

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DRAFT MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2025

5:00 P.M.

Robert Livermore Community Center 4444 East Avenue, Livermore, California Sycamore Room

| DIRECTORS PRESENT: | Directors David Furst, Maryalice Faltings, James Boswell, Vice Chair Philip Pierpont, Chair Jan Palajac |
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| DIRECTORS ABSENT: | None. |
| STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: | Jill Kirk, Community Services Manager (CSM) Linda VanBuskirk, Executive Assistant (EA) Rene Venus Dalusong, Executive Assistant |
| DISTRICT COUNSEL: | Andrew Shen, Esq. with Renne Public Law Group (DC) |
| OTHERS PRESENT: | Jaskaran Parhar |

- CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Palajac called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. All Directors were present. Chair Palajac led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Chair Palajac opened the public comment period.
 - 2.1 Jaskaran Parhar asked the Board to consider adding a cricket pitch to a park or field in Livermore.

Chair Palajac noted that he attended the Facilities Committee today. The request will be added at the next meeting of the Facilities Committee.

3. CONSENT ITEMS:

- 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on January 29, 2025.
- 3.2 General Manager's Monthly Update to the Board on Issues and Projects February 2025.

MOTION:

Moved by Director Furst, seconded by Director Faltings, approved the Consent Agenda Items 3.1 and 3.2, by the following voice vote:

| AYES: | Directors Furst, Boswell, Faltings, Pierpont, and Chair Palajac (5) |
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| NOES: | None (0) |
| ABSTENTIONS: | None (0) |
| ABSENT: | None (0) |

4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 **Public Hearing**: Ordinance Repealing Ordinances Nos. 1, 2, and 4 (Establishing and Amending the LARPD Personnel System and Personnel Commission) The Board briefly reviewed adopting Ordinance No. 10 to repeal Ordinances 1, 2, and 4.

DC Shen reminded the Board that this was a follow-up on the last meeting and that two "readings" are required for approval. Public notice requirements have been fulfilled, and the ordinance was now set for approval.

Public Hearing: A public hearing was held to receive public comment. Chair Palajac opened public comment period. No public comments were received. Chair Palajac closed the public comment period.

MOTION:

Moved by Director Faltings, seconded by Director Boswell, approved Ordinance No. 10, on a second reading, by the following roll call vote:

| AYES: | Directors Furst, Boswell, Faltings, Pierpont, and Chair Palajac (5) |
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| NOES: | None (0) |
| ABSTENTIONS: | None (0) |
| ABSENT: | None (0) |

4.2 Nomination for the Alternate Special District Seat on Alameda LAFCo

EA VanBuskirk announced that the District received a letter, included in the agenda packet, dated January 21, 2025, from the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) regarding a vacancy for the Alternate Special District seat on LAFCo. She noted that the incumbent, Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold, plans to seek re-election. Candidate nominations are due by Friday, May 9, 2025. No Board members expressed interest in the vacancy.

Board Questions/Comments:

- a) Director Boswell commented that, given Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold's longstanding involvement in LAFCo, it is unlikely that a new alternate would be selected if she runs for re-election. He expressed no interest in running for the position.
- b) Director Pierpont asked for clarification on who casts the votes. [*The voters are made up of the chairs of the Boards of the members of the Alameda County Special Districts Association (ACSDA).*]

ACTION: No Board action was taken at this time.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Vice Chair Pierpont reported on his attendance, along with Chair Palajac, at the February 3, 2025 Program Committee meeting. Its agenda was included in the Board agenda packet. They discussed the committee's scope and Camp Shelly, which will be on the next agenda for further discussion. Chair Palajac added that the Committee will present recommendations to the Board after details are finalized.
- b) Director Furst reported on his attendance, along with Director Faltings, at the February 12, 2025 Facilities Committee meeting. Its agenda was included in the Board agenda packet. The discussion covered the 2024 Facilities Committee Recap, and the feasibility of the Quail Run Trail Connector.

- c) Director Furst reported on his attendance, along with Chair Palajac, at the February 10, 2025 Personnel Committee meeting. Its agenda was included in the Board agenda packet. The Committee reviewed the 2024 Personnel Committee Recap and received an update on DEI. Staff were asked to update language related to DEI and present it at the next committee meeting.
- d) Director Furst reported on his attendance at the February 5, 2025 Chamber of Commerce Business Alliance meeting. David Stark, Chief Public Affairs and Communications Officer at the Bay East Association of Realtors, presented an update on housing in the greater Bay Area.
- e) Chair Palajac reported on her attendance at the February 3, 2025 LARPD Foundation meeting. There was discussion regarding Foundation goals, development of the Champion Program, continued membership events and outreach, and reviewing the Trustee selection process. She also mentioned that the Annual Fundraiser is planned for June 21, 2025.
- 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE DIRECTORS No items to report.
- 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER
 - a) CSM Kirk informed the Board about an email invitation for the LARPD Volunteer Appreciation Celebration, scheduled for April 16, 2025, at the Robert Livermore Community Center. The Board acknowledged receipt of the email.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

APPROVED,

Jan Palajac Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Mathew L. Fuzie General Manager and Ex-officio Clerk to the Board of Directors

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