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PARKS, RECREATION AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRWAC)

DRAFT Summary of Minutes

April 13, 2015

Members in Attendance: Andrew Fulks, Kent Lang, Rodney Higgins, Nancy Ullrey, Catherine Portman, Trini Campbell

Members Absent: Jennifer Henning, Jack Young, Patrick Reynolds

County Staff in Attendance: Assistant County Administrator, Mindi Nunes
Natural Resources Analyst, Elisa Sabatini

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fulks called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Motion: Ullrey. Second: Lang. Ayes: ALL

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The March 9, 2015 minutes were adopted with a revision of indicating Lang and Henning as Members in Attendance.

Motion: Lang. Second: Ullrey. Ayes: ALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Dave Pratt alerted the committee that the City of Woodland was applying for a rail relocation grant and that the group should consider coordinating with the City on a rails to trails conversion. Ms. Sabatini offered to get a copy of the City's planning study with a map for the committee.

5. REGULAR AGENDA

5.1 Advisory Members appointments/reappointments/resignations: Nothing to report.

5.2 Park Study Update: Elisa Sabatini, Analyst for the CAO Natural Resources Division provided the PRWAC with information related to the working group currently analyzing the current status of the Parks division. The workgroup is currently determining the operations and maintenance costs to develop a cost per park. This analysis should be ready in one week.

The County has contracted with a vendor to obtain usage information for all of the County parks except Dunnigan. County staff will perform the same analysis for Dunnigan. Vehicle counters will be used at the County boat launches and fishing access points and the data will be given to the vendor for inclusion in their study.

A graduate intern from CSU Sacramento is currently collecting performance metrics, staffing and organizational structure data from other county park systems for comparison.

The workgroup is requesting an ad-hoc subcommittee to assist with developing performance measures and report card data. Ms. Liddicoet will send a note to the committee asking for volunteers. The workgroup is willing to meet on evenings and weekends to accommodate members.

5.3 Review of current Parks Master Plan: Chair Fulks continued the Committee's work on reviewing the specifics of the Parks Master Plan and parks related items contained in the 2030 General Plan. The group reviewed items for Clarksburg, Elkhorn, Helvetia, Knights Landing Boat Launch, and Nichols Park. Notes and additional items will be added to the spreadsheet by Chair Fulks and will be available for review upon completion of the update.

The committee had consensus that a water trail system should be established and include a trail from Knights Landing to Elkhorn and from the Rumsey Bridge to Nichols Park.

Member Lang suggested the County promote the aspect that Yolo has the most river frontage of any County in the State.

Member Lang suggested the Committee pick a park site and work with volunteers and other partners to make it a showcase as a way of highlighting the Yolo parks system and encouraging participation at other parks.

6. PARKS DIVISION STAFF UPDATE *(Information below was provided by the Parks Manager unless otherwise noted.)*

No updated provided.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Reports by Committee Members on information they have received and meetings they have attended which would be of interest to the Committee or the public. *Please note that under the California Open*

Meetings Law (Government Code Section 54954.2); discussion of the Committee Members' reports is limited to asking clarifying questions. However, the Committee or any individual Committee members may request that an item be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

Committee Member Campbell reported that the ballot for the formation of the Esparto Recreation District is out and the door-to-door canvas is reflecting a positive response so far.

Chair Fulks met with Supervisor Provenza to discuss the parking lot closure at the Fremont Weir. Without an easement on approximately eight-hundred feet of privately owned land, access to this area is impeded.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA'S:

Parks Master Plan Review
Update on the Davis Communications/Grasslands sites

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fulks adjourned the meeting at 8:12PM. The next regular meeting of the PRWAC is scheduled for May 11, at 6:30pm.

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