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

April 11, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Board Meeting of the Shafter Recreation & Park District (SRPD) was called to order at 6:05 pm by Chair Gary Rodríguez.

2. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:

Chair Rodríguez led the flag salute and Mr. Jimenez led the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Gary Rodríguez
Lorena Ayón
Kevin Keillor
Fortino Valdivia

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Nelson Salinas

4. POSTING OF THE AGENDA:

The posting of the agenda was declared on Friday, April 7th, 2023, at 6:00 pm

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

Co-chair Ayón **MOVED** to approve item A of the Consent Agenda with the change that the Board would address New Business item 10A after Staff and Consultant Presentations and before Old Business. Director Valdivia **SECONDED** the motion.

AYES 4 (Valdivia, Keillor, Ayón, Rodríguez)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

Director Valdivia **MOVED** to approve items E, F and G on the Consent Agenda, tabling items B, C and D until a later date. Co-chair Ayón **SECONDED**.

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7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PROGRAMS: Did not meet.

PERSONNEL: Co-chair Ayón reported that six applications for the Program Coordinator were reviewed, and the Committee received input from Sam Cabrera regarding the position. In addition, electronic timekeeping/payroll technology was discussed, and

available bids reviewed, and a plan was made to schedule presentations from several companies for the Committee.

FACILITY ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT: Meeting is scheduled for 4/13/23.

BUDGET AND FINANCE: Did not meet.

SAFETY: Did not meet.

AD-HOC: Groundbreaking Ceremony – Did not meet.

8. STAFF AND CONSULTANT PRESENTATIONS:

DISTRICT MANAGER: Mr. Jimenez detailed WCW Senior Adult Program activities highlighting a recent technology training session that assisted seniors with using and benefitting from their cell phones/tablets, the April 14th outing to CALM followed by a picnic at Hart Park and preparations to participate in both the parade and the program at the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on April 29th. In office news, he noted that he and Steve Smith attended the CPRS Conference April 3-6, and it was energizing and motivating. PONY minors will get an extra week of practice, starting games on April 24th, to make up for all the weather-related cancelled practices. April 12th will be the last evaluation for PONY 10u and 14u, although a pitchers and catchers evaluation will also be held. This will allow these players to be identified and spread throughout the teams. SRPD will have a booth at both the Dia de los Niños Festival and the Cinco de Mayo Celebration. CSC site plans will be featured at both activities and the Cinco de Mayo booth will focus on a social media drive. SRPD also participated in the Spring Community Resources Fair held at the Activity Center and, that same evening, Mr. Jimenez attended a meeting related to the development of a Community Fund in connection with the Wonderful Company. A meeting is scheduled with A3 for April 14th to look at a potential athlete development program. Mr. Jimenez was recently elected to the Chamber of Commerce Board and hopes this will continue to help SRPD connect with the local business community.

CONSULTANT: Mr. Garcia gave an update on grant writing and administration activities. He is working to submit the third expense billing for the SPP grant as well as an advance of approximately \$3 million. He noted that he and Mr. Jimenez gave a presentation on the CSC to the Kiwanis Club and found them eager to participate.

746 SPORTS FOUNDATION: Mr. Jimenez reported that the 746 Foundation is meeting but is still lacking two board members representing the community. He encouraged Board Members to suggest candidates for the positions.

10A. NEW BUSINESS: INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX TAXATION. John Guinn and Jed Hwang of the Wonderful Company made a presentation on a plan for a Community Fund sustained by a Tax on the Industrial Complex the Wonderful Company is planning and noted interest in working through SRPD to levy the tax and manage the funds generated. Co-chair Ayón **MOVED** to authorize the District Manager to set up a meeting between Wonderful Company representatives and SRPD's legal counsel to begin exploring the idea. Director Keillor **SECONDED**.

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9. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **PROGRAM COORDINATOR POSITION – INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM**
The Program Coordinator position was discussed, and Chair Rodríguez established an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Co-chair Ayón and Director Keillor to conduct interviews of the candidates.
- B. **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Chair Rodríguez reassigned membership of the Programs and Safety Committees as follows:
Programs Committee: Directors Kevin Keillor and Nelson Salinas
Safety Committee: Directors Kevin Keillor and Fortino Valdivia
All other committees remain the same.
- C. **REVIEW OF 2023 JR NBA SEASON– INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez presented the report on 2023 Jr NBA Season evaluation and financials. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**
- D. **2023 PONY BASEBALL/SOFTBALL BUDGET– INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez presented the 2023 PONY Spring Baseball/Softball Budget for Board review/approval and noted that 527 youth are registered. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**
- E. **RAUSCH COMMUNICATIONS – INFORMATION/ ACTION ITEM** The Board discussed progress on the Board Self-Assessment and Strategic Planning with Rauch Communications. Concerns were expressed about what has been accomplished to date. Chair Rodríguez will follow up with a phone conference with Mr. Rauch and bring a report back to the Board. Co-chair Ayón **MOVED** to pay the current invoice of \$6140.17 and Chair Rodríguez **SECONDED**.
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- F. **BOARD POLICY REVIEW – INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Chair Rodriguez spoke to the need for a Revenue Directed Fund Policy. The item was referred to the Budget and Finance Committee for further study. Mr. Jimenez mentioned the possibility of a NEXUS study. The Board requested that a presentation be made at a future meeting. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**
- G. **A3 MORNING SESSIONS – INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez presented information on the possibility of moving two 7:00 pm evening sessions to 6:00 am. Recommend Board approval of changes to A3 class schedules to add morning sessions. Co-chair Ayón **MOVED** to exchange two 7:00 pm A3 sessions to 6:00 am sessions. Director Keillor **SECONDED** the motion.
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H. DISTRICT MANAGER ANNUAL EVALUATION -- **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** To be addressed in Executive Session (Gov. Code 54957 (b) (1))

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Addressed earlier in the meeting.

B. REDISTRICTING – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Chair Rodriguez led a discussion of creating voting districts for SRPD. Director Keillor **MOVED** to task Mr. Jimenez and his staff to research companies and arrange for a presentation to the Board. Director Valdivia **SECONDED** the motion.

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C. CONCESSIONS – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Tabled for a future meeting.

D. THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM**
Mr. Jimenez presented the Budget vs. Actuals Report for FY2022-2023 through March 2023 and YTD financial reports for Board approval. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

11. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: No reports.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: WCW Solar Panel Project, A&B Leagues, Wonderful Community Fund Proposal, Nexus Study, Creation of Voting Districts, SRPD Mascot, Strategic Planning, Streamline Implementation Review

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board went into closed session at 8:21 and came out of closed session at 9:07 pm. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

14. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Rodríguez adjourned the meeting at 9:08 pm.