Regular Board Meeting

Minutes

December 10, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was convened by Chair Hudson at 6:30p.m. by telephone pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b)

1. **Opening Ceremonies:**
   - **Roll Call:** Board Members Present: Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Hudson
     - Board Member Absent: Lopez-Garcia
   - **Staff Present:** Long, Villa
   - **Audience Present:** 7

2. **Welcome Newly Elected Board Members:**
   - Director Hudson welcomed and congratulated Director Torres and Director Garcia. She is looking forward to working together for the next four years.
   - At this moment, Director Lopez-Garcia joined the meeting.

3. **Approval of Agenda:**
   - **Motion:** Move to approve the Agenda as presented.
   - **Motion:** Torlakson Second: Garcia
   - **Action:** Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Lopez-Garcia, Hudson Noes: None
     - Absent: None
     - Abstentions: None

4. **Consent Calendar:**
   - **Motion:** Move to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.
   - **Motion:** Garcia Second: Lopez-Garcia
   - **Action:** Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Lopez-Garcia, Hudson Noes: None
     - Absent: None
     - Abstentions: None

5. **Presentations/Introductions:**
   - None

6. **General Manager’s Report:**
   - The General Manager gave brief reports on the following topics:
     1. Ambrose Park Fire – District owns a part of the property that needs to be abated; able to do it in-house with the bobcat
     2. SB1343 Training – all employees are now required to complete the one-hour harassment training class (2hrs for supervisors); will be completed before January 1st
     3. Community Garden – held a volunteer clean-up event; Director Torres was a volunteer; will report back with upcoming garden programs and updates
     4. Syserco – some roof work is required prior to installing solar panels

7. **Legal Counsel Report:**
   - None
8. **Public Communications:**
Brandon Olasky, Treasurer of East County Regional Group, congratulated Director Torres and Director Garcia. He requested the District use a more accessible virtual platform to make participation easier for the public. He also requested that the Board approve the funding for replacing the storm drain. ECRG is looking forward to working with the District to improve parks for Bay Point residents.

9. **Board Matters:**
   
a. **Consider Selecting a Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021-2023**
   
   **Motion:** Move to select Director Hudson as Chair and Director Torlakson as Vice-Chair.
   
   **Motion:** Garcia  **Second:** Lopez-Garcia
   
   **Action:** **Roll Call Vote:** *Ayes:* Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Lopez-Garcia, Hudson  *Noes:* None
   
   *Absent:* None  *Abstentions:* None

   b. **Consider Selecting Two Board Members to Serve on the Budget Committee**
   
   **Motion:** Move to select Director Garcia and Director Lopez-Garcia to serve on the Budget Committee.
   
   **Motion:** Hudson  **Second:** Torlakson
   
   **Action:** **Roll Call Vote:** *Ayes:* Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Lopez-Garcia, Hudson  *Noes:* None
   
   *Absent:* None  *Abstentions:* None

   c. **Consider Allocating $263,000 to the Ambrose Memorial Park Lower Restroom Replacement Project to Include Replacing Storm Drain, Demolition, ADA Improvements and Site Preparation.**
   
   Rhea Laughlin from First 5 Contra Costa congratulated Director Torres and Director Garcia and is looking forward to working with them. She expressed support for the storm drain replacement and park improvements. She also requested the Board use Zoom or a similar platform for future meetings. Mr. Long reminded the Board that $510,000 was allocated for the project, which $410k came from park impact fees and $100k from the District’s reserve funds. Director Hudson thanked the Board for deciding on a rebuild instead of a renovation.
   
   **Motion:** Move to allocate $263,000 to the Ambrose Memorial Park lower restroom replacement project to include replacing storm drain, demolition, ADA improvements and site preparation.
   
   **Motion:** Torlakson  **Second:** Garcia
   
   **Action:** **Roll Call Vote:** *Ayes:* Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Lopez-Garcia, Hudson  *Noes:* None
   
   *Absent:* None  *Abstentions:* None

10. **Public Hearing:**
None

11. **Closed Session**
   
a. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to confer with its legal counsel regarding Mason v. ARPD, Contra Costa County Superior Court No. C19-01230. The Chair reconvened the meeting and stated there was no action taken.

12. **Committee Reports and Board Comments and Items for Next Agenda:**
   
   Director Torlakson congratulated and welcomed Director Garcia and Director Torres. She also shared that she attended the Shoreline Park opening and recommended everyone visit the new park. Director Torres thanked everyone and is thrilled to work with the District. He also thanked Jasmine Cisneros for her amazing job with the garden. He attended the clean-up and noticed a lot of volunteers came from outside of Bay Point. He suggested holding meetings on Zoom. The Directors wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

13. **Closing Ceremonies:**
   
   **Adjournment**
   
   **Motion:** Move to adjourn the meeting.
   
   **Motion:** Torlakson  **Second:** Lopez-Garcia
   
   **Action:** **Roll Call Vote:** *Ayes:* Torlakson, Garcia, Torres, Lopez-Garcia, Hudson  *Noes:* None
   
   *Absent:* None  *Abstentions:* None

Approved by the Board of Directors on __________ ________________

Signature of Board Member