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AGENDA

Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Department of Parks and Recreation
3800 Cornucopia Way
2nd Floor Conference Room
Modesto, CA

Call Meeting to Order:

The Stanislaus County Park Commission encourages public participation and welcomes the public's interest. Members of the public may be heard on any item of the Stanislaus County Park Commission's agenda. A person addressing the Commission will be limited to five (5) minutes, unless the Chairperson of the commission grants a longer period of time. The Commission will allow comments by members of the public on an agenda item only during consideration of the item.

Agenda Items:

1.	Call to Order	Chair
2.	Roll Call and Excused Absences	
3.	Introduction(s)	
4.	Public Comment(s)	
5.	Correspondence: 7 th Street Bridge Project, Stanislaus County/City of Modesto, 2/11/2014	
6.	Approval of Minutes for January 9, 2014 Meeting (There was no meeting in February.)	Commissioners
7.	Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Funding Opportunity from the Today Showb. Fairview Park (pictures in Staff Report)c. Mural Policyd. Marketing Plane. Fees and Concession Programf. Revenue History	
8.	Staff Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Monthly Staff Report	
9.	Commission Comment(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Commission Goals and Priorities<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Contributionsii. Board of Supervisor updatesb. March 5th Ethics Course<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online Course Information Link: http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=477 (To take the course, you will find in the middle of the webpage a button labeled "Local Ethics Online Training (FREE)". Please note that you will be required to have an e-mail to take the course online.)	Commissioners

10. Adjournment, the next meeting will be on:

Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
Department of Parks and Recreation
3800 Cornucopia Way
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Modesto, CA

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MINUTES

January 9, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C
Modesto, CA 95358

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chad Kennedy, ATL
Judith Loretelli, ATL
AnnaMarie Hallinan, D5
Brent Bohlender, D2
Betty Parker, D1
Ron West, D4

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:

Jami Aggers
Merry Rorabaugh
Mae Song

MEMBERS ABSENT:

GUESTS PRESENT:

Supervisor Jim DeMartini

A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

1. The meeting was called to order. Those in attendance introduced themselves.
2. Members welcomed the new Commissioner, AnnaMarie Hallinan, serving district five. Mrs. Hallinan shared a little bit about herself as a retired preschool teacher with special interest in outdoor recreation, and ongoing care of parks and play facilities.

ACTIONS

Judy Loretelli called the meeting to order. Chair arrived later in meeting.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comment was received.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the November 12, 2013 meeting were approved upon motion and second with a correction to add Supervisor Jim DeMartini under *Guest* as present at the September meeting. There was no meeting in October.

ACTIONS

Bohlender, Parker, unanimous approval

D. STAFF REPORTS

1. The January staff report was reviewed. Commissioner Ron West commended the Department on the recent ribbon-cutting event held at Laird Park. Supervisor Jim DeMartini, a personal volunteer along with many of the other volunteers involved in the Laird Park Volunteer Renovation Project were commended—the volunteers did a great job with improving the park. A question was raised about the fencing timeline at the park; the Department will be attending the PFF Committee in February to seek funding for the needed fencing project.
2. The Department proposed fees is currently being reviewed to be submitted to the Board. A few new fees are being considered with relations to veterans and concessions. The final proposal and details are scheduled for next month's agenda. The plan is to have a final proposal to the Board in March.
3. A question was raised whether the Department may have revenue impact statistics from the previous years' fee increases, and if there were any revenue targets? The subject will be added to the next meeting's agenda for more information on revenue. There are currently no known revenue targets, however, increasing revenue has been encouraged. The marketing plan was a part of this strategy. Special events are at this time reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The full department fee schedule is reviewed annually however, changes may not occur every year.

ACTIONS & REPORTER

E. OLD BUSINESS**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

1. The Department's marketing negotiation process fell through. A new RFP has been posted. The plan is expected to cover five regional parks. The RFP includes the request for revenue generating ideas on marketing facilities, involving social media, special events and concessions. Once a consulting firm is made official, the Department plans to invite them to a Commission meeting.
2. A meeting is scheduled for Monday with Supervisor Jim DeMartini to discuss ideas for Fairview Park. Recommendations may be finalized then with more details to follow in next month's agenda. The first phase of grass and ground leveling has been completed. Henceforth are the park's priorities that will be discussed along with community suggestions and costs. A brief mention was made on the needs of grading the driveway into the park.
3. The Mural Policy is currently being reviewed by the CEO's office for the Board agenda on January 28th.
4. The Marketing Plan RFP will end on January 23rd.

