used for maintenance projects such as this project. He recommended that General Fund and Fund 553 monies be used to fund this project, and that staff should consult with District Counsel on whether or not the prior property owner, Catellus, might have liability for the site maintenance/remediation. Directors Dotson and Wieskamp both commented that this is an important project that must be undertaken.

After discussion, the Committee recommended that the project move forward; funding for the bridge repair should come from Fund 553; and staff look to a combination of funding sources, which does not include Measure CC Contingency, to fund the rock riprap work.

**By motion of Director Sutter and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board Executive Committee voted 3-0 to authorize staff to proceed with the project, without the use of Measure CC Contingency, and that staff look to other funding sources to fund the project.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky K. Pheng