OFFICIAL **MINUTES** **OFFICIAL**

W.C. Walker Senior Center
505 Sunset Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263
July 28, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER:
   Co-Chair Camacho called the Special Board Meeting of the Shafter Recreation & Park District (SRPD) to order at 5:04 pm.
2. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:
   Co-Chair Camacho led the flag salute and Mr. Jimenez gave the invocation.
3. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
Gary Rodríguez	Nelson Salinas
Jorge López	Amando Chávez
Cristina Camacho	

4. POSTING OF THE AGENDA:
   The agenda was posted on Monday, July 27th, 2026, at 5:00 pm.
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.
6. CONSENT AGENDA:
   Director Rodríguez **MOVED** to approve the Consent Agenda. Director López **SECONDED.**
   AYES 3 (Rodríguez, López, Camacho)
   NAYS 0
   ABSENT 2
   ABSTAIN 0
   MOTION CARRIED
7. OLD BUSINESS – No Old Business
8. NEW BUSINESS
   A. THE WONDERFUL COMPANY RECOMMENDATION – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM**
   Mr. Garcia shared The Wonderful Company's recommendation for the updated scope for the TWCCSC, which includes 1 softball field, 1 picnic area, 2 playgrounds, 2 universal courts, 2 outdoor basketball courts, 2 soccer fields and 1 parking lot as well as the walkways connecting these areas. He noted that their estimate to finish Phase 1 with this scope is $7,145,805 and that they have requested that we rebid this to obtain current costs. He noted that we have requested that TWC send recommendations for additional bidders and that the process had already begun with multiple bids for irrigation/landscaping, fencing, paving and concrete and at least one bid for drinking fountains, benches and picnic areas. He also noted that TWC will be requesting monthly update meetings to ensure budget compliance. Co-Chair Camacho requested that the Board receive the same type of updates.

Mr. Salinas arrived at 5:25 pm during the discussion of New Business, Item A.

Director Rodriguez **MOVED** to approve the recommendation from TWC, but that actualized budget numbers be generated for an additional baseball field and presented alongside the requested budgeting information for TWC's consideration. Chair Salinas **SECONDED.**

AYES 4 (Rodríguez, López, Camacho, Salinas)
NAYS 0
ABSENT 1
ABSTAIN 0
MOTION CARRIED

B. COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION BUDGET – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM**
Mr. Garcia reported on the TWCCSC construction budget, which is currently being revised based on The Wonderful Company's scope recommendations and a new bidding process. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

C. TWCCSC FUNDRAISING – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM**
Mr. Jimenez reported on the meeting and complex tour with Nicole Parra of CRC, noting that she made several other helpful suggestions for fundraising efforts and that CRC will give $5000. The idea of creating a Business and Community Advisory Committee for SRPD and/or the 746 Foundation was discussed as well as scheduling a Fundraising Training with Somos el Poder. Chair Salinas noted that with the best efforts of our team, we are still struggling to raise the necessary funds and questioned if involving professional fundraising assistance would make sense.

Mr. Salinas left the meeting at 6:43 pm.

Co-Chair Camacho **MOVED** that staff be directed to set up the training with Somos el Poder for both the SRPD Board and the 746 Sports Foundation Board. Director López **SECONDED.**
AYES 3 (Rodríguez, López, Camacho)
NAYS 0
ABSENT 2
ABSTAIN 0
MOTION CARRIED

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS
Director Lopez reported that he found the meeting with Nicole Parra to be very positive and noted that we need to cultivate donors and need referrals from people like John Guinn to get connected with the right people.
Director Rodriguez requested graphs to illustrate fundraising goals and gains and encouraged that these be shared on social media so that the community knows where we are on the project.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: NOR Negotiations, Complex Business Plan

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: No Executive Session was held.

12. ADJOURNMENT: Co-Chair Camacho adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm.