

**MINUTES  
ALAMEDA COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORICAL  
COMMISSION**

**Thursday, June 1, 2006  
East Bay Regional Park District,  
2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA  
(Approved September 7, 2006)**

**I. Call to Order – Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 p.m. by Commissioner Sadoff, Chair.

Commissioners Present:

Annalee Allen  
Marie Cronin  
James Loughran  
David Sadoff  
Julie Machado  
Stephen Sanger  
Dennis Waespi  
MaryAnn McMillan  
David Tam  
Ellen Wyrick-Parkinson  
David Furst

Commissioners Excused:

Cecilia Weed

Commissioners Absent:

Harry Francis  
Abe Friedman

Guests:

Piedmont High School Seniors

Staff Present:

Alex Amoroso  
Cindy Horvath  
Nilma Singh

**INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE** – A folder of newsletters and other mailings from various government agencies and private organizations will be circulated for the Commission’s review. Commissioners may bring up any information item of interest to the Commission. No action may be taken on these items.

- II. APPROVAL of MINUTES:** Commissioner Loughran moved to approve the February 2<sup>nd</sup> Minutes as submitted and the Chair seconded. Motion carried with Commissioners Furst and Ellen abstaining.

Commissioner Tam moved to approve the February 27<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting Minutes with a correction on the motion on page 3 and Commissioner Waespi seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Furst moved to approve March 2<sup>nd</sup> Minutes. The Chair made a typo correction on pages 1 and 3. Commissioner Waespi seconded and the motion carried with Commissioner Tam abstaining.

Commissioner Loughran moved to approve the April 6<sup>th</sup> Minutes and Commissioner Tam seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Loughran moved to approve the April 6<sup>th</sup> Workshop Minutes. Commissioner Tam made a typo correction on page 2. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Furst which carried unanimously.

Commissioner Loughran moved to approve the May 4<sup>th</sup> Minutes and Commissioner Waespi seconded with the correction on page 2, under District 4. Motion carried with Commissioners Sanger and Tam abstaining.

**III. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – None.**

**IV. CHAIR and STAFF REPORT(S):**

**A. CHAIR REPORT –** No report.

**B. STAFF REPORT –** No report.

**V. OLD BUSINESS –**

**A. PRHC Bylaws –** The Commission discussed the Bylaws including the modifications provided by the Chair and Commissioner Furst. The Chair noted that their recommendations will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors (BOS). A discussion followed on the name, meeting place and time, special meetings, quorum and absences. Commissioner Sanger recommended that a quarterly attendance report be prepared by staff as done previously. The consensus was that the Commission name remain as Alameda County Parks, Recreational and Historical Commission; the location does not have to be specified in the Bylaws but only on the agenda; replacing the words “...by a majority of the members” with “Vice-Chair” in Section 3.2; the quorum be lowered to five or more members; Section 3.5 to read: “In the absence of a quorum, the members present may proceed with the meeting and discussion of items on the meeting agenda but shall not take any official actions”; Section 3.6 be modified with the deletion of the first sentence; and deleting the last sentence under Section 3:8.

The Chair recommended a working copy of the Bylaws for discussion at the next meeting.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS –**

**A. 728 Bockman Road –** Ms. Horvath announced that this is the photograph of the wrong address. To-date, no application has been submitted for any project at this site but planners have been alerted. Commissioner McMillan agreed that the house in the photograph is not in discussion and further submitted a photocopy of the original house of Mr. Denevi and Mr. Henry Bockman Sr.

**B. Request from Board of Supervisors –** Ms. Horvath explained that the Board of Supervisors periodically requests such presentations and noted that Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> is the scheduled date for this Commission’s presentation.

**VII. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS – None.**

**VIII. COMMISSIONER REPORTS -**

**A. District 1 –** Commissioner Furst reported that entering Olivina Stone Gate as a historical entity is on-going.

**B. District 2 –** Commissioner McMillan stated that she has been doing research at the San Leandro Library with films available at the Hayward Historical Society on Olivina Ranch and

information on Castro Valley. She expressed a willingness to do research for any interested Commissioners.

- C. **District 3** – Commissioner Loughran reported that the new historical restoration program for downtown San Leandro, from the Bart station to the front of the San Leandro Church and through the side of Washington Square Shopping Center and to the bus station at the corner of Davis and E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, is almost complete.
- D. **District 4** – Commissioner Allen distributed a copy of the Western Preservation News, a newsletter from the National Trust’s Western Office, noting the presentation by Richard Moe, President of National Trust for Historic Preservation on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at the Commonwealth Club of California at 5:30 p.m., a flyer on Oakland to 9<sup>th</sup> Waterfront Neighborhood and a flyer on Oakland Heritage Alliance announcing their 25 year anniversary. She further announced the opening of Oakland’s Cohen-Bray House on May 21, 2006; City of Alameda Awards Night on June 4 at 7 pm with the focus on Measure A; the opening of a new park, Union Point Park, on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> in Oakland and Open Studios this week-end with 400 artists participating. She had also attended the Bahaa Annual Meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>;

The Chair announced that the CV Preservation Alliance is officially incorporated and he was the President. EBMUD’s property, a 24-acre surplus property, will be going up as a bond measure in November. The June 12<sup>th</sup> HARD Board meeting will confirm this.

Commissioner Waespi announced the appointment of Nancy Skinner as the new Park District Board member. He asked if the Commission will be presented at the Alameda County Fair and suggested distributing the Directories. Commissioner Machado suggested that perhaps the directories could be used at BOS presentation and Commissioner Allen recommended that the year on the front page be deleted when re-printing the directories.

- E. **District 5** – Commissioner Ellen reported that the Wood Street project is in progress; the station project is awaiting the consultants’ return with the results of the meetings and the Ramundo Park project is also in progress.

Commissioner Tam distributed related articles on Berkeley Progressive Platform meeting and Berkeley Daily Plan-it. A discussion on Measure A followed.

## IX. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. **Agenda items for July 6** – The Chair noted the following two items for the next agenda: The Bylaws and an up-date on the Preservation Ordinance.

**AGENDA PENDING FILE:** – These items are pending further action and will be placed on a future agenda when project information becomes available.

- A. **278 Hampton Road** – No report.
- B. **Historical Review, 5328 Proctor Road, Castro Valle** – No report.
- C. **Highland Hospital Acute Tower Replacement Project** – EIR Consultant is being hired.
- D. **Fairmont Hospital/White Cotton Cottage** – No report.

**E. 16918 and 16921 through 16941 Harvard Avenue, unincorporated Cherryland area, ZU2219 and ZU-2220** – Environmental work not yet started.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no other business, Commissioner Loughran made the motion to adjourn and Commissioner Waespi seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.