

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Thursday, December 18, 2025

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened the Regular Meeting at 9:00 a.m. Present were, President Renata Simril, Vice President Luis Sanchez, and Commissioner Tafarai Bayne. Also present were, Jimmy Kim, General Manager, Matthew Rudnick, Executive Officer, Deputy City Attorney IV Steven Hong and Deputy City Attorney III Brendan Kearns.

The following Department staff members were also present:

Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager Planning Maintenance, and Construction Branch

Chinyere Stoneham, Assistant General Manager, Recreation Services Branch

Brenda Aguirre, Assistant General Manager, Special Operations Branch

Noel Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Administration Branch

CALL TO ORDER

Acknowledgement of Rachel Ramos- 35 years of Service to the City of Los Angeles

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Simril called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2025. Vice President Sanchez made such motion, and it was seconded by Commissioner Bayne. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 3-0.

GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Jimmy Kim, General Manager began his update by providing an update on the Play LA Equestrian Contract. I wanted to note that the Able Body Equestrian Contract has been issued. They will be activated for the winter and spring quarters. Mr. Kim mentioned An NTP was recently issued for the Para Equestrian, and they will be beginning in January. There will be a winter and spring session, and they will be about 5 weeks in length, and approximately 85 participants will be served during that time. Mr. Kim also provide an update on the Stoney Point bid, process. RAP has issued an RFP, that includes all three equestrian centers, Stony Point, Hansen Dam Horse Park, as well as the Los Angeles Equestrian Center, which was released on December 12th, and closes on March 24th, 2006.

Mr. Kim shared some updates as it relates to the Child Care RFP. He stated the RFP process resulted in the selection of 5 providers to manage 7 facilities. One of those facilities, out of the 8 will continue to be operated by Recreation and Parks. The Branford Childcare Center. Mr. Kim also provided and update on the Citywide Study of the Artificial Turf RFP which the bid opening will be held in January of 2026. Mr. Kim provided a brief update on the online permitting pilot program. He stated the program is still being implemented, as all locations and sub-locations need to be added to our asset management system. He mentioned the project is just a few months away from the initial launch.

Mr. Kim made note that RAP will be providing an update on the Griffith Park concessions at our next meeting in January. Mr. Kim introduced Michael Zambrano from the office of the City Administrative Office and Patrick Siggins from Council District 4 to provide the Riverside Drive Bridge Home Shelter Performance Matrix and Operations Update. Mr. Kim introduced Olin to provide an update on the Park Needs Assessment.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments on matters within the Board's jurisdiction were invited, 36 such requests were submitted.

BOARD REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD REPORTS

Public comments relevant to the Board Reports were requested; 6 such requests were submitted.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENTS

Discussion with Neighborhood Council Representatives on Neighborhood Council Resolutions or Community Impact Statements Filed with the City Clerk Relative to Any Item Listed or Being Considered on this Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners Meeting Agenda (Los Angeles Administrative Code 22.819; Ordinance 184243)

There was no such comment from Neighborhood Council Representatives relative to the Agenda Items being considered.

BOARD REPORTS

25-206 Transfer of Recreation and Park Funds to Meet the Operational Needs at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center

Board Report No. 25-206 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-207 Angels Gate Park – Playground Replacement (PRJ21457) Project – Final Acceptance – Decommitment of Park Fees

Board Report No. 25-207 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-208 Branford Recreation Center – Ball Field Improvements (PRJ21421) Project – Modification of Scope of Work – Categorically Exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302(b) [Replacement of a Commercial Structure with a New Structure of Substantially the Same Size, Purpose, and Capacity] and Section 15302(c) [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Utility Systems and/or Facilities Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 2(2) and Class 2(3) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-208 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-209 Poinsettia Recreation Center – Playground Improvements (PRJ21909) Project – Commitment of Park Fees – Categorically Exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(d) [Restoration or Rehabilitation of Deteriorated or Damaged Structures, Facilities, or Mechanical Equipment to Meet Current Standards of Public Health and Safety] and Section 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and will Have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(4) and Class 2 of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-209 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-210 Watts Senior Citizen Center – Roof and HVAC Replacement (PRJ21899) Project – Commitment of Park Fees – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15301(a) [Interior or Exterior Alterations Involving Such Things as Interior Partitions, Plumbing, and Electrical Conveyances], 15301(c) [Existing Highways and Streets, Sidewalks, Gutters, Bicycle and Pedestrian Trails, and Similar Facilities], and 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and will Have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1), Class 1(3), Class 2 and Class 2(6) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-210 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-211 Chatsworth Park South – Roofing Improvements (PRJ21808) Project – Commitment of Supplemental Park Fees – Modification of the Scope of Work – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 2 and Class 2(6) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-211 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-212 Seoul International Park – New Gymnasium (PRJ21910) Project – Commitment of Park Fees

Board Report No. 25-212 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-213 Wilmington Athletic Complex – Site Accessibility Improvements (PRJ21731) (PRJ21882) Project – Commitment of Park Fees – Exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) [Where It Can Be Seen with Certainty that There is No Possibility that the Activity in Question may have a Significant Effect on the Environment, the Activity is Not Subject to CEQA] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 2(i) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-213 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-214 Park Needs Assessment – Adoption of the 2025 Citywide Park Needs Assessment – Statutory Exemption from the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 18, Section 15262 [a Project Involving Only Feasibility or Planning Studies for Possible Future Actions Which the Agency, Board, or Commission has not Approved, Adopted, or Funded Does not Require the Preparation of an EIR or Negative Declaration but Does Require Consideration of Environmental Factors] of California CEQA Guidelines as well as Article II, Section 2(d) of City CEQA Guidelines

