

The Board Meeting, which was held on June 16, 2010 at the Senior Activity Center, 193 Griffith Lane, Brentwood, CA 94513, was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board Vice President Beverly Lane.

ROLL CALL

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

Directors Absent: Doug Siden, President

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

The Open Session of the Board Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Board President Doug Siden.

Staff Present Included: Pat O'Brien, Ted Radosevich, Dave Collins, Mike Anderson, Rosemary Cameron, Capt. Mark Ruppenthal, Jeff Wilson, Rick Parmer, Nancy Wenninger, Davio Santos, Tammy Mueller, Nancy Kaiser, Allen Pulido.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of Director Wieskamp and seconded by Director Radke, the Board voted to unanimously to approve the agenda, with an amended resolution submitted for item C-1-n.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Ernie Rodrigues, Chair of the Brentwood Parks and Recreation Commission, welcomed the Board and stated that this will be his last year on the Commission as he will be retiring, having spent 40 years on the Parks and Recreation field. Mr. Rodrigues added that he will always have fond memories of the Park District.

Director Doug Siden presented a Plaque of Appreciation as well as the Living Landscape book to Mr. Rodrigues on behalf of the Park District and its Board.

The Board was also welcomed by Parks and Recreation Commission Vice Chair Blythe Lind, Karen Spann, on behalf of the Brentwood Chamber of Commerce, Iris Obregon on behalf of Assembly member Joan Buchanan, Adam Walsh, District Representative, State Senator Mark DeSaulnier, and Carolina Salazar on behalf of Assembly member Tom Torlakson.

Director Siden expressed appreciation to Craig Bronzan, Brentwood Parks and Recreation Director and Recreation Manager Poldina Scherff for their assistance in the use of the City's Senior Activity Center for this meeting.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of May 23, 2010 Through May 31, 2010
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 147 (attached)

C-I-b. Approval of the Minutes of the April 20, 2010 Board Meeting

Director Radke abstained from approving item C-I-b as he was absent from that meeting.

C-I-c. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 148 (attached)

C-I-d. Resolution to Support Pending State Legislation AB 2103 (Hill) – San Francisco
Bay Restoration Authority Elections Clarification
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 149 (attached)

C-I-e. Resolution to Support Pending State Legislation SB 1061 (Hancock) –
Funding for Bicycle-Pedestrian Pathway on the Bay Bridge
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 150 (attached)

C-I-f. Authorization to Enter into a Three Year Contract with Wells Fargo Bank to Provide
General Banking Services
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 151 (attached)

C-I-g. Authorization to Accept Federal Stimulus Grant Funds from the Alameda Social Services'
AC HIRE Program and Transfer Matching Funds to Hire Temporary Employees
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 152 (attached)

C-I-h. Authorization to Amend a Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of
Transportation and to Accept Grant Funds to Hire Crews from Civicorps School
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 153 (attached)

C-I-i. Authorization to Transfer Funds and Accept Bid for Lighting Replacement: Ferry Point Pier,
Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline and Eckley Pier, Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 154 (attached)

- C-1-j. Authorization to Negotiate Additional Architectural Services - Tidewater Aquatic Center: Martin Luther King, Jr. Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 155 (attached)
- C-1-k. Authorization to Accept Renewal of Existing Insurance Programs
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 156 (attached)
- C-1-l. Authorization to Renew Existing Contract for Workers' Compensation Claims Administration
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 157 (attached)
- C-1-m. Authorization to Award Supplementary Contract for District Catfish Requirements for 2010 to 2011
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 158 (attached)
- C-1-n. Authorization to Appropriate City of Hercules Measure WW Local Grant Program Funding and Disburse Funds Into Escrow for Joint Project of Land Acquisition at the 483± Acre Franklin Canyon Property: Rancho Pinole Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 159 (attached)

Director Lane pointed out that a substitute resolution was introduced; Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, explained that this minor change would allow District staff to continue the appropriation of Measure WW funds and not delay the project should the City of Hercules not secure Council authorization at their meeting next week.

2. LAND DIVISION

- C-2-a. Approval of a Funding Agreement with Muir Heritage Land Trust and Authorization to Acquire a Conservation Easement and Trail Easements and Transfer Funds for the 483± Acre Franklin Canyon Property: Rancho Pinole Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 160 (attached)

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

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

Nancy Wenninger, Land Acquisition Manager, gave a brief presentation on this item, stating that this property is immediately north of the recently opened Fernandez Ranch. Ms. Wenninger enumerated the funding details as follows:

Appraised market value:	\$	<u>2,610,000</u>
State Coastal Conservancy:		1,000,000
City of Hercules (Measure WW Local Grant)		200,000
EBRPD (Measure WW)		1,005,000
Muir Heritage Land Trust		<u>405,000</u>
	\$	2,610,000

She also stated that in exchange for its contribution, EBRPD will acquire a conservation easement over the entire property. Muir Heritage Land Trust (MHLT) plans to expand the trail system from Fernandez Ranch onto this property. Ms. Wenninger clarified that MHLT will own and manage this property; the District's sole responsibility will be to monitor and enforce the conservation easement.