Merry Rorabaugh/Jami Aggers

F. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

1. A suggestion was made for the Department to look at a potential fund opportunity from the Today Show for a playground renovation project. The Department will into the opportunity and qualifications.
2. A question was raised on the status of concessionaire out at Woodward Reservoir. A mobile food vending program was put into place as a trial. Additional information on recommended changes to the program will be shared in the next meeting. The trial was only a short term plan. The long term will be included as a part of the upcoming marketing plan.

Chad Kennedy

Ron West

G. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Parks Commission will be held on:

Thursday, February 13, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.
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PREPARED BY: *Mae Song, Confidential Assistant III* (209) 525-6723

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COMMUNITY PARKS/COUNTY CENTERS by Amanda Fife:

1. Community Parks/County Centers:
2. Fairview Park: We are waiting for direction as to which site amenities will be purchased for the park. We may be able to start with a few picnic tables to place on the 3 existing pads that do not currently have tables, and a family style BBQ for the picnic shelter.
3. The electrical wires from the T.I.D. power pole to the main electrical panel were vandalized and wires removed. We are currently working with T.I.D. to restore power. Our staff is making some minor repairs before the power company replaces the wires. Until repairs are made we are without power to run the irrigation system. In addition to the wire damage, someone tore down the temporary fencing on the North West end of the park and drove their vehicle on the new lawn. The turf has been damaged and will require clean fill dirt be brought in before reseeding.
4. Laird Park: The horseshoe pits at the new shelter were recently damaged. The posts in each pit were installed at a slight tilt according to standard regulation play. We believe someone thought the tilt was in error and tried to straighten them up. When they did, the posts and the cement were pulled out of the ground. Staff will reinstall the posts as soon as time allows.
5. The Laird Park volunteer group recently installed a set of soccer goals at the park. They did this at the request of a group who uses the park for practice sessions.
6. Riverdale Park: Vandals attempted to use a pipe cutter on the playground structure. They did not make a clean cut through it and we do not believe the integrity of the structure has been compromised. We believe the vandals were attempting to dismantle what they could in order to sell the materials at a scrap yard. The replacement part has been ordered and repairs are pending.
7. Frank Raines OHV:
8. The new water system continues to move forward and we hope that staff will be trained on the operation and maintenance of it soon.
9. Staff is in the process of installing irrigation in the area around the new playground at the day use area. We plan to plant grass seed in the spring.

MODESTO RESERVOIR by Tom Dias:

Modesto Reservoir:

1. Polar bear day event was successful. There were about 30 participants
2. Staff is currently spraying for weed control and raking and picking up leaves.

LaGrange:

1. The LaGrange Improvement District will be installing a new gateway sign at the intersection of J-59 and highway 132. The sign will be installed on Caltrans property. They are currently getting Caltrans approval.

LaGrange OHV Park:

1. The park visitation should improve now that it has rained. The rain keeps the dust down and improves the riding surfaces.

ADMINISTRATION by Cathy Gomez:

Requesting Public Facility Fees for the following items:

1. Fence around Laird Park – RECEIVED \$72,000
2. Park's Marketing Plan – DENIED (The Marketing Plan went out to bid – Only one vendor put in a proposal. They declined the one proposal and decided to redo the document to attract more vendors.)
3. Woodward Reservoir Wells – Bring to group at a later date
4. Bay View Point Electricity – Bring to group at a later date
5. Woodward – Acoustical Noise Project - Denied
6. Modesto Reservoir Fuel Pump Project – RECEIVED \$34,557.00
7. (14) Vaulted Restrooms – RECEIVED - Additional monies in the amount of \$58,943.06 – First “ask” was in the amount of \$527,249.94 for a grand total of \$586,193.00
8. Modesto Reservoir – RECEIVED approximately \$30,000 For – (25) 4 yard bins and (20) hot coal receptacles

Hatch Park Baseball Field:

1. We have completed a list of equipment needed for this project
2. We have got authorization to work with Ross Recreation and to issue contracts with them
3. There have been several meetings at the field with the vendors and construction team
4. On January 31, 2014 a plan for the baseball field will be delivered to Parks Department
5. The Department will discuss the final layout and costs to make sure we have enough for the baseball field and the soccer goals.
6. Contracts will be issued and construction will begin.
7. (I will have a better idea about dates in the next two weeks)
8. Had a Keyes Community Meeting on February 27, 2014 – Meeting went well – There was agreement with moving forward with the County's plan to build a baseball field at Hatch Park and a soccer field at Bonita Ranch. Community had some small changes they wanted made. Working with vendor to make these changes and get contracts signed.
9. We are currently working with volunteers from the Community to put together a 2014 Maintenance Calendar for the baseball field. We are also discussing the possibility of getting a league together so we can have the ribbon cutting for the baseball field on an Opening Day for a baseball league. – Agreement was made to open the baseball field with a league Opening Day.

