



AGENDA and MINUTES Land Park Community Association

Eskaton Monroe Lodge
3225 Freeport Boulevard
September 21, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Rules

- 1. If you wish to make a comment, please wait to be recognized by the Board President.**
- 2. Upon being recognized by the Chair, please identify yourself, and please limit your remarks to two minutes so that everyone may have an equal opportunity to speak and be heard.**
- 3. If you wish to distribute any materials at the meeting, please present them and obtain permission from the Board President in advance of the meeting.**

Board Members: Steve Winlock- President, Craig Rutledge- Vice President, Stephanie Duncan- Treasurer, Barry Hogan- Secretary, Michelle Smira Brattmiller, Pinki Cockrell, Shannel LaDue, John Puente, Lisa Riley, John Schade, Don Sronce, Art Taylor, and Steve Walker.

6:30 Call to order and brief Board Member Introductions: ***The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. with all board members present and approximately 37 people in attendance.***

I. Consent Calendar

- A. Minutes of Previous Board Meeting (Barry Hogan) **No minutes available since there was no meeting in August.**
- B. Budget and Board Expenditure Report (Stephanie Duncan) **(see attached report)**
- C. President's Report/Announcements **Steve indicated that there was a need for a meeting in October on the 19th. He thanked the Board and Stephanie for the great Membership BBQ. He indicated that LPCA has contracted with Joan Borucki for administrative help beginning September 1.**
- D. Thank you Noah's Bagels and Goodie Tuchews for the refreshments

II. Announcements Presentations

- A. Steve Hansen's office (Consuelo Hernandez): **Consuelo thanked the LPCA for its participation in Movie Night. It was a great success and enjoyed by many.**

Freeport Blvd improvements were supposed to be completed by August 15th but due to many factors, its completion has been delayed and completion is expected now by September 26th. The merging traffic from Sutterville to Freeport seems to be much better with the new striping. She asked for everyone's patience with the work. Investigation will begin on the traffic impact on Land Park Drive near the end of this year or early next year to give the traffic on both Land Park Drive and Freeport Blvd time to "normalize." The City has just finalized a 24/7 homeless service center to provide 210 beds. Hansen's office will put out an article for Next Door on what is being done for the homeless in Sacramento City and County. The audience raised questions as to parking in the area and in the "Grid" (downtown area).

- III. Raley's Center Presentation (Representative of the Raley's project) Todd Oliver, representing the Raley's team gave a presentation on the changes to the project as a result of community and city comments. He indicated that there will be a 12-foot high wall along the western and northern property lines for noise protection along with landscaping on the rear of the buildings facing the wall. All lighting in that area will be shielded downward and not visible from the adjacent residences. The 20 or so tenant shops will be individually distinct so they look like separate buildings, even though they are not. The historic Raley's sign relocation from the existing Raley's Center is a part of the new plan. The Planning Commission is expected to hear the application on October 20, 2016 and City Council action is expected on November 22, 2016. If approved, construction is expected to begin 6 months later with completion in about 11 months.**

IV. Committee Reports and Discussions

- A. Land Use (Steve Walker): Steve indicated that the Committee met in August to discuss and recommend on the Raley's Center. A letter was sent to the Board for its adoption in support of the project. With respect to the Marina Vista/Alder Grove project LPCA will be sponsoring a forum sometime in November where both the pro and con will be presented. The event is likely to be at Crocker/Riverside Elementary School and is expected to last about an hour and a half.**
- B. Grant Committee (Barry): Barry was contacted by Crocker/Riverside who indicated that their Garden Project is nearly complete. Upon completion the final portion of \$1,250 will be sent. He also indicated that he received an application for a grant from the Amphitheater Group for \$10,000. He said a Grant Committee meeting would be call soon to discuss the matter.**
- C. Parks (Pinki): Pinki reviewed the report that she presented, a copy of which is attached.**
- D. Public Safety (Art): Art indicated that they are still exploring ways in which the restrooms in Land Park can be locked after dark to increase safety and**

prevent damage to the restrooms. He indicated that there will be another Public Safety Seminar presented by the Sacramento Police and Fire on September 28th at 6pm at Crocker/Riverside Elementary. He asked for approval of \$150 for volunteer T-shirts. Motion was made by Barry and seconded by Art, approved unanimously for the expenditure of \$150 from the Events budget line.

