

The Board Meeting, which was held on May 20, 2014 at the EBRPD Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland CA 94605 was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Board President Ayn Wieskamp.

## ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Ayn Wieskamp, President  
Whitney Dotson, Vice President  
Beverly Lane  
Carol Severin  
John Sutter  
Ted Radke

Directors Absent: Doug Siden

At this time, the Board of Directors met in **Closed Session** to discuss those items outlined on the agenda.

The **Open Session** of the Board Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Ayn Wieskamp.

Staff Present: GM Robert Doyle, Jim O'Connor, Bob Nisbet, Dave Collins, Police Chief Tim Anderson, Lt. Jon King, Steve Myli, Diane Althoff, Mona Koh, Bob Nisbet, Jessica Lau, John Bouyea, Liz Musbach, Jim Townsend, Carol Johnson, Jeff Rasmussen, Sukari Beshears, Josh Foster, Mark Ragatz, Michael Reeves, Jim O'Connor, Mona Koh, Bart O'Brien

## **A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

By motion of Director Sutter and seconded by Director Radke, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden.

## **B. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jon Hersam, Director, Community Integrated Work Program, thanked the board and staff for their search in locating Luis Zepeda who was separated from their group on January 2014. The search and rescue and staff was led by Lt. Jon King who was at the meeting and received the acknowledgement on the District's behalf.

Two members of the public spoke in support of the protest submitted by Sunrise Mountaineering regarding the concession RFP at Del Valle.

A member of the Board of the Fairview Fire Protection District spoke on behalf of a resolution on air quality monitoring encouraging the District to support the resolution on enhanced monitoring and coordinating with the County of Public Health.

## **C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**

### **I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

By motion of Director Radke and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar items:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden.

- C-1-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of April 7, 2014 through April 20, 2014.  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 121 (attached)
- C-1-b. Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meeting of April 15, 2014.
- C-1-c. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 -122 (attached)
- C-1-d. Authorization to Amend the Consulting Contract and Encumber Additional Funds for a Hydrologic Feasibility Assessment: Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 -123 (attached)
- C-1-e. Authorization to Apply for Grant Funds from the U.S. Department of Justice to Hire up to Two Police Officers  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 -124 (attached)
- C-1-f. Authorization to Purchase a One-Year Cisco SmartNet Telephone Network Support Services Contract  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 125 (attached)

### **2. FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

- C-2-a. Adoption of Resolution of Intention to Order Improvements, Grant Preliminary Approval to the Draft Engineer's Report, Establish Date of Public Hearing and Instruct the Clerk of the Board to Provide Appropriate Public Notice of Hearing: East Contra Costa County Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District (ECCC LLD)  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 126 (attached)

By motion of Director Radke and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-2-a:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden

AGM Collins gave a brief overview of this item, adding that the public hearing on this item will be at the June 17 at the Big Break Visitor Center. Director Sutter asked if the revenue for maintaining parkland includes the police. AGM Collins replied that it is from the General Fund. Director Sutter also asked if the HCP

acquisitions are in this area and if so, have funds been received for operations? GM Doyle responded that the District is receiving the funds to subsidize the cost for staff.

C-2-b. Adoption of Resolution of Intention to Order Improvements, Grant Preliminary Approval to the Draft Engineer's Report, Establish Date of Public Hearing and Instruct the Clerk of the Board to Provide Appropriate Public Notice of Hearing: Alameda County/Contra Costa County Regional Trails Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District (Two County LLD), including ZB-1 (Five Canyons), ZB-2 (Dublin Hills), ZB-3 (Walpert Ridge), ZB-4 (San Ramon Hills), ZB-5 (Stone Valley), and ZB-6 (Gateway Valley/Sibley Volcanic) (Zones of Benefit)  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 127 (attached)

By motion of Director Radke, and seconded by Director Dotson the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-2-b:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden

AGM Collins said this is the same presentation as Item C-2-a except it is District-wide. The public hearing for this particular item is scheduled for the July 1 Board meeting.

C-2-c. Authorization to Amend the 2014 Budget, Appropriate Funds and Close Measure WW Local Grant Program Projects  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 128 (attached)

By motion of Director Sutter and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-2-c:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden

Jeff Rasmussen, Grants Manager, presented this item which is the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the Measure WW Local Grants program.

