



## PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE COMMISSION

1000 San Pablo Avenue

Albany, CA 94706

Thursday, December 12, 2024

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2024 7:00 PM

#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – 7:00 PM**

Commissioners present: Abbott, Chang Frank, Marten, Sainburg

Commissioners absent: Kent, Oji

Staff present: Jamira Johnson, Public Works Administrative Assistant  
Mark Hurley, Public Works Director/City Engineer

The Albany Land Acknowledgement Statement as adopted by the City Council per City of Albany Minute Action, November 15, 2021, was read.

#### 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 14, 2024

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2024 regular meeting as presented was made by Commissioner Abbott and seconded by Commissioner Chang Frank.

AYES: Abbott, Chang Frank, Marten, Sainburg

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Kent, Oji

Motion passed.

#### 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

#### 4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### 5. **PRESENTATIONS**

**5-1. Fair Play in Community Sports Act Presentation (AB 2404)** – Presentation and overview of the City of Albany Field use. Showing compliance to AB 2404 and the pursuit to continue to work with existing field users to allocate more field time to girls' teams and their programs. (Presentation by Joy White, Recreation Supervisor)

**5-2. Capital Improvement Plan Presentation** – Staff will present an overview of the Capital Improvement Plan planning process, including introduction of a proposed Parks Program focused on capital renewal & maintenance projects. The presentation will include a summary of identified capital renewal needs and enhancements/improvements identified in programmatic guiding documents. (Presentation by Allison Carrillo, CIP Manager, and Devora Zauderer, Public Works Program Manager)

#### 6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**



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### **6-1. Marin School Tree Removal – Presentation by John Hawkridge, Urban Forester**

- Location: 1001 Santa Fe Ave. – Recommended for Removal

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Review: The removals at 1001 Santa Fe Ave. are Categorically Exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15304 “Minor Alterations to Land” of the CEQA Guidelines, which exempts the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of health, mature, scenic trees.

Motion to approve the removal of a tree at 1001 Santa Fe Avenue was made by Commissioner Abbott and seconded by Chair Sainburg.

AYES: Abbott, Chang Frank, Marten, Sainburg

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Kent, Oji

Motion passed.

### **7. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**

#### **7-1. Ohlone Greenway Mini Park Subcommittee – Ad Hoc (Sainburg, Kent, Oji)**

The purpose of the subcommittee is to research and recommend exercise or other play equipment to be placed at the Ohlone Greenway Linear Park.

### **8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Eucalyptus project, Street Tree Management Plan, Tom Bates field, update regarding the pop-up volleyball court

### **9. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 9, 2025, 7:00 PM**

### **10. ADJOURNMENT: 9:37 PM**