

AGENDA

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

Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

EXPO Center Comrie Hall
3980 South Bill Robertson Lane
Los Angeles, CA 90037

SYLVIA PATSAOURAS, PRESIDENT
LYNN ALVAREZ, VICE PRESIDENT
MELBA CULPEPPER, COMMISSIONER
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IRIS ZUÑIGA, COMMISSIONER

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PURSUANT TO COMMISSION POLICY, COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE HEARD ONLY AT THE TIME THE RESPECTIVE ITEM IS CONSIDERED, FOR A CUMULATIVE TOTAL OF UP TO FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES FOR EACH ITEM. ALL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON ALL OTHER MATTERS WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD WILL BE HEARD DURING THE "PUBLIC COMMENTS" PERIOD OF THE MEETING. EACH SPEAKER WILL BE GRANTED TWO MINUTES, WITH FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES TOTAL ALLOWED FOR PUBLIC PRESENTATION.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 7, 2015

2. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

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| 15-219 | Various Communications |
| 15-220 | Hollywood Recreation Center – Pool and Pool Building (PRJ1402B) (W.O. #E170344) – Acceptance and Release of Stop Payment Notices on Construction Contract No. 3454 |
| 15-221 | Griffith Park – Greek Theatre Facility Historical Enhancement (W.O. #E1907891) – Approval of Final Plans and Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act |

3. NEW BUSINESS:

- Informational Report – Summer 2015 – Activity Report
- Informational Report – Gladys Park and San Julian Park at Skid Row

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4. COMMISSION TASK FORCES:

- Commission Task Force on Concessions Report – Commissioners Zuñiga and Culpepper
- Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance Report – Commissioners Sanford and Alvarez

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT:

Report on Department Activities and Facilities

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Any comments that require a response or report by staff will be automatically referred to staff.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Items on Future Agendas

8. NEXT MEETING:

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015, 9:30 a.m., at Queen Anne Recreation Center, 1240 West Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90019.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER


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C.D. Various

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SUBJECT: VARIOUS COMMUNICATIONS



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

The following communications have been received by the Board and recommended action thereon is presented.

From:

Recommendation:

1) City Attorney, to City Council, relative to Ready Golf Center v. Board of Recreation and Parks, City of Los Angeles, et al. LASC Case No. BC 477339.

Note and File.

2) City Clerk, relative to funding SRO Housing Corporation's operation of San Julian Park.

Referred to General Manager.
(Report No. 15-060)

3) City Clerk, relative to the Memorandum of Agreement with North East Trees regarding the Ascot Hills Park Habitat Restoration and Greening project.

Referred to General Manager.
(Report No. 15-140)

4) Chief Legislative Analyst, forwarding the Legislative Report for the week ending September 11, 2015.

Note and File.

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5) Sandy Summer, relative to the remodeled Hollywood Recreation Center Pool (PRJ1402B).

Referred to General Manager.

6) LA Soccer Coalition and eighty-six residents, relative to the proposed Hugo E. Perez Soccer League.

Note and File. The matter was revisited at the October 7, 2015 Board Meeting. (Reports No. 15-196 and 15-214)

7) Eleven residents, twenty-one communications relative to incidents in the Hollywoodland area near Griffith Park.

Note and File.

8) Jennifer Graves, two communications, relative to the apparent cessation of youth cross country events at O'Melveny Park.

Referred to General Manager.

9) Anonymous, relative to Los Angeles County's Devil's Punchbowl Natural Area.

Forward to Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation.

This Report was prepared by Paul Liles, Clerk Typist, Commission Office.

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SUBJECT: HOLLYWOOD RECREATION CENTER - POOL & POOL BUILDING (PRJ1402B) (W.O. #E170344F) – ACCEPTANCE AND RELEASE OF STOP PAYMENT NOTICES ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT NO. 3454

<i>for</i>	*R. Barajas	<u>CSO</u>	K. Regan	_____
	H. Fujita	_____	N. Williams	_____
	V. Israel	_____		



General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept the following Stop Notices and direct staff to withhold the amounts claimed, plus an additional sum equal to 25% thereof, to defray any costs of litigation in the event of court action, if said amount of said funds are available, and to notify contractors, sureties, and other interested parties that the amount of said claims plus 25% will be withheld; and,
2. Accept the following Release of Stop Payment Notice.

