

Advisory Board of Directors
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 6:30pm
Mission Oaks Community Center,
4701 Gibbons Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608

MORPD Directors Present: Nguyen, Price, Ontiveros, Donnelly and Alcalay

MORPD Staff Present: Harrison, Newman, Ross, Paredes-Banville and Tierney

Public Present: Susan Breese, Rick Hanson, Meg Halloran, Linda Martin, Paula Jordan, Daniel Barton, Gwen Schoen, Jackie Kelso, Mary Joy, Mariana Marin, Robert Cervantes, Paul Blaise, Pete Kneedler, Richard Mancina, Candace Gilmore, Karla Moore, Linda Polowski, Kathleen Newton, Ellen and Greg Gillen, Tom and Diane Currier, George Guillen, Ken Payne, Paige Decker, David Bolland, Marc Johnson, Pat Sieberg, Alex Peterson, Susan Hobbs, Jack Knutson, Ed Harris, Suzi Kneedler, Emily Holloway, Don Mongeau, Leona Gannon, Shaun Dillon, Johnny Vega, Edmundo Velez, Maria Carraza, Shireen Miles, Suzanne Prewitt, Kathleen Newton, Kathy Clay, Tom and Katie Will, Sharon Brough, Leona Gannon, Elaine Bickford, Bob Canady, Jim Pelzman, Mady Moll, Pat Landgraf, Gwen Schoen, Rick Hanson, and Paula Jordan.

1. **Call to Order:** 6:35pm by Chairman Nguyen

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Director Ontiveros

3. Chairperson's Comments: None

4. Board Comments/Discussion: Director Alcalay thanks Director of Parks TJ Newman for the quick response to remove graffiti from area parks.

5. Public Comment: None

6. Information:

- A. Monthly Billing and Budget Report, Period 12, June 1-30, 2016 and Period 13, July 1-12, 2016 by Director of Administrative Services Cindy Paredes-Banville.
- B. Parks Division Report by Director of Parks TJ Newman.
- C. Recreation Division Report by Director of Recreation Barry Ross.
- D. Personnel Committee Report.
- E. Photos of Interest by Staff.

7. Action:

A. Consent

- 1. Approval of July 12, 2016 Advisory Board (6pm) Regular Meeting Minutes.
- 2. Approval of July 12, 2016 Advisory Board (7pm) Special Meeting Minutes.
- 3. Approval of July 22, 2016 Advisory Board Special Meeting Minutes.
- 4. Approval of August 1, 2016 Joint Advisory Board Special Meeting Minutes.

Action: On a motion by Director Alcalay, seconded by Director Price. The Board voted to approve consent items as presented. Directors Nguyen, Price, Donnelly, Ontiveros and Alcalay approve the motion.

B. Discussion:

1. Approve Consolidation Feasibility Study Staff Recommendation.

Interim Director Jack Harrison summarized the Feasibility Study process that took place between May and August 9, including public testimony during meetings held June 20, July 12 and August 1. Staff is recommending the Advisory Board adopt Option Two described in the Consolidation Feasibility Study.

Public comment received by:

<u>Don Moneau</u>: Explained that he had the opportunity to tour Carmichael parks, review the activity guide, and found that there were many more services provided than he originally thought. He expressed his delight and offered an apology for his previous comments to the Board.

Leona Brannan: Opposed consolidation.

Suzanne Prewitt: Questioned why something was not done before the CRPD deferred maintenance came to be such a large financial crisis. Why is the Advisory Board continuing to discuss the Consolidation Feasibility Study when there are so many financial errors and omissions? Why aren't they being corrected before a vote takes place? Why has this been discussed since November 2015 but the residents didn't receive information until April 2016? During the last three meetings only one person has stood up in support of the consolidation, Peter Tateishi, he identified himself as a CRPD resident. He did not identify himself as a former Advisory Board member of CRPD of eight years, and feels he may be part of the financial demise. Suzanne's opinion is that this entire process has not been transparent to the residents and asks that the Advisory Board not vote to consolidate the two districts.

Shireen Miles: Resident of MORPD supports Option Two.

Susan Hobbs: Opposes consolidation out of concerns for what is best for MORPD.

<u>Kathleen Newton</u>: Resident of MORPD participates in Ashton Parks National Night Out. She is concerned that the email blast and normal posting procedures were not enough notice to district residents regarding this topic. In the future, she requests that at least one notice be mailed to all district residents when items of such importance are being voted on.

<u>David Bolland</u>: MORPD Citizens Oversight Committee member, former MORPD Advisory Board Member, supports consolidation, stating that it is good government to improve effeciencies and bring good services to the next level.

<u>Rick Hensen</u>: MORPD resident, Maddox Park user believes some of the recommendations are highly suspect; one District is well staffed and maintained, while the other not so much. He opposes consolidation of the Districts, and asks that the Advisory Board adopt the staff recommendation to follow option two.

Meg Hallern: MORPD resident thanked and commended the Advisory Board and staff for running the District responsibly. She opposes the consolidation and request the record reflect the overwhelming negative response opposing the consolidation.

Robert Cervantes: MORPD resident.