- E. **Membership (Stephanie): Stephanie indicated that the Membership Appreciation BBQ was a great success with attendance of about 50 members. She said that membership is now up to about 200.**
- F. **Events (TOLP) (John Schade): John reviewed the report that he presented, a copy of which is attached.**
- G, **Executive Committee (Steve Winlock): Steve indicated that the contract with Joan Borucki for the Clerical/Bookkeeping work has started as of September 1 and that the Committee met to outline the specifics of her duties. Those duties were reviewed with the Board. He also indicated that there will be a meeting soon with the Committee to make recommendations on some additional bylaw changes.**

IV. New Business

- A. **Comments and Suggestions from Members and Audience Concern was expressed in the way that a recent gas line break was handled by the crew working on Freeport Blvd. It was suggested that safety issues for gas line breaks be raised with PG&E at the October meeting. There was also concern about when the Raley's Center letter was before the Board. Steve explained that due to time constraints for the comment period on the Draft EIR the letter was approved by the Board via e-mail vote.**
- B. **Comments and Suggestions from Board members: Pinki asked for Board approval to send a Get Well card to the owner of The Sandwich Spot as a show of concern and support for local businesses. It was unanimously approved by the Board. Barry suggested that for presentations in the future, like Raley's Center and the upcoming PG&E presentation that LPCA use a written questions process where audience members provide the president with written questions in advance of the presentation. It was unanimously agreed upon.**

V. Upcoming Events:

- A. **General Discussion: For a future meeting it was agreed that the Sacramento Step Forward organization should make a presentation to the Board. It was also agreed that the Public Safety Committee would work with them to see what can be done.**

Adjourn: 8:32 p.m. Next meeting October 19, 2016 at 6:30pm.

LAND PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

September 21, 2016

- We have \$70,036.87 in our bank accounts.
- In our checking account, we have \$32,932.73.
- In our savings account, we have \$29,104.26.
- In a separate savings account dedicated to the Rock Garden, there is currently a balance of \$7,999.88.

Prepared by Stephanie Duncan, Treasurer

September LPCA Parks Committee Report

1.) August 8, 2016 Parks Committee meeting recap.