SUMMARY:

STOP PAYMENT NOTICE:

The Department is in receipt of legal notices to withhold construction funds, pursuant to California Civil Code Sections, 8044, 8520, 8530, and 9350 on the following contract:

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Contract 3454 CD 13

Hollywood Recreation Center – Pool and Pool
Building (PRJ1402B) (W.O. #E170344F)
Project Status: 99% Complete

Project Impact: none

General Contractor: Morillo Construction, Inc.
Claimant: Whitewater West Industries, Inc.
Amount: \$31,521.24

Contract 3454 CD 13

Hollywood Recreation Center – Pool and Pool
Building (PRJ1402B) (W.O. #E170344F)
Project Status: 100% Complete

Project Impact: none

General Contractor: Morillo Construction, Inc.
Claimant: Air Conditioning Estimators, Inc.
Amount: \$23,000.00

RELEASE OF STOP PAYMENT NOTICE:

The Department is in receipt of Release of Stop Payment Notice filed by the claimant below, which releases the Board from any and all liability for withholding funds from the general contractors or the sureties:

Contract 3454 CD 13

Hollywood Recreation Center – Pool and Pool
Building (PRJ1402B) (W.O. #E170344F)
Project Status: 99% Complete

Project Impact: none

General Contractor: Morillo Construction, Inc.
Claimant: Whitewater West Industries, Inc.
Amount: \$31,521.24

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of Stop Payment Notices has no impact on the Department's General Fund, as funds have already been appropriated for this purpose.

This Report was prepared Iris Davis, Commission Executive Assistant I.

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH PARK – GREEK THEATRE FACILITY HISTORICAL ENHANCEMENT (W.O. #E1907891) – APPROVAL OF FINAL PLANS; EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

<i>for</i> *R. Barajas <u>CEQ</u>	K. Regan _____
H. Fujita _____	N. Williams _____
V. Israel _____	



General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Greek Theatre Facility Historical Enhancement (W.O. #E1907891) project; and,
2. Find that the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are the final plans and specifications for the Greek Theatre Facility Historical Enhancement (W.O. #E1907891) project, located at 2700 North Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90032, as prepared by the design consultant, Rios Clementi Hale Studios (RCHS), under the direction of the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Architectural Division.

Following closely the deferred maintenance items identified in Report No. 15-082, the project scope provides for a number of short-term improvements to the Greek Theatre as listed below:

1. Front Plaza area:
 - (a) Modify the existing openings and gates to improve access for loading/unloading by the stagehands crews.

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- (b) Modify the existing fence to allow flexible site security control of the front plaza area.
 - (c) Activate the front plaza area to allow year-round use by the public.
 - (d) Install new native and drought-tolerant landscaping to enhance the street-front appearance for neighborhood beautification and removal of dead, non-protected tree.
2. Interior spaces: Cosmetic upgrades at Green Rooms, Chorus Rooms, hallways, etc., with new paint, flooring, decorative graphics, light fixture, cabinets, countertops, and appliances.
 3. North and South terrace seating decks: Add steel reinforcements to key areas at steps and aisles as identified by the Structural Engineer.
 4. Install new digital marquee at the existing Box Office building and/or inside Venue Premises.
 5. Exterior and overall image makeover to enhance patrons' experience:
 - (a) New paint on building exterior and new coating on exterior wood decks.
 - (b) New decorative accent lighting.
 - (c) New coordinated way-finding signage throughout the facility.
 - (d) New lighting and décor at areas leading to the restrooms.
 - (e) New monument sign

The City Engineer's estimate for the construction cost of this project is One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

This project is funded by the Department of Recreation and Parks' (Department) Greek Theatre Special Fund per Report No. 15-123, in Account 57T/89/89MG02.