<u>Paula Jordan</u>: CRPD resident and representative of Boy Scout Troop 55 stated that she wasn't in support of or in opposition to the Consolidation Feasibility Study but wanted reassurance that the Advisory Boards are considering the external organizations that use park facilities. Boy Scout Troop 55 currently uses the CRPD Clubhouse.

<u>Candice Gilmore</u>: MORPD resident opposes the Consolidation and wants the public to know there are three versions, all contain several errors. This report should be corrected so that it is accurate.

Shaun Dillion: CPRD resident agrees with Candice Gilmores information that the report be corrected before any decisions are made. Thanks the for public for participating.

<u>Greg Gillion</u>: Does not feel the residents were part of creating the study, he feels after reading the study it is biased and the opinions go in one direction. CPRD needs funds. By maintaining Status Quo, it doesn't prohibit future review by the new District Administrator.

<u>Director Price</u>: Reiterated there has been no political pressure from Supervisor Peters to vote one way or the other and thanked residents for coming and participating in the meetings.

<u>Director Donnelly</u>: Pointed out that MORPD is an unusual public agency in that it is strongly supported and highly regarded by the people it serves and that that relationship, which he feels would be jeopardized by consolidation, should be treasured and preserved. The consolidation report identifies some long-standing problems in Carmichael, the resolution of which would almost certainly be given high priority in a consolidated district. That would necessarily divert resources which otherwise would be available for MORPD to maintain the high level of service for which residents voted in 1999. Consolidation should only be considered when there are comparable benefits to both entities, and he does not see such comparability in the consolidation report. He therefore supports the staff recommendation.

<u>Director Ontiveros</u>: Thanked the residents for participating and supports the staff recommendation.

<u>Director Alcalay</u>: Stated that although CPRD residents did not come out either way to give their opinion believes some change needs to occur to provide efficient delivery of services so he will be supporting the staff recommendation.

<u>Chairperson Nghia Nguyen</u>: Echo's all of the comments from other Advisory Board members, thanked the residents for participating in the process and will entertain a motion to adopt staff recommendation.

Action: On a motion by Director Donnelly, seconded by Director Ontiveros. The Board voted to approve staff recommendation to proceed with Option Two of the Consolidation Feasibility Study. Directors Nguyen, Price, Donnelly, Ontiveros and Alcalay approve the motion.

2. Approval of Resolution 2016-04 Approving Engineer's Report, Confirming Diagram and Assessment and Ordering Levy of Assessment for Fiscal Year 2016-17 for the Mission Oaks Park Maintenance And Recreation Improvement District.

Open Public Hearing 8pm:

<u>Public Comment</u>: Dave Bolland speaking as a former Advisory Board member and as a citizen serving on the MORPD Oversight Committee encouraged the Advisory Board to approve the increase in the assessed amount from \$48.37 to \$49.82. The District has continued to spend funds appropriately on planned improvement projects which is within the original scope of the assessment.

Closed Public Hearing 8:06pm.

Action: On a motion by Director Price, seconded by Director Donnelly. The Board voted to approve the Engineer's Report, Confirming Diagram and Assessment and Ordering Levy of Assessment for Fiscal Year 2016-17 for the Mission Oaks Park Maintenance and Recreation Improvement District. Directors Nguyen, Price, Donnelly and Ontiveros approve the motion. Director Alcalay opposes the proposed motion to increase the amount from \$48.37 to \$49.82.

3. Approval of proposed FY 2016-17 District General Fund Budget and FY 2016-17 Mission Oaks Park and Recreation Maintenance and Improvement District Budget.

Action: On a motion by Director Price, seconded by Director Ontiveros. The Board voted to approve the proposed FY 2016-17 District General Fund Budget and proposed FY 2016-17 Mission Oaks Park Maintenance and Recreation Improvement District Budget. Directors Nguyen, Price, Donnelly, Ontiveros and Alcalay approve the motion.

4. Approval of Facility Policy and Fees

Action: None taken, continued to a future meeting

5. Award a Contract for the Eastern Oak Park Restroom to the Public Restroom Company

Action: On a motion by Director Alcalay, seconded by Director Ontiveros. The Board voted to award the contract for the Eastern Oak Park Restroom to the Public Restroom Company. Directors Nguyen, Price, Donnelly, Ontiveros and Alcalay approve the motion.

6. Approve the Eastern Oak Project for Public Bidding by Sacramento County

Action: On a motion by Director Donnelly, seconded by Director Price. The Board voted to approve the Eastern Oak Project for Public Bidding by Sacramento County. Directors Nguyen, Price, Donnelly, Ontiveros and Alcalay approve the motion.

8. Staff Comments/Reports:

Interim District Administrator Jack Harrison made a brief announcement regarding the contract for incoming District Administrator Daniel Barton.

The Advisory Board recesses to Closed Session at 8:32pm.

Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9, District Administrator (Public Employment) Regular meeting reopens at 8:42pm. The Chairperson stated nothing to report.

9. Future Meeting: Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 13, at 6:30pm, at Swanston Community Center.

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10. Adjournment: 8:42 pm

Debra Tierney, Clerk of the Board

Date

October 11, 2016