

City of Santa Rosa

Finley Center 2060 W. College Avenue Cypress Room

Board of Community ServicesRegular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gow called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Childs and Quandt arrived at 4:13pm.

Present: 4 - Chair Stanley Gow, Board Member Carole Quandt, Board Member

Diane Test and Board Member Sandra Wandel

Absent: 1 - Board Member Carolina Spence

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rochelle Cook Johnson from Santa Rosa Youth Soccer League (SRYSL) requested reconsideration of permit fees for selling bottled water and snacks at tournaments, and asked for additional drinking fountains at A Place to Play.

Duane De Witt favors no fees for youth soccer, less concise meeting minutes and better communication. He commented on a positive Earth Day cleanup in Roseland on Saturday April 22nd.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 March 22, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the March 22, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted.

5. UPCOMING EVENTS AND REPORTS ON ACCOMPLISHED EVENTS

Director Smejkal announced the Volunteer Appreciation Event tonight at 6:00pm, and the success of the Merit Awards event on April 24th. The opening celebration of Courthouse Square is April 29th at 12:30 pm. The Bicycle Pump Track grand opening celebration is May 6th.

Kelly Magnuson, Deputy Director - Recreation announced a free kids' tennis clinic at Galvin Park April 29 at 1pm, and recognition of SRTC for court resurfacing donations immediately following at 3:00pm. The Senior Expo is May 6th, 9am to 12pm at the Person Senior Wing. Magnuson stated over 300 applications were received for the summer Work Experience Program.

6. DIRECTOR UPDATES

None

7. SCHEDULED ITEMS

7.1 A PLACE TO PLAY PROPOSED MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT

Deputy Director Jen Santos and Water Department staff will present a proposal for a park master plan amendment at A Place to Play. Changes include locations for an emergency well, a pump house, and a group picnic area.

Recommended Action: Information, discussion, approval

Jen Santos, Deputy Director - Parks, presented a proposal for a master plan amendment to include existing test well and pump station, new emergency well and pump station and new picnic areas.

Jennifer Burke, Water Department Deputy Director, reported that the City is in critical need of emergency ground water wells and the test well will be converted to help meet that need. After Council approval of the park master plan amendment, Water Department will notify the public of specific information on emergency well construction, including direct mail to residents and web site. Discussion ensued and Board approved amendment, with addition of drinking fountains on the master plan.

Public Comments: John Quinn, SRYSL president, stated one drinking fountain at A Place to Play is inadequate and believes the installation of water bottle filling stations and drinking fountains should be a priority.

7.2 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Deputy Director Jen Santos will present information regarding the status of current Recreation and Parks capital improvements.

Recommended Action: Information

Jen Santos, Deputy Director - Parks, reported on capital improvements which include a grant application for A Place to Play, future agreement with LandPaths for garden operation at Bayer, electrical replacement and some court repainting at Galvin, ADA pathway projects at Howarth, ponds resurfacing and potential agreement with a non-profit for concessions/restroom at Juilliard, community meetings for master plan input for Kawana Springs, and completion of restrooms and rinse shower at Prince Gateway Park.

7.3 PUBLIC ART HIGHLIGHTS

Arts Coordinator Tara Thompson will provide highlights of the public art program and the status of current projects.

Recommended Action: Information

Arts Coordinator Tara Thompson presented highlights of art projects. The Dragon Mural at Prince Memorial Greenway was restored. Bayer Park murals are complete. Projects in progress include Meter Made, Zag repair and relocation, Public Art Collection Assessment, and Downtown Connect (Sunflower at Depot Park and Mural at Roxy movie theater).

7.4 FEE PROPOSALS

Deputy Director Kelley Magnuson will present proposed changes to the Recreation and Parks master fee schedule.

Recommended Action: Information, discussion

Deputy Director Kelley Magnuson presented updates on fee recommendations to answer questions from the board from the March meeting. Topics included athletic fields, tennis court rentals, aquatics, new alcohol fee, new non-resident fee for rentals and admissions, coffee service for rental groups, golf course capital improvement fees and golf course greens fees.

Public Comment:

Peter Colbert requested clarification about new seasonal SRYSL fees and tournament fees.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Mayor's Lunch for Committee/Board Chairs

Recommended Action: Information

No meeting

8.2 Santa Rosa Waterways Advisory Committee

Recommended Action: Information

No meeting

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8.3 Merit Awards Subcommittee

Recommended Action: Information

Test reported an overflow crowd for Merit Awards on April 24th. The highlight was a 91 year old recipient who was overjoyed at being recognized for 25 years of volunteerism.

9. WRITTEN AND/OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from SRYSL Block Blast Newsletter

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gow adjourned the meeting at 5:39pm. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

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