TREES AND SHADE:

The front plaza is the only area that will be open for public use during the day. In addition to the existing mature trees, two (2) to three (3) California native oak trees will be planted in the seating areas surrounding the front plaza to provide shade. Movable shading devices can also be placed in the front plaza area if necessary to provide additional shade.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Staff has determined that the project will consist of improvements to an existing historic park facility in compliance with the Secretary of Interior Standards for the Rehabilitation of Historic Properties. Therefore, the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the CEQA,

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without exception, pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines and Section 15331 of the State CEQA Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption will be filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk and Los Angeles County Clerk.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The project will be funded by the aforementioned funding source. There is no immediate fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund. However, future operations and maintenance costs will be included in future Department annual budget requests.

This Report was prepared by Paul Tseng, Project Manager, BOE Architectural Division; and reviewed by Deborah Weintraub, BOE, Chief Deputy City Engineer, and by Cathie Santo Domingo, Superintendent, Planning, Construction and Maintenance Branch, Department of Recreation and Parks.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Department of Recreation and Parks

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TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

FROM: MICHAEL A. SHULL, General Manager



SUBJECT: SUMMER 2015 – ACTIVITY REPORT

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) provides a wide variety of summer programs for youth. These programs are designed to encourage good sportsmanship, development of life skills, new friendships, and physical and social activities. There is a wide variety of programs to choose from that include sports, science, golf, and aquatics. In addition, RAP hosts Summer Night Lights, an evening program at 32 sites.

The 2015 summer, RAP served thousands of youth and families citywide.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- 45,000 Summer Camp and Resident Camp Participants
 - 8.8% increase from 2014 (41,027)
 - 96,329 camper days
- Served 212,581 Free Lunches
 - 9.2% increase from 2014 (192,909)
- Served 564,323 at 32 sites – Summer Night Lights
 - 10,718 sports league participants
 - 580 adventure program participants
- 805,415 Aquatics
 - 9.9% increase from 2014 (725,046)
 - 297,092 paid youth (16.3% increase from 2014 – 248,798)
 - third consecutive summer of no near drownings
- 84,748 rounds of mini golf at Sherman Oaks Castle Park

- 237,000 golf rounds played at 13 Golf Courses
 - foot golf (new program at Rancho Park Golf, implemented in May)
 - 722 youth participants – Tregnan Golf Academy
 - 600 adult participants – City golf summer championship tournaments

- 20 dedications, groundbreakings, and openings
 - 3 new park openings (50 Parks Initiative)
 - Carlton Way, Castanso Fire Station 84, Patton Street Park

- Over 100,000 visitors to Special Events
 - free concert series
 - free movies in the park
 - free Shakespeare Festivals
 - 10 Special Events
 - Northridge Recreation Center – Hawaiian Festival
 - Cabrillo Beach – John Olguin Spectacular
 - MacArthur Park/Levitt Pavilion – fireworks show
 - Van Ness Recreation Center – 4th of July Celebration
 - Ft. MacArthur Military Museum – Ft. MacArthur Days
 - Echo Park – 35th Annual Lotus Festival
 - 7-Eleven Free Swim Day for Youth
 - Banning Residence Museum – summer concert
 - Hansen Dam – Aquatics Triathlon
 - Special Olympics World Summer Games

This report was prepared by Rose Watson, Public Information Director, Marketing.

