COUNTY OF SAN MATEO PARKS COMMISSION

District 1: Barbara Bonilla District 2: Heather Green District 3: Neil Merrilees District 4: Meda O. Okelo

District 5: Basem Manneh

Board Chambers 400 County Center, 1st Fl. Redwood City, CA 94063



MINUTES - FINAL

Hall of Justice

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

4:00 PM

The meeting began at 4:01 p.m.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call

Present 4 - Barbara Bonilla, Neil Merrilees, Meda O. Okelo, and Basem Manneh

Staff Present: Peggy Jensen, Interim Parks Director; Matthew Sanders, Deputy County Counsel; Scott Lombardi, Parks Superintendent; and Lori Mrizek, Commission Clerk.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Action Item(s)

4.1 Installation of new Commission Chair, Commissioner Sam Manneh

This item was tabled for a future meeting.

4.2 Review and approve the Minutes of the December 6, 2018 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting.

Motion: Bonilla / Second: Merrilees

Yes: 4 - Bonilla, Merrilees, Okelo, and Manneh

No: 0

5. Parks Foundation Executive Director's Report

Michele Beasley, Parks Foundation Executive Director, reported.

6. Department Report

6.1 Director's Report

Peggy Jensen, Interim Parks Director, reported.

7. Study Session: I.D.E.A. Initiative

Laurel Finnegan, Ranger IV, presented.

7.1 Accept the report regarding the I.D.E.A. Initiative.

Motion: Merrilees / Second: Manneh

Yes: 4 - Bonilla, Merrilees, Okelo, and Manneh

No: 0

8. Commissioners Reports*

Commissioner Bonilla thanked the other Commissioners for their work on the Commission this past year while she was Chair of the group and she looks forward to continuing her service as Commissioner.

Commissioner Merrilees reported that he has been going to the Ohlone Portola Heritage Trail meetings, and the group is in the process of putting together a video. He also reported that the Dog Committee is still moving forward, and parks for the Dog Pilot program were being discussed.

Commissioner Okelo thanked Commissioner Bonilla for her work as Chair of the Parks Commission this past year. Commissioner Okelo also requested that the Commissioners Work Plan should be discussed at every Commission meeting to better track the work being done. Also, he stated that he was recently at Crystal Springs Trail and the improvements that have been made there are phenomenal and the other visitors to the park also loved all the changes made.

Commissioner Manneh thanked outgoing Commission Bonilla and is looking forward to the coming year as Chair.

9. Items for Future Agenda

10. Adjournment

Motion: Manneh / Second: Merrilees

Yes: 4 - Bonilla, Merrilees, Okelo, and Manneh

No: 0

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.