



**Board of Directors Meeting**

**April 19, 2021**

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**MINUTES**

**I. WELCOME /CALL TO ORDER**

**NOTE: MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM**

Meeting Called to order at 6:14PM by President Antonette

Board: Ron Antonette, Kathy Fishkin, Mark Hardison, & David Zanatta

Staff: Trinka Rowsell - Executive Director, Randy Zarn – Administrative Assistant

Guest: PRM Director Brent Dennis, Intern Kimberly Padron

Excused: None

Absent: Lillian Parker, Trina Schoonmaker

**II. WARM UP**

A. What is your favorite Coffee Shop in Long Beach?

Suggestions offered by the Board included The Merchant, Steelhead Coffee & Tierra Mia Coffee

**III. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS - Approval of Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting March 22, 2021

Motion was made and seconded to approve item A from Consent Agenda (Zanatta, Hardison) 4-0

**IV. PRM DIRECTOR UPDATE**

PRM Director Dennis provided Board with a written summary of Department highlights for month of April

Orange Tier Reopening/COVID & COVID Vaccinations – With the city moving into the Orange Tier allows for the reopening of the two indoor pools at Silverado & King Parks. Most of PRM & Animal Care Service staff members have been fully vaccinated, once the

city moves into the Yellow Covid Tier gradual reopening of other indoor facilities is likely

Mobile RECESS & Learning Hubs – Mobile RECESS operating since October at ten sites are continuing through June 18, 2021, with General Fund support. Learning Hubs operational to provide academic support, internet access, sports, fitness and safe after school activities at Houghton, McBride, Orizaba, and Veteran’s Parks weekdays from 7:30AM-5:00PM

Virtual Unveilings & Celebrations for various projects – Council District 2 will be in virtual celebration mode for the Promenade Park slide shade structure. PRM working with Council District 3 office and LBTV to film and produce a virtual unveiling of the new Junipero Playground, & Granada Beach Concessions Building. Final date for airing will be determined

Furloughs – Furloughs for PRM will be ending after April 6, 2021, with federal stimulus funds covering the balance of the budget shortfall for FY/21

Citywide Fee Study / PRM Fees & Recommendations – Report was submitted to City Council for review, with anticipated action by Council in May

Earth Day & Arbor Day Tree Planting – In partnership with Conservation Corps, PRM will be actively planting over 200 trees in all City Council districts during the week of Arbor Day and Earth Day in late April

Director Dennis announced that Sharon Higa was recently appointed as a new Parks & Recreation Commissioner

Director Dennis reported that city is working with Los Angeles County to take over control of an 11 acre parcel adjacent LA River in Eighth Council District for potential future park use

Director Dennis announced the Stephen Curry Foundation will be funding renovation of basketball court at Martin Luther King Jr. Park

Director Dennis reported that PRM is interviewing for new Municipal Band Director, and summarized the potential for a limited date(s) for Summer concerts potentially held at Blair Field, Veteran’s or Marine Stadiums, with limited in person attendance and simulcast on social media

Director Dennis informed the Board on the hiring of 12 Covid Youth Ambassadors to part time positions with PRM in the recreation division

Director Dennis related progress made with Hudson Community Gardens group in implementing new management plan for their site

## **V. SOWING THE SEEDS FUNDRAISER**

Executive Director Rowsell presented the Board an outline with options for holding the Sowing the Seeds Event in person (if permitted), or virtual for 2021. Discussion by

Board regarding pros and cons of both types of events, along with details such as potential honorees, sponsorship package, compilation video, location & VIP cocktail reception. Details to follow

## **VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE**

Executive Director Rowsell reported on the following:

QuickBooks is reconciled through February 28, 2021

Distributed POP Balance sheet Summary as of March 31, 2021 to Board

Executive Director Rowsell attended Tribute Bricks meeting with Director Dennis 3/25/21

Executive Director Rowsell attended PRM Bi-Monthly Meeting 3/25/21

Executive Director Rowsell submitted Long Beach Port Sponsorship request for Sowing the Seeds Event 3/31/21

Executive Director Rowsell received signed MOU for new affiliate Carl Kemp – Juneteenth 2021 4/1/21

Executive Director Rowsell attended Emergency Opportunity meeting regarding migrant children housing at Convention Center with Mayor Garcia 4/5/21

Executive Director Rowsell submitted \$2,500 match funding request to Housing Opportunities program for the Elderly (HOPE) Foundation for Long Beach Gives – Benefiting Food Fund 4/6/21

Executive Director Rowsell sent MOU renewals to the following affiliates Ranchos Neighborhood Organization – NPP Program, Friends of Bixby Dog Park, Friends of Rosie the Riveter Park, Long Beach Community Garden, Mid-City Studio Tour, Park Land Advocates for Youth (PLAY), & El Dorado Dog Park Advocates 4/6/21

Executive Director Rowsell submitted POP Spring newsletter to printer 4/14/21

Executive Director Rowsell received Long Beach Gives 2021 application approval for POP 4/15/21

## **VII. CONFIRM NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE**

The next POP Board of Directors Meeting will be held May 17, 2021 6:00PM – @ TBD

## **IX. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned @ 7:58 PM by President Antonette

Respectfully Submitted:

Mark Hardison POP Secretary 5/10/21