



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION - PRAC

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

Lakeside Park Garden Center – 666 Bellevue Avenue

Draft Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL: 4:31p.m.

AIKENS, COLE, CORBIN, HA, HOWZE, KADERA-REDMOND, MOORE, NORMAN, REILLY, TORRES, AND WOLFSON

Present: 10 – Aikens, Cole, Ha, Howze, Kadera-Redmond, Moore, Norman, Reilly, Torres, Wolfson

Arrival: 1 – Corbin (4:46p.m.)

Staff: Parks and Recreation: Dana Riley, Diane Boyd, Zermaine Thomas, Gail McMillon

Oakland Public Works Project Delivery: Christine Reed and Denise Louie

3. DISPOSITON OF MINUTES:

A. September 12, 2018 Draft Minutes

Motion: Commissioner Kadera-Redmond entertained a motion to approve the September 12, 2018 draft minutes. **Moved by:** Commissioner Cole. **Second by:** Commissioner Aikens. **Vote: 6 Yes:** Aikens, Cole, Kadera-Redmond, Moore, Norman, Reilly. **4 Abstained:** Ha, Howze, Torres, Wolfson. **Motion: Passed**

4. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Motion: Commissioner Kadera-Redmond entertained a motion to move Item 7B under 8 - Conditional Use Permits, and change to Item 8A. **Moved by:** Commissioner Reilly. **Second by:** Commissioner Norman. **Vote: 10 Yes:** Aikens, Cole, Ha, Howze, Kadera-Redmond, Moore, Norman, Reilly, Torres, Wolfson. **Motion: Passed**

5. OPEN FORUM:

One speaker addressed the commission during Open Forum:

- Ken Lupoff: Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation

6. CONSENT NEW BUSINESS:

None

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. REQUEST RECOMMENDATION TO DEDICATE A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE IN MEMORY OF AMEENAH NAFEESAH ROSHIMA SCOTT.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report prepared by Gail McMillon from Oakland Parks and Recreation & Youth Development. Mercedes S. Rodriguez requested permission to dedicate a bench in memory of her daughter, Ameenah Nafeesah Roshima Scott, who was a graduate and honor student of Lowell Jr. High School and participant in the University of Berkeley college preparatory classes. On December 23, 1981, Ameenah was found dead on the ground of Lowell Jr. High School. The cause of her death was determined to be murder, and case remains unsolved to date. Ameenah was 16 years of age.

The plaque would be placed on an existing bench facing Lake Merritt in Lake Merritt/Lakeside Park on the 1300 block of Lakeshore Avenue. The dedication would read as follows:

In Loving Memory of
Ameenah Nafeesah Roshima Scott
February 21, 1965 – December 23, 1981
Beloved daughter, sister, friend and honor student

Motion: Commissioner Kadera-Redmond entertained a motion to approve the request to dedicate a bench in honor of Ameenah Nafeesah Roshima Scott at the location so described with the commemorative plaque language as written. **Moved by:** Commissioner Howze. **Second by:** Commissioner Norman. **Vote: 10 Yes:** Aikens, Cole, Ha, Howze, Kadera-Redmond, Moore, Norman, Reilly, Torres, Wolfson **Motion: Passed**

B. Note: Item 7B was changed to 8A

Note: Item 7C – Commissioner Corbin (arrival 4:46 p.m.)

C. REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND PROVIDE COMMENT ON THE TWO (2) GIFT IN PLACE DESIGN OPTIONS BY OAKLAND ARTIST MUZAE SESAY FOR THE RAINBOW RECREATION CENTER PUBLIC ART PROJECT IN EAST OAKLAND, WITH FINAL DESIGN TO BE SELECTED BY TEENS OF THE DIGITAL ARTS AND CULINARY ACADEMY (DACA).

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report prepared by Denise Louie, Oakland Public Works, CIP Coordinator - Project Delivery.

Public Works made a presentation and requested comments on two) gift in place design options by Oakland artist Muzae Sesay for the Rainbow Recreation Center Public Art Project in East Oakland. The final design selection will be made by teens participants of DACA.

This project was presented to the Public Arts Advisory Committee - PAAC on October 1, 2018. Out of sequence with the usual initial review, comments, and recommendations provided from PRAC to staff and PAAC, PRAC's comments were made post approval of the project. Project Delivery cited timing and coordination of the larger capital renovation project and contracting for the gift in place for the basketball courts renovation at Rainbow Recreation as the cause for the reversed presentation and approval process.

The Commission reviewed both options 1 and 2, and collectively concluded that in Design #1, the 3-point line should have been more defined and that the overall game lines would be obscured by the design of the artwork. PRAC members suggested renderings of the artwork with the game lines overlaid would have been helpful in evaluating suitability of the two options for installation.

Once applied to the surface, the artwork is expected to last 5 to 8 years. Extra paint used in the initial design will be provided by the artist for touch up maintenance. A set aside fund will be established to resurface the courts with a uniform color should it become necessary in the future.

Teen patrons of DACA participated in the project and design concept and will make the final decision for which of the two options will be included in the exterior basketball court resurfacing.