Mr. Linus Eukel, MHLT Executive Director, added that the proposed trail system will ultimately go across Highway 4 and serve as a connector to not only Crocket Hills Regional Park but also to Carquinez Bridge. He expressed his gratitude to the Board as well as District staff for their support and collaboration in moving this item forward.

C-2-b. Authorization to Execute the Option, Purchase and Sale Agreement and to Transfer Funds for the Acquisition in Partnership with the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy of the 1,021± acre Souza III Property: Byron Vernal Pools Regional Preserve
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 161 (attached)

By motion of Director Wieskamp and seconded by Director Radke, the Board voted unanimously to approve item C-2-b.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

Nancy Wenninger, Land Acquisition Manager provided a presentation on this item. She stated that this acquisition includes the existing 31 wind farm leases and 3 cell sites on the property which generate about \$315,000 per year. Through an agreement with the ECCHC, the revenue will be used for 1) management of land within the Vasco Road corridor; 2) to set up an endowment to pay for future management; and 3) provide for matching funds for future acquisitions in the area.

The funding sources were summarized as:

Acquisition Cost:	\$ 5,300,400
<u>Funding Sources:</u>	
Moore Foundation	\$ 2,000,000
East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy (through the Wildlife Conservation Board)	2,385,180
East Bay Regional Park District	<u>915,220</u>
	\$ 5,300,400

In response to a question by Director Sutter, Ms. Wenninger stated that the annual revenue for the wind farms is about \$250,000 for the next seven years and is scheduled to increase thereafter; the revenues will depend on the actual amount of electricity generated. She added that the current lease is good for another 17 years, with the lease holders having an option to renew for another 10 years; therefore, a decision as to whether to renew or not will not be needed for another 27 years.

The Board of Directors expressed its appreciation to the Souza family for their cooperation with the District.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

C-3-a. John Kopchik, Executive Director, East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy

Bruce Connelly, Chair of the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy (Conservancy), introduced John Kopchik, Executive Director of the Conservancy, who provided an update on the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan (ECCC HCP/NCCP) – Implementation, Land Acquisition, Habitat Restoration, Funding and On-going Partnership with the East Bay Regional Park District. Mr. Kopchik stated that the ECCC HCP/NCCP is essentially a conservation and mitigation plan for endangered species, but was also carefully written to be a conservation plan that works for recreation. He added that it is the first of its kind approved in Northern California, and would not have been possible without the cooperation of the East Bay Regional Park District. Mr. Kopchik spoke briefly about the history and milestones in the development of the HCP, as well as various restoration projects. The funding overview for the 5,042 acres purchased in partnership with the District is as follows:

<u>EBRPD:</u>	\$	5,380,000	(25%)
<u>Conservancy:</u>			
Federal Grants		12,020,000	
State Grants		600,000	
Moore Foundation		2,880,000	
Fees		<u>670,000</u>	
Conservancy Total		16,170,000	(75%)
 Total	\$	 21,540,000	

Director Radke commented that he represented the District during the planning process for the HCP and was amazed and very pleased at how quickly the plan has been implemented, even with the absence of any development that was supposed to pay for half of the plan.

4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

C-4-a. Delta Science Center Construction Update

Mike Anderson, Asst. General Manager, Planning/Stewardship and Development, provided a brief status report on the Delta Science Center, and showed several pictures of the construction in progress, including the buildings, amphitheater, kayak launch area, picnic sites and trails layout. Mr. Anderson stated that he anticipates to have the dedication in 2011. Rick Parmer, Chief of Interpretation and Recreation, gave a brief overview of the science and education aspects of the Delta Science Center, stating that District staff had worked with Friends of Marsh Creek to develop the initial concept for the area and are currently working towards the development of an “exhibit concept” plan. He added that staff is also looking at other funding opportunities to help pay for the exhibits.

Tom Lindemuth of the Delta Science Center thanked the Board for its leadership in bringing the Delta Science Center facility to the level that it is in now. He gave a brief presentation on the various citizen- scientist activities at Big Break.

C-4-b. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

General Manager Pat O'Brien discussed the items listed on the staff report.

5. FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

C-5-a PUBLIC HEARING

Approval of Engineer's Report for Fiscal Year 2010/11, Adopt Resolution Confirming Diagram and Assessment, Order Maintenance, Improvements and Levy Annual Assessment for East Contra Costa County Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District No. 1;
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 162 (attached)

By motion of Director Wieskamp and seconded by Director Radke, the Board voted unanimously to approve item C-5-a.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

Adopt Resolution Overruling Protests
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 163 (attached)

By motion of Director Radke and seconded by Director Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution overruling protests.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

Davio Santos, Unit Manager for Regional Trails/Alternative Work Program, introduced Tammy Mueller, Park Supervisor for East Contra Costa Trails, who gave a brief presentation on her area of responsibility, covering a multi-user trail system of over 30 miles, Antioch Shoreline, Bay Point as well as the District's Vasco properties.

Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, gave a brief presentation on item C-5-a, stating that this is the yearly Public Hearing process for the East Contra Costa County LLD. It is anticipated that revenues totaling \$667,347 will be raised in the 2010 and 2011 District fiscal year budgets.

Board President Siden opened the Public Hearing; since there were no requests to address the Board, he closed the Public Hearing thereafter.

C-5-b. Authorization of Grant Application and Appropriation of Board Contingency for
Federal TIGER II Grant: District-Wide Regional Trails
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 164 (attached)

By motion of Director Dotson and seconded by Director Sutter, the Board voted unanimously to approve item C-5-b.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Absent: None.

AGM Collins stated that while a Board item of this nature would have normally been taken up under Consent Calendar, it is being discussed in Open Session due to the magnitude of the amounts involved as well as the appropriation of \$20,000 in Board Contingency funds. He added that these are extremely competitive grants with a tight July, 2010 application deadline. Due to very specific requirements of Department of Transportation (DOT) programs, staff will be seeking professional assistance from firms with DOT grant experience and success.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

GM O'Brien summarized Public Safety Division's report as submitted in the Board packet. There were no staff presentations at this meeting.

Director Lane suggested that the Fire Department conduct a presentation to the Board during fire season on how it collaborates with other agencies within the District.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

Director Siden announced that the Board voted 6 – 0 in favor of the following resolution:

Authorization to Execute Amended and Restated Agreement Between Russell City Energy Company, LLC and the East Bay Regional Park District
Resolution No. 2010 – 6 - 165

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors Absent: Doug Siden.

8. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| a. | Executive Committee | (2-25-10) | (Siden) |
| b. | Executive Committee | (4-22-10) | (Siden) |
| c. | Finance Committee | (5-26-10) | (Severin) |

9. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Attended the Fernandez Ranch dedication by Muir Heritage Land Trust;
- Attended the recent Board workshop;
- Attended the Board field trip to Del Valle and other parks;
- Attended the other regularly-scheduled Board committee meetings.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Attended the recent Board workshop;
- Reported that during his recent trip to Cape Town, South Africa, they were passing ordinances to forbid the planting of eucalyptus as well as pine because of fire risk. He added that on the other hand, they were growing eucalyptus on a commercial basis (in the order of possibly a million acres).

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Attended the usual Board committee meetings;
- Hiked Sycamore Valley and Bollinger Canyon;

- Complimented staff of the Trails Challenge booklet which has been much improved;
- Visited the Oakland Museum, where there is a new History exhibit;
- Announced the dedication of the Treat Blvd Overcrossing in October;
- Visited the Big Break construction area;
- Attended the Fernandez Ranch dedication event;
- Attended the Board field trip.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the ABAG Regional Planning Committee meeting;
- Attended the Board workshop;
- Attended the Ecology Committee meeting;
- Attended the LARPD – EBRPD Liaison Committee meeting;
- Attended the Board field trip;
- Addressed the Rotary Club of Castro Valley at their recent meeting;
- With Director Wieskamp, had some discussions in a meeting with individuals involved with the Dumbarton Quarry.

Director Dotson did not provide a report.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Spoke before the Livermore Rotary Club;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference in Dublin;
- Attended the LARPD-EBRPD Liaison Committee meeting
- Attended the Board field trip;
- Attended a meeting regarding Dumbarton Quarry;
- Will be having a meeting on the Iron Horse Trail gap in Pleasanton as well as a cultural resources meeting on Brushy Peak with Native Americans.

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended the meeting on the Gateway Park project;
- Attended the recent Regional Parks Foundation Board meeting;
- Attended a retreat of the CSSC-JPA Board;
- Attended the East Bay Economic Development Alliance meeting;
- Attended the Concerts of the Cove event in Alameda;
- Attended the Rotary Club meeting as well as an EMBUD briefing.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned by Board President Siden at 8:55 p.m.

Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2010 – 6 - 147 to 2010 - 6 – 164.
Board Committee Reports