Jeremy Silva, City Planning Associate , Planning, Maintenance & Construction Branch, presented Board Report No. 25-214.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-215 Proposed Changes to the Various Sections of the Department of Recreation and Parks Schedule of Rates and Fees – Statutory Exemption from the Requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 18, Sections 15273(a)(1) [CEQA Does Not Apply to the Establishment, Modification, Structuring, Restructuring, or Approval of Rates, Tolls, Fares, or Other Charges by Public Agencies for the Purpose of Meeting Operating Expenses, Including Employee Wage Rates and Fringe Benefits] and 15273(a)(2) [CEQA Does Not Apply to the Establishment, Modification, Structuring, Restructuring, or Approval of Rates, Tolls, Fares, or Other Charges by Public Agencies for the Purpose of Obtaining Funds for Purchasing or Leasing Supplies, Equipment, or Materials] of California CEQA Guidelines as well as Article II, Section 2, Class (o)(4) of City CEQA Guidelines

Juan Aynat, Pr. Recreation Supervisor , Recreation Services Branch, presented Board Report No. 25-215.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-216 California Department of Social Services Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 General Child Care and Development Program (CCTR) – Approval of Submission of a Continued and Expansion Funding Application for Contract Renewal; Adopt Resolution; Accept Award

Board Report No. 25-216 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-217 Westwood Park – Roof And HVAC Replacement (PRJ21845) Project – Commitment of Supplemental Park Fees – Modification of the Scope of Work – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(f) [Addition of Safety or Health Protection Devices for use During Construction of or in Conjunction With Existing Structures, Facilities, or Mechanical Equipment, or Topographical Features Including Navigational Devices], and Section 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and will Have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(6), Class 2 and Class 2(6) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-217 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-218 Griffith Park – Sewer Improvements (PRJ21907) Project – Allocation of Quimby Fees – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental

Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302(c) [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Utility Systems and/or Facilities Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 2(3) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-218 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-219 Peck Park – Pickleball Installation (PRJ21719) Project – Final Acceptance – Decommitment of Park Fees; Peck Park – Fire Alarm Upgrades (PRJ21905) Project – Commitment of Park Fees – Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15301(a) [Interior or Exterior Alterations Involving Such Things as Interior Partitions, Plumbing, and Electrical Conveyances] and 15303 [Construction and Location of Limited Numbers of New, Small Facilities or Structures; Installation of Small New Equipment and Facilities in Small Structures; and the Conversion of Existing Small Structures from One Use to Another] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and 3(4) of City CEQA Guidelines;

Board Report No. 25-219 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-220 Glassell Park Synthetic Soccer Field (PRJ20760) (W.O. #E170187F) Project – Final Acceptance

Board Report No. 25-220 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-221 Baldwin Hills Recreation Center – Batting Cages (PRJ21184) Project – Cancellation of Project – Decommitment of Park Fees; Baldwin Hills Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21183/PRJ21897) Project – Modification of Scope of Work and Project Budget – Commitment of Park Fees – Allocation of Quimby Fees – Categorically Exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15301(c) [Minor Alterations of Existing Highways and Streets, Sidewalks, Gutters, Bicycle and Pedestrian Trails, and Similar Facilities]; 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities Where the New Structure will be Located on the Same Site as the Structure Replaced and Have Substantially the Same Purpose and Capacity] and 15303(e) [New Installation of Accessory (Appurtenant) Structures Including Garages, Carports, Patios, Swimming Pools, and Fences] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3), Class 2 and Class 3(6) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-221 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-222 Baldwin Vesting Tentative Tract Map VTT-84929-VHCA – Recommendation to the Advisory Agency for Land Dedication or a Combination of Land Dedication and In-Lieu Park Fee Payment

Board Report No. 25-222 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

25-223 Oakridge Residence – Memorandum of Understanding Between City of Los Angeles and Friends of Oakridge for the Restoration and Preservation of the Oakridge Residence; Categorical Exemption from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 [Operation, Repair, Maintenance, Permitting, Leasing, Licensing, or Minor Alteration of Existing Public or Private Structures, Facilities, Mechanical Equipment, or Topographical Features, Involving Negligible or No Expansion of Existing or Former Use] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(14) of City CEQA Guidelines

Board Report No. 25-223 was taken on consent.

DISPOSITION: APPROVED

President Simril requested a Motion to approve the Board Reports that were taken on Consent 25-206, 25-207, 25-208, 25-209, 25-210, 25-211, 25-212, 25-213, 25-216, 25-217, 25-218, 25-219, 25-220, 25-221, 25-222 and 25-223. It was moved by Vice President Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Bayne. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 3-0.

President Simril requested a Motion to approve Board Report 25-214 and 25-215 as presented. It was moved by Commissioner Bayne and seconded by Vice President Sanchez. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 3-0.

COMMISSION TASK FORCE UPDATES

Commission Task Force on Concessions

This Task force did not meet.

Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance

This Task force did not meet.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Comments from the Commissioners on Matters within the Board's jurisdiction and Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items were requested. Commissioner Bayne requested a report back on Arroyo Seco Park. Commission President Simril asked for a report back on RAP's Master plans. What is the status of the master plans and which plans are currently in process?

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

ATTEST

PRESIDENT

Satiree Sosa
BOARD SECRETARY