

**EL DORADO HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING**

December 6, 2005

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Joe Chinn brought the special meeting to order on Tuesday, December 6, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. Directors Larry Brilliant, Justin Masters David Trapani and Constance Wyatt were in attendance. Also present were General Manager Wayne Lowery, Planning Director Dianna Hillyer, Parks Director Kent Oakley, and Administrative Assistant Kristie Downey. Approximately four members of the public were present.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. 1. Director Wyatt moved and Director Masters seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Sharon McNamee of Moore, Iacofano and Goldsman lead a discussion on the District's Park and Recreation Master Plan process and reviewed the Community Needs Assessment. She reviewed the steps taken so far and received the following comments:

Community Involvement. To date the District completed a youth survey, a statistical telephone survey by Godbe Research, an informal Saturday-In-The-Park survey, surveyed organized Sports Groups, Stakeholder Interviews and meetings with a Community Advisory Committee. In total, 884 persons from our community have provided input to the Master Plan.

Some of the key findings of the Community Survey are that 75% of the respondents use park and recreation facilities, with the highest usage amount 30-49 year olds and households with children. Lowest usage is among 20-29 year olds and persons 60 years old and older. Most person felt that the CSD should continue its efforts to maintain existing parks and facilities and provide recreation programs and activities. They felt the top priorities are Park Project with Natural areas and small parks in neighborhoods. Recreation facility priorities are in support of a teen center and sports fields within the community.

The survey of Organized Sports Groups felt priority should be to provide more facilities and to have better field maintenance. The Community Advisory Committee feels the major issues are maintenance and lack of field space, pools and senior facility and that opportunity for more bike trails, partnerships, special activities and upgrade and new facilities should be pursued.

Recreation Program Analysis. The Program analysis report reviewed the District's Recreation programs that are offered and potential strategies for improvements are identified. It was determined that 44% of EDH residents had participated in a recreation program and there are high levels of satisfaction with programs. Seniors, teens and adults are most underserved.

Park and Recreation Facilities Analysis. This report calculates the need for parks and recreation facilities within the CSD. It uses public involvement findings to identify trends relevant to parks and recreation facility needs with the community and presents a detailed assessment of need for each of the CSD major park classification and recreation facilities. The CSD owns 362 acres of parkland at 40 future and current sites that provide 5.32 acres/1,000 residents at buildout in 2020. Levels of Service (LOS) standards were reviewed and proposed standards were discussed. Director Chinn suggested that the CSD consider having more than 2.0 acres/1,000 residents for the Community Park standard

The Analysis shows that at buildout the District will need 4 additional neighborhood parks and 12 additional acres to service underserved areas identified on the Neighborhood Park Service Map. Another 2 village parks (20 acres) is needed and an additional 8 acres of other parkland acquisition is recommended. Director Chinn requested another map that would turn off the ½ mile circle for undeveloped neighborhood parks, especially for those in developed residential neighborhoods, as a method for identifying priority neighborhood park development. Director Brilliant felt that the County Regional Park at Bass Lake should be reflected on the map.

Vision, Goals and Strategies. The second part of the workshop is to discuss the vision of the Master Plan document. This will help guide future park, recreation, and open space planning, acquisition, development restoration, programming, management and partnerships. Building upon the data and analysis completed to date led to the Community Needs Assessment Report. With needs and standards laid out, it is now possible to develop strategies and actions that meet the vision and goals of the Master Plan.

The Board reviewed the District's core values (Excellence, Integrity, Community Service and People), Vision and Mission statements. Sharon presented a draft of the Master Plan Core Values (Excellence, Community, Sustainability and Service), Vision, Goals and Strategy Areas. After discussion it was decided that the District's Core Values would stand for the Master Plan as well, and Director Chinn suggested that Sustainability be added as a District Core Value. The Master Plan Vision was agreed to be separate but parallel to the District's Vision statement.

The Master Plan Vision Statement will be:

“We will build a healthier community in El Dorado Hills by providing exceptions park and recreation opportunities”.

The Board thought the Draft Goals were good. The following are ideas suggested for the various Master Plan Strategy Categories.

Parks

- Get developable land
- Meet needs outlined in MP
- Be geographically spaces to meet resident locations
- Prioritize parks in existing developed residential areas
- Balance and divide parks
- Set standards
- Acquire land
- Partner for regional parks

Recreation Programs

- More after-school programs
- Recreation leagues for teens
- Senior Programs
- Family night 1/month
- Use N’hood parks for family night

Recreation Facilities

- Seniors/Teens/Adults facilities
- Large Community Recreation Center
- Individual Ski Ramp
- Cultural Arts
- Theatre Seating vs. flexible seating
- Indoor Pool
- Indoor soccer
- Rock wall/yoga/fitness
- Racquetball/Indoor tennis
- Aquatic Center
- Partner with Schools to upgrade/maintain fields
- Partner with Schools to get better facility access

Open Space / Natural Areas / Trails

- Preserve/Protect/Acquire
- Partner with Serrano HOA
- Publicize a map of trails
- Develop rules for use (of trails)
- Potential to take over the Archery Range
- Obtain Open Space with identified O&M funding source
- Develop Trails Plan – recreation uses
- Explore connectivity of trails
- Establish minimum Open Space set asides for new projects

Next Steps for the development of the CSD Parks and Recreation Facility Master Plan include

1. Fine tune the Master Plan goals and draft strategies
2. Present draft strategies and preliminary CIP at Special Board Meeting on January 19, 2006.
7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

President Chinn adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:15 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Joseph J. Chinn, President
EDHCSD Board of Directors

DATE: _____

ATTEST: _____
Wayne A. Lowery, General Manager
Secretary to the Board Of Director

DATE: _____