



Livermore Area
Recreation and Park District
An independent special district

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

AMENDED MINUTES

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

5:00 p.m.

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

Directors Present: Directors Jan Palajac, David Furst, James Boswell,
Vice Chair Maryalice Faltings, Chair Philip Pierpont

Directors Absent: None.

Staff Present: David Weisgerber, Community Outreach Supervisor
Jill Kirk, Community Services Manager
Julie Dreher, Finance Officer
Kelly McClanahan, Aquatics Supervisor
Kendahl Hettick, Financial Analyst
Marc Roberts, Land Agent / Planner
Mathew Fuzie, General Manager (GM)
Rene Venus Dalusong, Executive Assistant

District Counsel: Gary Bell, Esq. with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC
Meghan A. Wharton, Esq. with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC

Others Present: None.

1. **CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chair Pierpont called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. All Directors were present. Chair Pierpont led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chair Pierpont opened public comment. No further public comments were received, and public comment period was closed.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA** (Motion):
 - 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on April 29, 2026.
 - 3.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on May 4, 2026.
 - 3.3 General Manager's Monthly Update to the Board on Issues and Projects: May 2026.

MOTION:

Moved by Director Faltings, seconded by Director Palajac, approved the Consent Agenda Items 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3 as submitted, by the following voice vote:

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

4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 2026 Public Meetings in the Park Schedule Revision

The Board discussed moving the June 17, 2026 public meeting in the park from El Padro Park to Sunken Gardens Pump Track.

- **Direction:** The Board directed staff to move the June 17, 2026 Public Meeting in the Park from El Padro Park to Sunken Gardens Pump Track and change the time for the new Sunken Gardens Pump Track ribbon cutting ceremony from 6:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

4.2 Renew Special Tax 97-1 and Set the Rate for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

The Board adopted a resolution to renew Special Tax 97-1 and set the Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) rate at \$41.01 for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

RESOLUTION:

Moved by Director Palajac, seconded by Director Furst, adopted Resolution No. 2841, authorizing renewal of Special Tax 97-1 and setting the Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) rate at \$41.01 for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, by the following voice vote:

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

4.3 Public Hearing: Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Final Operating and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget

The Board approved the District’s Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Final Operating and CIP Budget.

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

RESOLUTION:

Moved by Director Boswell, seconded by Director Palajac, adopted Resolution No. 2842, approving the Final Operating and CIP Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, by the following roll call vote:

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

4.4 Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan Update Phase 4: Policy Discussion

The Board continued discussion of the Master Plan policy items from its May 4, 2026 workshop and focused on system condition standards and lifecycle-based funding for parks and facilities (Supplemental Item 4.4).

- **DIRECTION:** The Board provided direction on draft goals, policies, and implementation strategies for the continued development of the Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan update.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Director Boswell reported attending the May 4, 2026, Finance Committee meeting with Director Palajac. The Committee discussed the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget, changes to the Reserve Policy, and updates on the Playground Replacement Program, and March preliminary financials. The agenda was included in the Board agenda packet.
- b) Director Furst reported attending the May 11, 2026, Personnel Committee meeting with Director Boswell. The Committee received an update on recruitment and healthcare plans. The agenda was included in the Board agenda packet.
- c) Vice Chair Faltings reported attending the May 13, 2026, Program Committee meeting with Director Furst. The Committee discussed special events for the coming year, the soccer program, and Ravenswood Historic Site programming updates. The agenda was included in the Board agenda packet.
- d) Director Furst reported attending the May 13, 2026, Alameda County Special Districts Association meeting. The guest speaker, Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director of StopWaste (Alameda County Waste Management Authority) provided an overview of their activities.
- e) Director Furst reported attending the May 6, 2026, Chamber of Commerce Business Alliance meeting. The guest speaker, John Freeman, District Manager of California Water Service, provided an overview of the California Water Service Group.
- f) Director Palajac reported attending the May 4, 2026, LARPD Foundation meeting. The Foundation presented Rotary Grant awards and discussed agenda format strategies. She stated that at the next Foundation meeting, discussion will focus on the Wine Down in the Grove Fundraiser event planning, so an LARPD Board Liaison does not need to attend the meeting.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE DIRECTORS:

- a) Director Boswell briefly talked about the history of the Friendship Center and the services it provides.
- b) Chair Pierpont announced that LARPD staff will be at the Livermore Downtown Street Fest event to promote sign-ups for the new Soccer Program.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER:

GM Fuzie reminded the Board about the upcoming California Association of Recreation and Park Districts conference on May 27 – 30, 2026 to be held in Monterey, California.

8. OPEN SESSION DISCLOSURE REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEM 9.1 (Gov. Code, § 54957.7)

Chair Pierpont announced Closed Session Item 9.1 as listed on the agenda.

9. CLOSED SESSION

9.1 Conference with Legal Counsel; Existing Litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1).)

The Board of Directors finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of the District in the litigation.

Name of Case: Livermore Area Recreation and Park District v. East Bay Regional Park District

Names of Parties: Livermore Area Recreation and Park District; East Bay Regional Park District; Melissa Wilk, in her capacity as the Alameda County Auditor-Controller
Case No.: San Francisco Superior Court Case No.: CPF-25-519308

The Board agreed without motion and by unanimous consent to continue this item to a future meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

APPROVED,

Philip Pierpont
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

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

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