

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the telephonic Board Retreat Special Meeting at 12:30 p.m. Present were President Sylvia Patsouras, Vice-President Lynn Alvarez, Commissioners Tafarai Bayne, Nicole Chase, and Joseph Halper. Also present were Michael A. Shull, General Manager, Anthony-Paul Diaz, Executive Officer and Chief of Staff, Assistant City Attorney Mike Dundas, and Deputy City Attorney III Steven Hong.

The following Department staff members were also present:

Jimmy Kim, Acting Assistant General Manager, Recreation Services Branch
Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch
Noel Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Branch

CALL TO ORDER

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments on matters within the Board's jurisdiction were invited, no such requests were submitted.

RETREAT PRESENTATION

ITEM #1 – Update on 7 Strategic Planning Goals (provide background on 5-year plan)

Goal 1: *Provide Safe and Equitable Parks*

- Park Access Update
- Community School Program

Goal 2: *Offer Affordable and equitable Recreation Programming*

- PLAYLA Launch

Goal 3: *Create and maintain World Class Parks and Facilities*

- Significant Project completions (Rancho, Robertson, etc.)
- Recent approval of \$75M in Deferred Maint type projects
- Types of projects to be started this year (Lighting, playgrounds, restrooms, etc....)
- Response to Homelessness park issues (BIID Crew metrics and description of housing-led services)

Goal 4: *Actively Engage Communities*

- New APP
- New Website

Goal 5: *Ensure an Environmentally Sustainable Park System*

- Sustainability updates

Goal 6: *Build Financial Strength and Innovative Partnerships*

- Current Budget update
- Planned FY 2022-23 budget Submissions (due date Nov 19)
- Sponsorship policy draft guidelines

Goal 7: *Maintain A Diverse and Dynamic Workforce*

- Hiring update
- Department response on Racial Equity issues

ITEM #2 – Pandemic Response Updates

- City Staff
- Volunteers and Officials
- Public facilities
- Alternative Programming Options

DISPOSITION: NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

Michael A. Shull, General Manager, Jimmy Kim, Acting Assistant General Manager , Recreation Services Branch, Noel Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Branch, Darryl Ford, Superintendent, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch, Sondra Fu, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Administration, Finance Branch, Harold Fujita, Personnel Director, Human Resources Division, Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst and Ryan Carpio, Service Coordinator, Special Operations Branch presented the items listed above.

RETREAT PRESENTATION PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments relevant to the Presentation were requested; one such request was submitted.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Comments from the Commissioners on Matters within the Board's jurisdiction and Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items were requested. Commissioner Halper and Vice President Alvarez requested a status update from the Forestry division on their efforts in the department. Commissioner Alvarez also requested information regarding the use of native trees. Commissioner Chase would like a report back on the Hansen Dam and the Los

Angeles Equestrian Center. Commissioner Chase requested more information related to change order protocols.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

ATTEST



PRESIDENT



BOARD SECRETARY