

# TUOLUMNE RIVER REGIONAL PARK JPA COMMISSION

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 12:00 p.m.

Held via Teleconference

## MINUTES

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Tuolumne River Regional Park Joint Powers Association Commission (TRRP Commission), conducted via teleconference, was called to order at 12:11 p.m. by TRRP JPA Commission Chair, Eric Alvarez.

### II. ROLL CALL

Present:

- Chair Eric Alvarez
- Commissioner Nick Bavaro
- Commissioner Javier Lopez

Absent:

- Vice Chair Condit
- Commissioner Grewal

Staff:

City of Modesto:

- Nathan Houx, Julia Maniscalco, Laurie Smith, Blanca Ramirez, Edgar Garcia, Calogero Maniscalco, David Gomes, Deanna Christensen, Gabe da Silva, Joel Bueno, Kacey Culbertson, Kelly Gallagher, Maria Garnica, Stacey Pratt

Stanislaus County:

- Tera Chumley

Guests:

- Chris Guptill, Jim Kruse, Edgar Garibay, Kimberly Ryan

### III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

**ACTION: (LOPEZ/BAVARO) 3/0** approving the minutes of the January 11, 2023, meeting.

### IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### V. OLD BUSINESS

A. TRRP Project Update

Nathan Houx provided an update on the attached TRRP Project list.

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sale of 1500 Robertson Road to Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority

Edgar Garcia presented the item to the Commission.

**ACTION: (BAVARO/LOPEZ) 3/0** approving the sale of approximately four acres of

property located at 1500 Robertson Road, Modesto CA to Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority to be used for construction of a new 92-unit development known as Parque Rio and forwarding to the legislative bodies of the members of the joint powers authority (JPA) for approval.

- B. TRRP 2021-2022 Audited Financial Statements and Audit Reports  
Stacey Pratt presented the report to the Commission highlighting the Statement of Activities.

**ACTION: (BAVARO/LOPEZ) 3/0** accepting the audited financial statements and audit reports for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 audited by external auditors Hudson Henderson & Company.

- C. TRRP Project Funding Plan for 2023/2024  
Nathan Houx presented the TRRP Project funding plan for 2023/2024. There are three funding sources that staff are recommending funds be allocated towards, for a total of \$2,664,000: deferred maintenance, new park elements, and grant matching opportunities.

**ACTION: (LOPEZ/BAVARO) 3/0** approving the TRRP Project Funding Plan for 2023/2024.

- D. Waiving of Fees for RecFest 2023  
Organizers of the Modesto RecFest are asking the City to waive the permitting fees associated with hosting the event, as well as support by providing portable toilet facilities for the event, for an estimated amount of \$928.

**ACTION: (BAVARO/LOPEZ) 3/0** waiving rental fees for the 2023 Modesto RecFest and paying for the rental of portable toilet facilities

## VII. REPORTS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. FY22-23 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Operating Budget Update  
Nathan Houx updated the commission the current operating budget for TRRP. This update did not include the recently passed mid-year budget adjustment.
- B. Tuolumne River Trust Report  
Edgar Garibay thanked the Commission for their approval of the waiving of fees for RecFest and invited the commissioners to attend the event on March 18, 2023, at the Gateway Parcel.
- C. 9-2-99 Clean-Ups Update  
Chris Guptill informed the Commission that the 9-2-99 group will be working on preparing the park for the upcoming NICA NorCal races.
- D. Hispanic Youth Leadership Update  
Chris Guptill informed the commission that the check for funds to group has been given to CAC Commission Luis Jimenez and that the group should have access to the funds now.
- E. Dry Creek / River Trails Update  
Chris Guptill informed the Commission that there are currently ongoing repairs to the trails due to the recent storms.

**VIII. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA**

None

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.



## TRRP Project Updates – January 2023

1. **Airport Tree Trimming Update** – Years 1-4 are completed. Year 5 will start in October 2023.
2. **Legion Hall Demolition** – Due to the fire at American Legion Hall the American Legion Hall started demolition on January 3, 2023.
3. **TRRP River Pavilion and Learning Theater** – Project is in design. Construction documents are 70% complete. We are starting the environmental document process and permitting process. Target construction start is summer 2023.
4. **TRRP Riverwalk – Gateway to Legion** – Working obtaining property from Gallo, anticipated in early 2023. Design will begin winter 2022/23. Construction funding is needed. Target construction start is summer 2025.
5. **TRRP River Overlook** – Project is in design & permitting. Received 100% construction documents. Target construction start is summer 2023.
6. **TRRP Riverwalk – Gateway to Neece** – Design will begin February 2023. Grant funded construction. Target construction start summer 2024.
7. **TRRP Neece Drive Boat Launch** – Project is in design. Construction documents are 100% complete. All permit applications are submitted and 1 is still pending. Target construction start is summer 2023.
8. **Carpenter Road Area (Bellenita) Soccer Fields** – Project is currently being prepared for a February bid opening. Target construction start is spring 2023.
9. **TRRP Master Plan Update** – Design contract approved Sept 27. Design has begun and is anticipated to be completed in early 2024.
10. **Carpenter Road Habitat Restoration-** In coordination with the Tuolumne River Trust, The TRRP Carpenter Road project will increase salmonid rearing habitat around river mile 13. Project is currently on hold due to some issues related to the landfill closure. Target construction start for this project is summer 2024.
11. **TRRP Legion Park Area Disc Golf Course** – In coordination with the Modesto Area Disc Golf Club this project is proposed to develop a 9-hole beginners' course and an 18-hole advanced course in the TRRP Legion Park Area. We are currently working on finalizing an MOU with the organization. Target construction start is summer 2023.
12. **Security Cameras at TRRP** – This project is funded by City of Modesto ARPA funds. We have begun discussions with MPD about camera locations. Target construction start is spring 2023.
13. **Vegetation Management at TRRP** – This project is funded by City of Modesto ARPA Funds. Contractor has completed vegetation management in the Legion Park Area of TRRP. COMPLETE
14. **Legion Hall Parking Lot and Landscape Improvements** – This project is funded by City of Modesto ARPA funds. We will be re-evaluating this project and returning at a future meeting with potential alternate recommendations.
15. **Pending Grant Applications** – No currently pending grant applications.