

### MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL AND HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Conference Room 2A 777 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541 Monday, October 30, 2017, 5:00 p.m.

The Special Joint City Council and Hayward Area Recreation and Park District Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Mayor Halliday at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Halliday.

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **CITY COUNCIL**

Present: COUNCIL MEMBERS Zermeño, Mendall, Peixoto, Lamnin, Salinas

MAYOR Halliday

Absent: COUNCIL MEMBER Márquez (arrived after roll call)

#### HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT (HARD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Present: PRESIDENT Andrade

VICE-PRESIDENT Pereira SECRETARY Hatcher DIRECTOR Jameson

Absent: DIRECTOR Hodges (arrived after roll call)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

City Manager McAdoo spoke about updates that were done to Apple iOS and iLegislate.

#### WORK SESSION

1. Joint Meeting to Receive Updates on La Vista Park and Other Projects (Report from City Manager McAdoo and General Manager McCreary) **WS 17-052** 

Staff report submitted by HARD General Manager McCreary and City Manager McAdoo, dated October 30, 2017, was filed.

City Manager McAdoo announced the item and introduced Senior Planner Golubics who noted that Surface Design Inc., was retained to prepare refined plans for the La Vista Park development, and handed over the presentation to its principal, Mr. James Lord.

Mr. James Lord, Principal from Surface Design Inc., provided a presentation of the refined plans for La Vista Park and showed its renderings.

Members of the City Council and the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD) Board of Directors were in general agreement with the conceptual plan and layout for La Vista Park and offered the following suggestions: consider a second bathroom or one with adequate stalls and smart designs that are accessible; consider appropriate lighting to be able

to walk through the park safely; add features to educate the public about what they are seeing at the park and incorporate the history of the area in a creative way; take advantage of the topography and connection trails; consider public safety personnel for the park; partner with local businesses to offer programming onsite and consider ideas for food trucks and others; enhance the place using natural rocks to the scenery; keep native flowers; consider Wi-Fi connection at the park; expand the possibilities for the park with marketing and programming; consider a call box that can be turned to illuminate after there is a star gazing event; consider small enclosed playground space; consider large barbecue grills; consider the anthropological aspect of the park; outreach to the academic institutions and have Anthropology students review the plans for the development of the park; consider rules for allowing outdoor music at the park; consider active use space such as slides going down the hill and zip lines; replace the ropes differently every two or three years; give thought to having the park open dawn to dusk; and integrate a thriving entrance to the park to make it attractive to visitors.

General Manager McCreary introduced Capital Planning and Development Director, Meghan Tiernan, who provided an oral report on current plans for the Hayward Community Gardens. A final conceptual master plan for the Hayward Community Garden was distributed during the meeting.

Discussion ensued about the Community Gardens regarding plots; outreach to gardeners and their participation; barbecue grills; and power lines and safety concerns.

Members of the City Council offered suggestions for the Hayward Community Gardens: consider rain water catchment; consider the garden as a catalyst that can unify the neighborhood in the area around the garden; consider funding from other sources and use the park-in-lieu fees for new parks and expansion of parks; and consider a space for the farmers to sell their produce.

General Manager McCreary and Capital Planning and Ms. Meghan Tiernan provided an update on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and Public Facility Impact Fee Study.

City Manager McAdoo provided an overview of Tennyson Park. There was a request to have more lights at Tennyson Park. General Manager McCreary provided an update on the fundraising and pledges received for Mia's Dream Playground at Tennyson Park.

There was a suggestion to have more City of Hayward/HARD joint meetings to continue to address joint use of facilities, joint training and cross training of staff, disaster preparedness, and the role of the volunteer coordinator. City Manager McAdoo noted a meeting of the Hayward Local Agencies Committee with the three agencies was being scheduled in December.

General Manager McCreary provided a brief update about the partnership for the volunteer coordinator. Mr. McCreary indicated that the Hayward Unified School District was no longer going to be involved in the partnership and the City of Hayward and HARD would keep the position in full capacity. HARD Recreation Superintendent, Kerrilyn Ely, provided a list of the



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large events for the City of Hayward and HARD.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Halliday adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

# APPROVED: Barbara Halliday Mayor, City of Hayward ATTEST:

Miriam Lens City Clerk, City of Hayward