



**Albert J. Boro Community Center – 50 Canal Street, San Rafael, CA
March 4, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER/

Chair/Staff Steve Mason called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members Present: Jairo Ceballos, Janet Tanchez, Lieu Phan, Louise Yost, Jenny Broering (late)

Members Absent: Salvador Avalos

P & R Commissioner Present: Ariel Shakeshaft

Staff Present: Lindsay Lara, City Clerk; Catherine Quffa, Assistant Library and Recreation Director; Steve Mason, Senior Recreation Supervisor

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

None

MINUTES

1. Member Yost motioned to accept the Pickleweed Advisory Committee Minutes for the meeting date of January 8, 2020. Member Ceballos seconded the motion.

AYES: Members: Ceballos, Tanchez, Phan, Yost
NOES: Members: None

ABSENT: Avalos, Broering

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

2. Introductions/Awards/Recognitions/Presentations

- A. Pickleweed Advisory Committee Members Oath of Office
City Clerk Lindsay Lara administered the ceremonial oath of office to new Pickleweed Advisory Committee member Janet Tanchez and Alternate Jairo Ceballos.

3. Public Comment from the audience regarding items not listed on the agenda

None

MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

4. Co-Sponsorship Applications and Final Reports

- A. Catholic Charities- Kids Club Summer Program
Senior Supervisor Mason provided a background on Kids Club program and the over two decade partnership the Center has with Catholic Charities in providing the program to youth in the community. The application before the committee requested use of multiple rooms in the Albert J. Boro Community Center and Pickleweed Athletic Fields for one week of staff training and a six week summer program, June 29, 2020 through August 7, 2020. Mason explained the Center was unable to accommodate Kid's Club's entire wish list of facilities while still being able to accommodate other programs during the summer but that a modified schedule of space for the program can be provided as has been the practice in past years for this program. Based on what the Center could accommodate last year, staff estimates that the actual value of providing a full fee-waiver would be approximately \$12,290.00.

Mason then introduced Lauren Muszynski, Program Director for Catholic Charities, who provided additional details on the program.

Member Broering motioned to grant Catholic Charities a full fee-waiver for a modified schedule of use of the Albert J. Boro Community Center and Pickleweed Park, as recommended by staff. Member Tanchez seconded the motion.

AYES: Members: Broering, Ceballos, Phan, Tanchez, Yost
NOES: Members: None
ABSENT: Members: Avalos

Motion Passed

B. Drawbridge- Weekly Expressive Art Groups

Senior Supervisor Mason presented an overview of the Drawbridge co-sponsorship application that was requesting a full fee-waiver for use of the Albert J. Boro Community Center Art Room on Mondays from 3:45 pm to 5:15 pm, July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The program offers a safe, supportive environment where youth ages four to 18 can use art to work through the complex emotions associated with poverty and family challenges. Value of a full fee-waiver is \$1,269.00.

Mason introduced Julie Scribner, representing Drawbridge, who provided additional details regarding the program. Scribner also answered Committee members' questions regarding specifics in the application.

Member Phan motioned to grant Drawbridge a full fee waiver for use of the Albert J. Boro Community Center Art Room on Mondays as requested. Member Broering seconded the motion.

AYES: Members: Broering, Ceballos, Phan, Tanchez, Yost
NOES: Members: None
ABSENT: Members: Avalos

Motion Passed

C. Blind and Vision Impaired of Marin- Spanish Support Group

Senior Supervisor Mason provided an overview of the Blind and Vision Impaired of Marin co-sponsorship application, noting corrections, and requesting a full fee-waiver for use of the Albert J. Boro Community Center Teen Room the second Tuesday of each month from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The program, which Mason noted has been utilizing the Center for many years and has been co-sponsored by the City through the Pickleweed Advisory Board since 2015, provides Spanish speaking visually impaired individuals, primarily from the Canal neighborhood, a support network and encourages them to get out and be involved rather than remaining in isolation at home. Value of a full fee-waiver is \$432.00.

Mason noted that Blind and Vision Impaired of Marin President Lillian Dreyer was seriously ill and unable to attend the evening's meeting to support the application. Longtime Committee members recalled past presentations and asked Mason questions regarding attendance and the programs impact on the Center. Mason stated that the time and attendance fit well in the Center's Teen Room and that attendees were very appreciative to gather in the Center.

Member Broering motioned to grant Blind and Vision Impaired of Marin a full fee waiver for use of the Albert J. Boro Community Center Teen Room as proposed in the Agenda Report. Member Phan seconded the motion.

AYES: Members: Broering, Ceballos, Phan, Tanechez, Yost

NOES: Members: None

ABSENT: Members: Avalos

Motion Passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COMMENTS

5. Other brief reports on any meetings or community events attended by Committee members.

A. General Plan 2040 Update

As the Pickleweed Advisory Committee representative to the General Plan 2040 Committee, Committee Member Broering provided an update on General Plan 2040 Committee's progress.

B. Committee Member Yost shared she had attended Resilient Neighborhoods and Canal Emergency Preparedness meetings.

STAFF COMMENTS

8. Mason mentioned recent and upcoming programs connected with the Center and distributed 2020 permit parking passes and updated Pickleweed Advisory Committee Membership lists to the Committee members.

ADJOURNMENT

7:54 PM

Next Meeting Scheduled: Wednesday, May 6, 2020, 7:00 PM