# HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, June 12, 2024

#### **MINUTES**

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Hesperia Recreation and Park District Board of Directors Regular Meeting was called to order by President Gregg at 6:00 p.m., at the Lime Street Park Community Center, located at 16292 Lime Street, Hesperia, CA 92345.

# ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

BOARD PRESENT: Aguilar, Roberts, Gonzalez, Irish, Gregg

BOARD ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Louie, Schauwecker, Zepeda, Artola, Varner, Hauser,

Ramos, Hernandez

OTHERS: Mr. Hawkins, Alejandro Chavez SB Arts Connection, Ms.

Tammy, Artist Vanessa and Members of HD Family Events

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA -

It was moved by Director Aguilar to Approve the Agenda. Director Irish seconded to approve the Agenda. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Gonzalez, Roberts, Aguilar, Irish, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

#### FLAG SALUTE

The Flag Salute was led by Director Gonzalez.

#### PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

c. Presentation: Juan Ramos, Community Outreach Coordinator – Honoring Ms. Tammy for her years of service to HRPD and the impact she has had on the many generations of children.

## MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

Welcome to this Board of Directors Meeting. The Board encourages public participation. If you desire to address the Board on any District-related matter or item on the Agenda, you are asked to please fill out one of the speaker forms in the back of the meeting room and turn it in to the General Manager. When called upon, please come forward, and state your name and address (if you wish) before addressing the Board. Please limit your comments to five minutes per speaker.

Please note that if you address the Board on items NOT on the Agenda, the Brown Act does not allow discussion of such items. Therefore, the Board may only do the following: refer the matter to staff, ask for additional information, request a report back, or give a very limited factual response.

- Gary Drylie addressed the Board regarding concerns over turnover and instability of the General Manager position over the years and the general liability and workers compensation insurance.
- Calvin Louie addressed the Board as a member of the public. He addressed his concern over the general liability and workers compensation insurance.

Meeting recessed into closed session at 6:36 p.m. Meeting reconvened from open session at 7:40 p.m.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

The following items are expected to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion, unless a Board member requests that an item be removed from the consent agenda and held for discussion.

A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, May 29, 2024

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gonzalez and seconded by Director Aguilar to approve Consent Items A. Motion was amended to approve Consent Items A. and B. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Aguilar, Roberts, Gonzalez, Irish, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

#### PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

None

### **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- B. Discussion/Action Item: Create Together/Lifting Our Stories Art Projects
  - a. Alejandro Chavez of SB Arts connection presented their updated concept design for the Epicenter. They explained the event that will be hosted in concert with the community mural painting project. Board approved Design number 1 with an update to the uniform to reflect VV College or our in-house uniforms.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Vice President Roberts to Approve concept design 1 with the changes to the uniform. Director Gonzalez seconded to approve the design. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Gonzalez, Irish, Aguilar, Roberts, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Meeting recessed from open session at 6:36 p.m. Meeting reconvened into closed session at 7:45 p.m.

C. **PUBLIC HEARING** - Regarding Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1, for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

President Gregg opened the public hearing at 7:46pm.

Director Roberts confirmed that there was no one in attendance wishing to speak on the item.

President Gregg closed the public hearing at 7:47pm

**MOTION:** It was moved by President Gregg to Approve the public hearing for to approve the order of the levy and collection of assessments for landscape and lighting assessment district No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2024/2025. Vice President Roberts seconded to approve the public hearing. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Gonzalez, Irish, Aguilar, Roberts, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

D. Approval of Resolution No. 24-06-01, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Recreation and Park District, California, Amending or Approving the Engineer's Report and Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1, for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

**MOTION:** It was moved by Vice President Roberts to Approve Resolution No. 24-06-01, amending or approving the engineer's report and ordering the levy. Director Gonzalez seconded to approve resolution. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Gonzalez, Irish, Aguilar, Roberts, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

E. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Regarding Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 2, Including All Zones, for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

President Gregg opened the public hearing at 7:48pm.

Vice President Roberts confirmed that there was no one in attendance wishing to speak on the item.

President Gregg closed the public hearing at 7:48pm

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gonzalez to Approve the public hearing for to approve the order of the levy and collection of assessments for landscape and lighting assessment district No. 2 for Fiscal Year 2024/2025. Director Aguilar seconded to approve the public hearing. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Gonzalez, Irish, Aguilar, Roberts, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

F. Approval of Resolution No. 24-06-02, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Recreation and Park District, California, Amending or Approving the Engineer's Report and Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 2, Including All Zones, for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gonzalez to Approve Resolution No. 24-06-02, amending or approving the engineer's report and ordering the levy and collection of assessments for landscaping and lighting assessment district no. 2. Director Aguilar seconded to approve resolution. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Irish, Aguilar, Roberts, Gonzalez, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

G. Approval of Resolution No. 24-06-03, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Recreation and Park District, California, Adopting the GANN Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Aguilar to Approve Resolution No. 24-06-03, adopting the GANN appropriations limit for FY 2024/2025. Director Gonzalez seconded to approve resolution. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Aguilar, Roberts, Gonzalez, Irish, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