Bonita Ranch Park

1. Purchase (2) sets of goals – one for adults and the other for kids
2. Have the goals installed and the field laid out for play.
3. The Keyes Community agreed to the building of this soccer field.

OHV Grants for 2014 – Preliminary Grants due on March 3, 2014 - Public Meeting on February 12, 2014

1. The Preliminary Grant was due on March 3, 2014 at 5:00pm. The grant was submitted on February 28, 2014. Frank Raines = \$240,945 and La Grange = \$116,950

The Today Show:

1. The request for Fairview Park has been submitted and the Bonita Pool Request is near completion.

4th of July Event

1. Have a meeting scheduled to discuss the 4th of July event on July 4, 2014 (Friday). Fireworks show has already been put together.

WOODWARD RESERVOIR by Cheryl Jackson:

1. Woodward Reservoir is currently in winter maintenance mode (tree pruning, campsite maintenance and painting of restrooms, etc.) Our visitation has been good with the warmer weather and our waterfowl season is coming to an end soon. We are currently in the begin stages of engineering for the upgrades to T-Island and Muir Point to make those campground full hookup sites as well as Hackberry. Currently, we only have 40 Full hookup sites. With the additional upgraded campsites, it will be a total of 101 full hookup campsites by the 2015 season.

**FAIRVIEW PARK
VANDALISM IN
FEBRUARY 2014
(TURF DAMAGE)**

The pictures show the damage to the turf. A vehicle apparently entered the park from the North West corner of the park. We only have temporary fencing and railroad ties on that side so it's very easy to get through. We will have to see if we can get some clean fill dirt to take care of the turf damage. They also cut the electrical wiring from the T.I.D. power pole to the restroom which

controls the power for our irrigation timer and booster pump. We are working with T.I.D. to get the wire replaced but there are a couple of things we need to do on our end before they can do that. We won't be able to reseed until we can get the irrigation back up.





You Are Invited to a Public Information Meeting to Review and Comment on Project Alternatives

Monday, February 24, 2014
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
6:45 pm Presentation

Basement Training Room
1010 Tenth Street, Modesto, CA

Maps and other information about the project will be available for viewing. Specialists in engineering and environmental studies will be at the meeting to discuss your concerns and answer questions. Comment sheets will be available, and a public stenographer will be available for your dictated comments. Your written or dictated comments will become part of the public record and will be considered in developing the environmental documents.

Mapas y otra información acerca de los proyectos estarán disponibles para su visualización. Especialistas en ingeniería y estudios ambientales en la reunión para hablar sobre sus preocupaciones y responder a sus preguntas. Comentario hojas estará disponible y un estenógrafo público estará disponible para su dictado. Su escrito o dictado comentarios se convertirá en forma parte del registro público y será tenida en cuenta en la elaboración de la documentación medioambiental.



7th Street Bridge Project
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Project Purpose and Description

The purpose of the 7th Street Bridge Project is to improve movement and safety for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists across the Tuolumne River along the 7th Street corridor. The proposed project would do the following:

- Correct structural and hydraulic deficiencies, including elimination of load restrictions
- Accommodate vehicular capacity needs of the 7th Street corridor
- Improve safety for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

The entire project study area includes the intersections of 7th Street with B Street/Tuolumne Boulevard north of the river and 7th Street with Crows Landing Road south of the river.

Several project alternatives and design options are being carried forward for detailed consideration. Alternatives include:

- A new bridge placed along or slightly downstream of the existing location, and
- Combinations of a new bridge and a rehabilitated existing bridge.

The new bridge alternatives accommodate a variety of bridge types, e.g., span lengths, number and locations of bridge piers. Other project features include improvements to the intersections north and south of the bridge.

Purpose of the Public Information Meeting on February 24, 2014

The purpose of the February 24 meeting is to provide you and other members of the public with an update on the environmental studies underway and to inform you of the engineering designs that may be

considered. Your opinions on the alternatives are very helpful as the design work progresses.

If you cannot attend the meeting but have comments, questions, or concerns about the proposed project, please submit them in writing to David Leamon, Department of Public Works, Stanislaus County, 1010 10th Street, Suite 4202, Modesto, CA 95354, or by email to leamond@stancounty.com. For general information about the meeting, call (209) 464-4350, ext. 101, or send email to Hotline@buethecommunications.com.

Project website: www.7thStreetBridge.ORG. Se habla Español.

