MINUTES ALAMEDA COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Thursday, October 5, 2006 East Bay Regional Park District, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA (Approved November 1, 2006)

I. Call to Order – Roll Call

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

Commissioners Present:	Commissioners Excused:
Dennis Waespi	Cecilia Weed
Ellen Wyrick-Parkinson	David Furst
James Loughran	Annalee Allen
David Sadoff	Marie Cronin
Julie Machado	
Harry Francis	
MaryAnn McMillan	Commissioners Absent
Stephen Sanger	Abe Friedman
David Tam	
	Guests:
Staff Present:	Larry Lepore, HARD
Lisa Asche	Marc Crawford
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 September 7th MINUTES – Staff announced that Commissioner Furst had pointed out that although he had been in attendance, his name had been omitted. Commissioner Sanger made the motion to approve the Minutes with the above correction and Commissioner Loughran seconded. Motion carried with Commissioner Tam abstaining.

III. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS - None.

IV. CHAIR and STAFF REPORT(S):

A. CHAIR REPORT - None

- **B. STAFF REPORT** Staff
- Historic Preservation Ordinance Staff reported that, at the request of staff, Carey & Company submitted updated information on the project. A meeting is scheduled next week with the company regarding the current contract expectations, new staff, timeline, historic inventories, product deliverables and extension of their contract.
- Olivina Winery Gate Mr. Frank Guido, City of Livermore, will be available at the November meeting with specific information on the type of support they would like to have from this Commission.

5328 Proctor Road, Castro Valley, CA – The EIR Consultant has started work.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. PRHC Bylaws and Administrative Code Staff noted the inclusion of email from Commissioner Sanger including reference links to what constitutes a quorum under the Brown Act. The Commission discussed Sections 3.2 Special Meetings; 3.4 Quorum, 3.6 Absence of Members and 3.8 Disqualification of Members. Ms. Asche pointed out that the Bylaws do not formalize how an excused absence occurs and explained the current process. The Chair requested staff to make the current changes as discussed, attempt language related to formalizing an excused absence, and agendized this item as an action for the November meeting.
- B. PRHC Presentation to Board of Supervisors Staff explained that the Board of Supervisors is requesting all appointed Boards and Commissions to present a 10-minute presentation to provide: a brief overview of their purpose, role/responsibility, membership, challenges, accomplishments and overall value to the County. The Commission discussed the draft presentation hand outs as provided by staff and offered further clarification and additional information to be added. The Chair indicated that the major duties could be the same as stated in the Ordinance; under Accomplishments, Commissioner Sanger recommended adding 'Evaluations on Proposed Development Projects for Impacts on Historical Significance' as the fifth bullet; under Opportunities, the consensus was to add the following: Up-date and Implement the Ordinance, Protect historical and cultural resources in the County and increase collaborations with other State, City and County Commissions/agencies; to perhaps combine the headings Challenges and Opportunities; add Limited Funds under Challenges; to change Future Projects to Visions with the following subheadings: Open Space Opportunities Per Capita and National/State standards, Funding; more active roles in providing comments on EIR impacts; implementing the Preservation Ordinance; and protecting and compilation of existing recreational, historical and cultural resources in the County. The Chair requested the subcommitee to work with staff and prepare a dry run in PowerPoint for the November 7th meeting.
- **C. Castro Valley Bond Measure Q** Larry Lepore, HARD, and Marc Crawford provided further information on increasing support for the Measure by the Castro Valley citizens and announced the fundraiser event later tonight. Commissioner Waespi motioned to endorse the Measure and Commissioner Tam seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS -

- A. Foothill-South Toll Road Commissioner Tam provided the background as provided in the packet. Commissioner Francis made the motion to adopt the resolution as submitted and Commissioner McMillan seconded. Motion passed with Commissioner Loughran dissenting.
- **B.** Nominating Committee The Commission voted unanimously for Commissioners Francis and McMillan for the sub-committee.

VII. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS – None.

VIII.COMMISSIONER REPORTS -

A. District 1 – No report.

B. District 2 – Commissioner Francis reported that the Castro Valley skateboard park project in Castro Valley is on the drawing board.

Commissioner McMillan distributed several newspaper articles (San Jose Mercury, Daily Review) relating to preservation laws being adopted in other bay area cities and recommended that the Commission should directly sort out the issues described in the articles and have answers before the next public presentation. She also reported that the northern side of the Bockman Road shopping center is still in existence.

Commissioner Machado announced that her husband is providing music at the Measure Q fundraiser on September 12th from 5-8pm.

- **C. District 3** Commissioner Loughran announced that the historical corridor restoration program for downtown San Leandro is complete.
- **D.** District 4 Commissioner Sadoff reported that the appeal by CV Preservation Alliance on the Malabar project was denied by the BOS today and will now be taken before the Superior Court Judge.

Commissioner Waespi announced that the East Shore Park dedication was held yesterday.

E. District 5 – No report. Commissioner Tam requested that meetings could be held in Hayward, a more transit-oriented location. The Chair replied that this matter had been previously discussed at great lengths and the Commission had opted for this location.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Agenda items for November 2, 2006 meeting – No new items.

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.** Highland Hospital Acute Tower Replacement Project ~ *The EIR consultant is being hired.*
- C. 5328 Proctor Road, Castro Valley, CA The EIR consultant is being selected.
- D. Fairmont Hospital/White Cotton Cottage No report.
- E. 16918 and 16921 through 16941 Harvard Avenue, unincorporated Cherryland area in Hayward, ZU-2219 and ZU-2220 *Environmental work not yet started.*
- F. Olivina Winery Gate Pending letter of support to City of Livermore to list Gate on State Register.
- G. 5328 Proctor Road, Castro Valley, CA The EIR consultant is being selected.
- **X. ADJOURNMENT**: There being no other business, Commissioner Waespi made the motion to adjourn and Commissioner McMillan seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.