H. Discussion/Action Item: Review and Approval of Auditors RFP

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Aguilar to Approve RFP for CJ Brown & Company. Director Irish seconded to approve the RFP. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Roberts, Gonzalez, Irish, Aguilar, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

- I. **Discussion/Action Item:** Review of Fiscal Year 2024/2025 HARD Draft Foundation Budget
  - a. Director Aguilar gave a summary of the Draft Foundation budget from the finance committee meeting. There were some concerns that will be addressed and corrected for review at the next meeting.
- J. Discussion/Action Item: Review of Fiscal Year 2024/2025 District Draft Budget
  - a. President Gregg gave a summary of the Draft District budget from the finance committee meeting. Director Aguilar highlighted the reserves in the LMD section and suggested creating a master fee schedule. A 2% COLA was drafted for Board review and approval. Another draft revision will be provided for the next meeting.
- K. **Discussion/Action Item:** Approval of Resolution No. 24-06-04, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Recreation and Park District, California, Declaring July as Parks Make Life Better!® Month

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gonzalez to Approve Resolution No. 24-06-04, declaring July as Parks Make Life Better Month. President Gregg seconded to approve resolution. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Roberts, Gonzalez, Irish, Aguilar, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

- L. Discussion/Action Item: Lime Street Park Community Center Glass Door
  - b. President Gregg moved the item to the next meeting as it was in the spending authority of \$10,000.00 for the General Manager.
- M. Discussion/Action Item: Percy Bakker Community Center Electrical Panel Cover
  - c. Director Aguilar gave direction for staff to approve the lowest possible bid.

- N. **Discussion/Action Item:** Purchase of TV Monitor at Lime Street & Percy Bakker Community Center
  - a. Director Aguilar gave direction for staff to approve the lowest possible bid.
- O. **Discussion/Action Item:** Human Resources Contract Services Updates and Recommendations
  - a. President Gregg direction to staff to get pricing and bring back this back to the next board meeting
- P. Discussion/Action Item: Review of contract for legal services with Leal and Trejo, P.C.
  - a. Mr. Hawkins stated that these legal services are necessary, rates are in line with the general marketplace. They have over 3 decades of experience and are well vetted. This legal service is required for some pending matters.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Roberts to Approve item P. Director Gonzalez seconded to approve item P. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Roberts, Gonzalez, Aguilar, Irish, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

- Q. Discussion/Action Item: RFP for new General Manager
  - a. Mr. Hawkins does not have the back-up information on this item. Suggested to use a company to vet and hire a General Manager. There are several ways for the Board to fill the position. There is not enough information to make a decision and to move the item to the next meeting.
- R. **Action Item:** Vote in New Board Secretary

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Roberts to Vote in Frances Schauwecker as the new board secretary. Director Irish seconded to the vote. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Aguilar, Roberts, Gonzalez, Irish, Gregg

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

d.

## CORRESPONDENCE/WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

President Gregg received compliment form a citizen commending officer Montes for his professionalism in dealing with people in the community.

Director Gonzales found an article from the Daily Press about the farmer's market. Wanted to thank them for the write up.

#### GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

- General Liability and Workers Compensation Updates
   Recommending taking the handout report from GM as the GM report.
- b. Update on Rick Novack
   Recommending taking the handout report from GM as the GM report.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

- Aguilar commented on the food trucks leaving grease on. Is there something we can do to prevent it.
- Gonzalez thanking staff, it's been a rough time and are here for the community. Thank you to everyone and hang in there.
- Irish wanted to clarify if there was to be a skate park and splash pad at Timberlane park.
- Gregg addressing the public comment made earlier, there is information in the handout you can believe or not believe but there are things going on in the district that you don't know about. But you can reserve your opinions once the other information becomes available. We will get through this, but it will take time.

## **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

## Standing Committees:

## Recreation Foundation - Gonzalez/Irish

Director Gonzalez reported on the May 16th and May 23rd meeting.

Tri-Agency - Aguilar/Gonzalez (no meeting held)

# Safety, Security, and Maintenance - Gregg/Roberts

Vice President Roberts reported on the May 16th meeting.

**Personnel - Gregg/Aguilar** (no meeting held)

Finance - Aguilar/Gregg -

Director Aguilar and President Gregg reported on the June 4<sup>th</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup> meetings.

**Development Review - Gregg/**Roberts (no meeting held)

Event - Irish/Gonzalez -

Director Irish and Director Gonzalez on the May 23rd Meeting.

**Recreation** – Roberts/Irish –

Director Gonzalez reported on the May 16th meeting

Policy Review - Aguilar/Gregg - No Meeting Held

#### Other:

# Association of the San Bernardino County Special Districts -

President Gregg reported on the June 10th meeting

Meeting recessed from open session at 8:34 p.m.

Meeting reconvened into closed session at 9:20 p.m.

#### **CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

- S. **Conference with Legal Counsel** Anticipated Litigation Government Code 54956.9 (e) (1) 4 items
- T. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE** Government Code Section 54957

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## REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

• It was reported that Mr. Louie was placed on Administrative Leave

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. and will be held in the Lime Street Community Center at 16292 Lime Street, Hesperia, CA 92345.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by declaration by President Gregg at 11:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Hernandex

Acting General Manager

Frances Schauwecker

Board Secretary/Clerk of the Board