City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Monday July 17, 2023 AT 1:00 PM

Golf Division Headquarters (In person) 3900 Chevy Chase Drive Los Angeles, 90039

ATTENDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair Kevin Fitzgerald, SCGA
Vice Chair Debbie Meymarian, At Large
Secretary Betty Brix, At Large
Jim Dover, Roosevelt Golf Club
Meg O'Brien, Penmar Women's Golf Club
Dana Cotter, Harbor Park Golf Club
John Given, Rancho Park Golf
Patrick MacFalane, At Large
Vicky Lagos, CIF City Section Commissioner
James An, Korean American Foundation
Matt Rogers, SCPGA

GOLF STAFF MEMBERS

Rick Reinschmidt, Golf Manager Calvin White, Principal Grounds Maintenance Supervisor II Chuck Ruiz, Acting Golf Supervisor II

ALTERNATES

Rosemary Menard, Harbor Park Women's Club Diane Naegele, Rancho Park Women's Club

PUBLIC

Steve Bloom, Griffith Park Golf Club Craig Kessler, SCGA Bette Mower, Harbor Park Women's Club Tish McCauley, Harbor Park Women's Club Kyle Newll Charna Blakely, Harbor Park Women's Club Janne Hamilton, Harbor Park Women's Club Kathy Johnstone, Harbor Park Women's Club Judy Borck, Harbor Park Women's Club Jan Blakeslle, Harbor Park Women's Club Beryl Bryant, Harbor Park Women's Club Verna Stroud, Harbor Park Women's Club Ivy Cass, Harbor Park Women's Club Marcy Valley, Rancho Park Women's Club Kevin O'Brien, Harbor Park Mens Club Junko Prior, Rancho Park Women's Club Judy Scates, Rancho Park Women's Club

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 PM by Chairperson Kevin Fitzgerald.

- 1) PUBLIC COMMENTS
 - a) No public comment.
- 2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a) Debbie Meymarian moved, Betty Brix seconded to approve the Minutes from the March 20, 2023 meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 3) DEPARTMENT REPORTS
 - a) GOLF MANAGER REPORT/CONCESSIONS REPORT Rick Reinschmidt

- i) A new commissioner was installed on the Board. To view the members of the Board go to LAPark.org/commissioner.
- ii) Men's and Women's Championships were held and were very successful. Men's winner Drayton Joseph 14 under, Women's winner Gabriella Kano was 8 under. The Men's event was mentioned during the USGA event and the USGA trophy was on display at the Women's event.
- iii) The netting and fencing was replaced/repaired in Griffith Park. Harding had netting replaced on hole 12 and fencing on hole 13. Trengan Academy driving range netting is being replaced.
- iv) Returfing will take place at the Rancho Park driving range.
- v) Raising the netting at Rancho Park and Griffith Park driving ranges needs approval before the work can begin.
- vi) Rancho Park mobilization starts tomorrow and abatement on Thursday. Demo will be a 2-month process and construction should start by mid September with completion scheduled for July 2024.
- vii) An RFP will be sent out for Woodley but first the building will be inspected by the City for building issues like those found at Rancho.
- viii) Question on adding a snack shack on Roosevelt by hole 3/4 was asked and answered that the current provider would have to do provide that. And a question how long contracts are for food providers? answer 10 years with a 5 year renewal option
- ix) New website for Rancho construction updates WWW.Establishedin1947.com
- x) New name for Rancho clubhouse Greenview Terrace and Kitchen
- xi) A Proposal with 3 options was handed out to review the City's Affiliate Club Policies with the goal of better aligning them with longstanding Department gender equity goals and certain directives of the City Attorney. Rick Reinschmidt explained the 3 options and why the Golf Division is trying to get in front of this issue. Then public comment began. A lively session with 14 members of the public speaking against all 3 options. At this point Kevin Fitzgerald asked that the Policies and Procedures subcommittee delve into the issue prior to the next meeting. Kevin directed the subcommittee to review and bring a recommendation back to the full committee that addresses equitable access for all clubs affiliated with the city per the Tournament Policy Book.

1) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) FEES AND CHARGES
 - i) No report.
- b) POLICIES AND PROCEDURES Jim Dover
 - i) No report
- c) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
 - i) No report.
- d) AD HOC WOMEN'S GOLF -

i) No report

2) ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- a) Meetings are now required to be held in person per California's open meetings law (Brown Act). The Brown Act was given to every GAC member to review, and the City may bring someone in for the next meeting to discuss this issue.
- b) Members discussed the GAC meeting commencement time of 1:00 p.m. A poll was taken about preferred meeting times and the results varied but all were within the 11-2pm time due to traffic issues. Kevin Fitzgerald reminded everyone that subcommittee meeting also must be in person but could be at any golf facility or at the golf managers office.
- c) All GAC seats are filled with one exception for the new term 2023-2024.

3) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) No Report

4) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Election of GAC Officers New Chair Kevin Fitzgerald, New Vice Chair Jim Dover, New Secretary. Betty Brix for 2023-2024 term
- b) Kevin Fitzgerald asked that all GAC members submit which subcommittee that they would like to be on and get it to him by end of week and then he will arrange the first meetings so new Chairs can be elected.
- c) A discussion on whether the use of capital improvement funds were needed to raise the driving range safety netting at Ranch Park and Griffith Park golf course. It was explained that we will need approvals before this job can be done so this issue was tabled.
- d) Discussion on the Roosevelt Golf Course parking lot access on weekends. It was explained that since it is a public park parking lot nothing can be done about people parking there and not playing golf. It was also explained that the Greek Theatre has a contract that at 7pm that lot is for their use only on performance nights.
 - e) A calendar of GAC meetings for the new 2023-2024 term will be sent out to all members.

4) ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) No Report
- 5) NEXT MEETING
 - a) September 18th 2023 at 1:00 p.m.
- 6) ADJOURNMENT
 - a) The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by	
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Betty Brix, Secretary