- a. Dialog with Zoo Director Dr. Kyle Burks included his background, the choice between housing species specimens in their declining years (such as our Zebra), or participating in an AZA breeding program (such as giraffes) which is ultimately the AZA choice, and his vision as director. Prior to his appointment, he knew of the Sacramento Zoo by reputation, was aware of campus size limitations and reasons that a move to Sutter Landing Park was not realistic, and is committed to working within the current campus limits, noting there is room for internal expansion in open space which includes a portion of a former park roadway.
- b. Off the Grid at the Zoo, weekly Thursday food truck proposal beginning September 1st. Branding is ok with the Zoo although they do not benefit monetarily. Coupons for reduced price zoo admissions will be at a zoo booth in the truck area; zoo admissions end at 6:30 and it closes at 7. Those present voted that LPCA support the proposal if there is adequate neighbor notification and advance signage:
 - i. delay in direct neighbor notification was uncomfortable. LPCA assisted with e-blasts, posting on three Web sites and Next Door..
 - ii. The site is more distant from homes than thought; sound or light intrusion is nil, including live music. Through traffic can access Holy Spirit and West Land Park Dr. "No parking" signs were left afterwards in error; it was brought to OTG's attention by LPCA Board member John Puente who lives on an effected street.
 - iii. Attendees are primarily from the neighborhood, more so than at the monthly Mofo Food Truck Mania at the Village Green. Very pleasant!
 - iv. LPCA has not had a membership booth, although we are welcome to..
 - v. **ISSUE:** OTG has a porta potty, as did our park movie night, but the nearest park restroom at Duck Lake with a sink is not lit at night.
 - vi. **Shall we vote to Elevate the need to the city, especially if approving after dark events?**
- c. A group led by Jennifer Kauffman and Tim Zeff sought help to install a memorial bench for late Land Park activist and former LPCA president, Steve Belzer, in absence of a city process to do so. Land Park Volunteer Corp will undertake the project; donations may be directed to LPVC. Parties met to select sites; supplies were ordered! Done!!!
- d. Parks restrooms and safety. Art Taylor and Rick Stevenson will tour some parks with upgraded restrooms and lock-ability, and evaluated for our needs.
- e. No Parks committee meeting in September due to the holiday.
- f. **Next Parks committee meeting: Monday, October 3rd, 6:30 pm** features the historic Rose Garden Curator, Anita Clevenger. It is under Parks and Recreation, but is controversial due to rare antique species, and retaining or demolishing enhancements prompted by historic district nomination. Councilman Hansen's office had delayed action until December pending a committee of experts' findings. Park funding will also be discussed; possibility of taking a position vote..

2.) Land Park Boat Lake was fenced and drained for renovation the first week of September.

The work will take approximately four months. A committee of experts and the neighborhood

met for two years, and media coverage was extensive both last spring and this summer, yet the Internet lit with concerns. Birds were to relocate on their own; NONE were flightless species. Turtles were captured with the assistance of reptile cubs, and were sent to Front Street to be cleared for adoption; less than 12 were found in Land Park. To date, Front Street advised me that from 55- 75 turtles were adopted from parks; some potential adoptees were turned down due to inadequate accommodations. Non-native Koi were immediately adopted by Land Park Volunteer Corp. Non-native wildlife are not eligible for relocation. Some non-native carp were not relocated or transferred.

- 3.) The city and LPCA co-sponsored a movie night at the William Carroll Amphitheater on September 10th. LPCA collected used bedding and towels for Front Street Animal Shelter; thank you donors! Received more than I could load in my car!
- 4.) Duck Lake. Neighbors noted that the level of Duck Lake was lowering on September 16th and 17th. The lake has been overtaken by lotus which die off in Winter, but were originally purchased and deliberately planted. Intention was to remove plants for volunteers to help over winter. The water was lowered for easier removal. It was determined that the plants are too infested with aphid to retain, so overwintering volunteers are no longer needed. Daisy Ma, retired park horticulturist recommended less invasive lilies (as were planted historically.) be planted in the future. She had kept the lotus in control personally when on the park staff.. the fate of the remaining plants wasn't announced as of last week.
- 5.) Events supported by LPCA continue in Land Park .
 - a. Mofo Food Truck mania continues on the third Sunday at Village Green, corner of Sutterville and Freeport. Live music and bounce houses for children.
 - b. Off the Grid at the Zoo food trucks will continue on each Thursday until November.
 - c. **Land Park Volunteer Corp Park Work Day will be Saturday, October 1st, from 9-12.** Sign in at base camp behind Fairy Tale Town, across from the rock arbor above Duck Lake begins at 8:40. Timeliness is important, especially for groups. The number of planned projects are adjusted based on sign in attendance; late comers are disbursed to projects in process. If a large group is late, it may overwhelm existing work sites, but if timely, more projects could have been covered! There is a lot to do! Note seasonal time change to begin at 9. Complimentary coffee and pastries beforehand; complimentary barbeque lunch for volunteers afterwards.

Minutes of September 8, 2016 LPCA Events Committee meeting

Committee members present: John Schade, Pat Sturdavent, Craig Rutledge, Art Taylor, Steve Winlocak and Joan Borucki.

The meeting was an active & productive session. Chair John Schade explained that Sunday, May 21, 2017 should be the date for Taste 2017. He noted that the date would not conflict with any local school finals or graduations or holidays which might be scheduled in late May.

Site review chair Craig Rutledge presented a color map of potential street sites for Taste 2017. He noted that currently the best street option seems to be 10th Avenue between Riverside Blvd and 13th Street, based on tree canopy & likely neighborhood support. The site team will be contacting residents in the near future to assess their support for holding the annual Taste event in their neighborhood. Rutledge also has other potential street options if 10th Avenue is a "no go!" The site selection process will likely be completed by the committee's next meeting on October 13.

The committee members & Joan Borucki also discussed the overall time table for planning for Taste 2017. One of the most important early activities will be sending out initial solicitation letters to food & beverage vendors and event sponsors who have continued to support the Taste events over recent years. Those initial letters to past supporters will likely be sent out in late October.

Follow-up on the vendor letters will be sent by the chairs of the Beverage & Food Committees, Paula Swayne & John Puente, respectively, both veteran vendor coordinators for recent Tastes.

The initial announcement of the date & location of Taste will also be sent out to local media. Any additional information on Taste 2017 will be regularly updated on the LPCA website and in our monthly electronic newsletter.

The Events Committee is always looking for dedicated volunteers to work on the annual Taste event. Any person interested in volunteering for Taste 2017 should contact a Events Committee member.

Pat Sturdevant updated us on the development of a Sacramento Harvest program in the Land Park area. She wrote an article on the program for our September electronic newsletter. The initial Harvest will be focus only on citrus trees. High school students from McClatchy & Health Professional high schools will be dropping door hangers in October to explain the program. Initially, all of the fruit picked may be given back to the residents, but any extra fruit may also be given to needy families.

Other Events

Fall Safety & Security Demonstration, Crocker-Riverside Elementary School, September 28, 2016, 6:30-8 p.m..

Next Committee Meeting: October 13, 2016

Next Board Meeting: November 16, 2016

These Minutes were submitted to the LPCA Board on Wednesday, September 21, 2016.



September 12, 2016

Via Email

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RE: Land Park Commercial Center

Dear Ms. Mahaffey,

On behalf of the Land Park Community Association (“LPCA”), I write in connection with the draft EIR for the Land Park Commercial Center development (P15-048), better known to us as the Raley’s development project. In particular, I write to share the LPCA position *in support* of that proposal.

We would like to commend Raley’s and the development team for their intent to create a neighborhood oriented environment, as well as the scale and modern treatment of the project’s design. We feel this project is in true context with the surrounding area. Moreover, there are many attractive elements to the design including the Raley’s store itself, the extensive use of landscaped outdoor plazas, paseos and seating areas for dining and general public gatherings. We also appreciate the extensive use of trees and would like to add our encouragement that this be a high priority and that as many specimen size trees as possible be included.

After receiving input from the Land Park community as well as surrounding neighborhood associations and bicycle and pedestrian advocates, we feel that the Raley’s design team has done their due diligence to respond to neighborhood concerns and adjust their plans accordingly. We appreciate the additional bicycle and pedestrian access points into and out of the project as well as ample bicycle parking. The addition of glazing, windows and other building design elements to soften or break up the mass of the rear



building walls is also noted and welcomed. The Raley's Design Team also integrated the historic Raley's sign per neighbor requests and added foliage, trees, a closed fire lane, and other elements behind the Raley's building to limit the noise and light pollution into the backyards of neighboring homes. Each adjustment that the Raley's Design Team has made to accommodate the neighbors and the Land Park neighborhood continues to show us that they are a great neighbor and are willing to make this project an open and inclusive process.

The Land Park Community Association is excited about the Raley's development project and look forward to having a new Raley's shopping center on the former Capital Nursery site.

Sincerely,

LPCA Board of Directors
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