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

October 1, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Special Board Meeting of the Shafter Recreation & Park District (SRPD) was called to order at 5:01pm by Chair Salinas.

2. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:

Chair Salinas led the flag salute and Mr. Jimenez gave the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Gary Rodríguez
Cristina Camacho
Fortino Valdivia
Nelson Salinas

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Amando Chávez

4. POSTING OF THE AGENDA:

The posting of the agenda was declared on Friday, September 27th, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Chad Givens spoke on behalf of the Booster Club and noted that Shafter-Wasco week is approaching and addressed the Booster Club’s request to hold the annual bonfire on October 30th at 9:00 pm on SRPD’s property on East Ash. In response to the Board’s questions, he noted that the Booster Club works with the Kern County Fire Department and the Fire Marshall will be present. He also noted that Kirschenmann Brothers will assist with a backhoe to level the site, a water truck and lumber. He added that someone will remain to monitor the site after the bonfire and that cooldown and cleanup take a couple of days but the Booster Club will be responsible for these tasks. He then excused himself for another commitment.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

Director Camacho **MOVED** to approve the Consent Agenda except for item B and Co-Chair Valdivia **SECONDED**.

AYES 4 (Rodriguez, Camacho, Valdivia, Salinas)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. CSC GROUNDBREAKING – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez reviewed the current groundbreaking plans and the Board discussed the date for the groundbreaking, including allowing time for the final plans from Romtec to be submitted to the city and the need to complete the Construction Manager contract in time to allow the selected company to participate. Director Rodriguez **MOVED** to hold the groundbreaking on October 24th. Director Camacho **SECONDED**.

AYES 4 (Rodriguez, Camacho, Valdivia, Salinas)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

- B. DISTRICT MANAGER CONTRACT – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM**
Discussion of the District Manager’s evaluation/employment contract deferred for a future meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. FACILITY USE AGREEMENT – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez presented the Facility Use Agreement noting that it reflected standard language from CAPRI and had been reviewed by SRPD’s attorneys. Director Camacho **MOVED** to approve the Agreement and Director Rodriguez **SECONDED**.

AYES 4 (Rodriguez, Camacho, Valdivia, Salinas)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

- B. SHS BOOSTER CLUB REQUEST TO USE CSC – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** The Board discussed the Booster Club’s request to use SRPD’s property on East Ash for their annual bonfire and listed concerns that needed to be addressed by the Booster Club, including lighting, parking, port-a-potties, etc. Director Camacho **MOVED** to give conditional approval to the Booster Club’s request with several stipulations the provision of port-a-potties, lighting, police supervision, insurance certificate listing SRPD as additional insured for \$2-4 million and the signed approval of the Fire Marshall. Director Rodriguez **SECONDED**.

AYES 4 (Rodriguez, Camacho, Valdivia, Salinas)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

- C. CSC CONSTRUCTION MANAGER SELECTION– **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez Presented the Bid Analysis for the CSC Construction Manager for Board review and selection. After review and discussion, Director Valdivia **MOVED** to

accept the Columbo Construction, Inc. bid. Director Camacho **SECONDED** the motion.

AYES 4 (Rodriguez, Camacho, Valdivia, Salinas)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

D. HEAT PRESS PURCHASE – **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEM** Mr. Jimenez noted that the District’s heat press, which had been in use for about 25 years, could no longer be repaired and needed to be replaced and machine/pricing options were presented to the Board. After discussion, Director Camacho **MOVED** to purchase a heat press for \$2150 and Director Valdivia **SECONDED**.

AYES 4 (Rodriguez, Camacho, Valdivia, Salinas)

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1

ABSTAIN 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Director Camacho asked for an update on efforts to hire a Marketing & Fundraising Coordinator and it was noted that more than 20 applications had been received from Indeed and LinkedIn listings. She requested calendar invites for upcoming events and meetings. Chair Salinas confirmed the details on the SRPD mascot.

Director Rodriguez asked about getting feedback from the community and requested a presentation on this issue. He also noted that we need to continue to increase access to more sports to Shafter kids including golf and tennis and use these to help them obtain college scholarships. He asked about programs for adults and programs for challenged youth and adults, noting that we have room to grow.

Chair Salinas added his thanks to everyone for attending his grand opening and ribbon cutting.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Program Feedback, CSC Update

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: No executive session held.

12. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Salinas adjourned the meeting at 6:23 pm.