The Commission that the greater community was not noticed of or included in the project discussion. Staff explained that the artist wanted DACA's teens to have the experience of engaging in the full art installation process.

The Commission acknowledged appreciation for the project, but reminded staff of the importance for local community outreach, and engaging residents in conversations related to City projects which impact their neighborhood. Recognizing the basketball courts at Rainbow Recreation/DACA are heavily used by the community, and to facilitate wider neighborhood engagement, the Commission suggested the project organizers and staff provide at Comments Box for feedback and design selection.

The Commission requested their comments be shared with the teens at DACA.

Motion: Commissioner Kadera-**Redmond entertained a motion to accept** the presentation and provide comment on the two (2) gift in place design options by Oakland artist Muzae Sesay for the Rainbow Recreation Center Public Art Project in East Oakland, with final design selection by teens of DACA. Moved by: Commissioner **Corbin**. Second by: **Commissioner Cole**. Vote: 9 Yes: **Cole, Corbin, Ha, Kadera-Redmond, Moore, Norman, Reilly, Torres, Wolfson**. 1 No: **Howze**. 1 Abstained: **Aikens**. Motion Passed

8. PLANNING AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS:

A. REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO APPROVE DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR BALLFIELD LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS AT CURT FLOOD FIELD AND MAJOR ZONING VARIANCES FOR BALLFIELD LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS AT GOLDEN GATE, LOWELL AND TASSAFARONGA FIELDS.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission reviewed the staff report prepared by Christine Reed, Oakland Public Works – Project Delivery.

Staff requested approval of the design, implementation and endorsement of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for ballfield lighting improvements at Curt Flood Field and major zoning variances for ballfield lighting improvements at Golden Gate, Lowell and Tassafaronga Fields. These four projects, funded by Measure KK Bond funds, include lighting upgrades and associated electrical wiring improvements for existing athletic ballfields. The improvements will upgrade the fields to meet safe play standards and improve energy efficiency.

Curt Flood's Open Space – Athletic Field use classification allows for Sports Lighting and the addition of new light poles which are permitted under the CUP. The installation of the new light poles would deliver coverage across the entire field.

Golden Gate, Lowell and Tassafaronga are zoned and classified as Open Space – Neighborhood Parks where both passive and active use needs are addressed. The Open Space classification also requires promotion of park uses compatible with local land uses and the City's natural environment. These parks are heavily used and have multiple athletic fields including some sports lighting (excluding Lowell). A Major Variance will be required to install new sports lighting which will improve accessibility of the fields.

Musco Lighting representative Ron Ziegler reported that the existing 30'-35' lighting poles installed in the effected ball fields are too short to efficiently light the areas of use. These poles have limited positioning ability and cause glare/light spillage in the surrounding neighborhoods. Musco recommended the installation of the standard 70' lighting poles equipped with LED lights which controlled remotely, are low maintenance and 40% energy savings and carry a warranty of 5 to 7 years. The height of the 70' LED pole would provide full area coverage, softer lighting and decreased light spillage into the community.

This lighting system would be housed in concrete underground thereby reducing the reoccurring issues of wire theft.

Note: The agenda was modified to move Item 7B under 8-Conditional Use Permits, and was changed to 8A.

Note: Commissioner Torres departed (5:33p.m.) before the vote.

Motion: Commissioner Kadera-Redmond entertained a motion to approve the design and implementation of all four fields as written, and endorse and recommend approval of the proposed Conditional Use Permit for Curt Flood Field and Major Zoning Variances for Golden Gate, Lowell and Tassafaronga Fields Ballfield Lighting and Wiring Improvement Projects. **Moved by:** Commissioner Reilly. **Second by:** Commissioner Aikens. **Vote: 10 Yes:** Aikens, Cole, Corbin, Ha, Howze, Kadera-Redmond, Moore, Norman, Reilly, Wolfson **Motion Passed**

9. COMMITTEE AND/OR ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATES:

- Commissioner Cole requested assistance scheduling a Naming Rights Committee meeting. Members include Commissioners Cole, Reilly and Aikens. Also, Barry Miller (Frm. PRAC Chair), Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation Board members Ken Lupoff and Heather Kuiper.
- Commissioner Corbin requested PRAC member to provide feedback on the Recreation Advisory Council Tool Kit.
- Commissioner Reilly has begun meetings with Rotary Nature Center.
- Commissioner Ha reported that she must step aside as the Liaison for the Jack London Aquatic Center - JLAC. Her new employment and the liaison assignment conflict. Commissioner Wolfson offered to represent JLAC in exchange for one of her centers.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

11. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

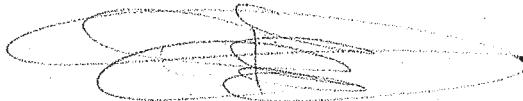
12. CONTINUATION OF OPEN FORUM:

13. ADJOURNMENT: 6:18p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Dana Riley

Dana Riley
Acting Secretary



Diane L. Boyd
Recording Secretary

Next Meeting:

***Wednesday, November 14, 2018
Lakeside Park Garden Center
666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA***

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