By motion of Director Sutter and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-2-d:

C-2-d. Authorization to Amend the 2014 Budget for Federal TIGER II Grant and Measure AA and WW Fund Sources and Augment Construction Funds: District-Wide Regional Trails  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 129 (attached)

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden

Jim Townsend, Trails Development Manager, gave an overview of the program and the reasons for the amendment.

Director Sutter expressed concern regarding contingency funds and the possibility of changing the wording in the resolution for clarification. After consideration, staff amended the resolution.

### 3. LAND DIVISION

C-3-a. Authorization to Exercise the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Accept, Appropriate and Transfer Funds for the Acquisition in Partnership with the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy of 960 Acres of Real Property from the 1994 Anna Mae Diffin Smith Revocable Trust: Deer Valley Regional Park  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 130 (attached)

By motion of Director Radke and seconded by Director Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-3-a:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Ted Radke.

Liz Muzbach, Land Acquisition Manager, gave a brief presentation on this item. Director Radke commented on the tremendous job done by staff and on the partnership with the Conservancy. Director Lane asked about the staff process in finding funds and if they were involved in discussions with the Water Board. Ms. Muzbach responded that staff commissions the appraisals which are then given to the Wildlife Conservation Board and Dept. of General Services for approval by the Conservancy. Director Lane congratulated staff and asked about the naming of the park as a Regional Park vs. Preserve. GM Doyle said these were put on the Master Plan to recognize habitat values and open space as well as recreational opportunities. He added that the park name could be revisited during land use plans. Directors Sutter and Wieskamp added congratulations to staff, all partners, John Kopchik and Ted Director Radke. Director Wieskamp suggested that the Cultural Services Coordinator, Bev Ortiz, speak with members of this family.

C-3-b. Authorization to Enter into an Option, Purchase and Sale Agreement and Transfer Funds for the Acquisition of 56.57± Acres of Real Property from the Fries Family Trust: Garin Regional Park  
Resolution No. 2014 – 05 - 131 (attached)

By motion of Director Severin and seconded by Director Sutter, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-3-b:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.  
Directors Against: None.  
Directors Absent: Doug Siden

Michael Reeves, Land Acquisition Specialist, provided a powerpoint presentation on the land connection between Garin and Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park. Director Wieskamp suggested an appropriate thank you note be sent to all those who made the Walpert Ridge Donation Fund happen.

### 4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

GM Doyle reported on the items listed on the staff report.

## 5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

AGM Doyle introduced Sukari Beshears, the new HR Manager, who will officially begin on June 16, 2014.

Bart O'Brien, Garden Manager, gave a powerpoint presentation on the Botanic Garden. Mr. O'Brien highlighted pretty plants, staff and our infrastructure as well as the Friends Group that supports the Garden. The Garden will have the first ever fall plant sale and celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Director Wieskamp remarked that the garden needs to be as ADA compliant as possible. Director Sutter reported on the favorable comments received from the Olmsted tour attendees.

## 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

There were no announcements from the Closed Session.

## 7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Attended the Friends of Oakland Parks Annual Fundraiser
- Attended the Board Field trip to Sunol/Ohlone
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference and the Save the Bay Association event
- Attended the Legislative Committee Meeting and the SF Bay Restoration Authority Meeting
- Attended the Measure DD Committee Meeting

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended Board Field trip to Sunol/Ohlone and expressed his interest in maintaining the cultural resources at the Vargas Barn.
- Attended the Legislative Committee Meeting

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Attended the Operations Committee meeting and the Parks Advisory Committee meeting
- Helped set-up the EBRPD 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary displays at the Museum of the San Ramon Valley and the Danville Library with park brochures for the public.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Received an award from the National Outdoor Recreation and a \$25K donation from the Regional Park Foundation towards the establishment of the Carol Severin Memorial Scholarship created in her name for Parks, Recreation & Tourism students at SF State
- Attended the CARPD Conference in South Lake Tahoe

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the LAFCO meeting and the Board Field trip to Sunol/Ohlone
- Attended the Alameda County CSDA meeting and Operations Committee meeting
- Will be attending the Volunteer Dinner tomorrow night.

## D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted:  
Yolande Barial Knight  
Acting Clerk of the Board