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DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

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TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSIONERS

FROM: MICHAEL A. SHULL, General Manager



SUBJECT: GLADYS PARK AND SAN JULIAN PARK AT SKID ROW

Background of 6th and Gladys Park

6th and Gladys Street Park is located at 824 East 6th Street, in the Skid Row community of Downtown Los Angeles. This 0.34 acre park features a basketball court, outdoor fitness equipment, shaded picnic tables, and a small stage. Approximately 9,081 City residents live within a one half mile walking distance of 6th and Gladys Street Park. Due to the facilities and features it provides, 6th and Gladys Street Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

In 1981, the City received ownership of the 6th and Gladys Park property from the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for a sorely needed park in Skid Row. In 1988, the Department of Recreation and Parks, through a right of entry permit, transferred operational, security and maintenance responsibilities to the Single Room Occupancy Housing Corporation (SRO). The SRO is a non-profit, community-based organization, dedicated to building a vibrant community for homeless and low-income individuals in Skid Row

Background of San Julian Park

San Julian Park is located at 312 East 5th Street, in the Skid Row community of Downtown Los Angeles. This 0.29 acre park features an open lawn area, benches and picnic tables, and a small shade structure. Approximately 14,972 City residents live within a one half mile walking distance of San Julian Park. Due to the facilities and features it provides, San Julian Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

In the early 1980's, the CRA acquired property at the intersection of San Julian Street and 5th Street for the development of the San Julian Park. Since its completion, the CRA has operated and maintained the park for the benefit of those living in Skid Row. In 2011, Governor Brown signed into law Assembly Bill (AB) X126 which dissolved all California Redevelopment Agencies. With the CRA no longer able to operate and maintain the park, the City Council approved the recommendation to transfer ownership of the park to the Department. On

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March 19, 2015, the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners, through Report No. 15-059, approved the acceptance of the property.

On August 7, 2015, the portable restrooms were removed from both parks due to illicit and illegal activities.

Several meetings were held in the past months and are summarized as follows:

On May 4, 2015, Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff met with Jeff Paige, a community activist, and discussed the needs at Gladys Park, the park hours of operation, the needs of the Skid Row Drifters, the Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) group, drinking fountain, water mainline, and park lighting.

On May 14, 2015, RAP staff met with Jeff Paige and discussed the three on three basketball league and the Skid Row Drifters' scheduled meetings at Gladys Park. Jeff Paige asked that RAP recognize the Skid Row Drifters, Wendell Bassiganure, a community member, and himself as community partners.

On June 15, 2015, RAP staff met with the Skid Row Drifters. The group has been at Gladys Park for over twenty (20) years and requested that they be allowed to continue to use the park to hold the AA meetings.

On July 2, 2015, RAP staff met with Officer Martinez from the Los Angeles Police Department to discuss security cameras and the activities that take place at Gladys Park

On September 1, 2015, RAP staff met with Jeff Paige and Katherine McNenny, a community activist. They requested to establish a Park Advisory Board (PAB) for San Julian Park. Both Jeff Paige and Katherine McNenny shared their interest in becoming PAB members. Park improvements were also discussed.

The regular maintenance operations at both parks consists of the following: litter and debris pick up and removal, emptying of trash cans, landscape maintenance, graffiti removal, and irrigation repairs.

In early October, the following repairs were made at Gladys Park:

- The bleacher frame supports were installed and the floor board was replaced;
- The bench seat was repaired and anchored; and
- The light post electrical cover was installed.

In early October, the following repairs were made at San Julian Park:

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- The drinking fountain sump was installed;
- The light fixture lamp bulbs were replaced;
- The rolling gate wheel was replaced; and
- The damaged concrete was repaired.

On Friday, October 9, 2015, portable restrooms were delivered to San Julian and Gladys Parks. Each site was provided with three (3) regular and one (1) disabled accessible restrooms. These restrooms are scheduled to be serviced daily.

This report was prepared by Javier Solis, Superintendent, Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch.

MATTERS PENDING

Matters Pending will be carried for a maximum of six months, after which time they will be deemed withdrawn and rescheduled whenever a new staff report is received.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

ORIGINALLY PLACED ON <u>BOARD AGENDA</u>	PLACED ON MATTERS <u>PENDING</u>	DEEMED <u>WITHDRAWN</u>
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None

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED:

11/17/15 Lincoln Park Recreation Center – Pool and Bathhouse Replacement Project
(PRJ1504P) (W.O. #E1907715)

PROPOSALS TO BE RECEIVED:

None

QUALIFICATIONS TO BE RECEIVED:

None