



**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

REGULAR MEETING

RUSH PARK
3021 Blume Drive
Rossmoor, California

Tuesday, February 11, 2014

A. ORGANIZATION

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 P.M.**
- 2. ROLL CALL: Directors Coletta, Casey, Kahlert, DeMarco
President Maynard**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. PRESENTATIONS: None**

B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

LAGSL President Mike Wilson reported to the Board on the success of the recent carnival held at Rush Park. Mr. Wilson announced that the Spring Softball Season would begin on February 22, 2014. He also stated that there had been a decrease in league population this year and they closed registration with a total of 262 girls; a contributing factor being that many of last year's winners went out to travel ball. President Maynard stated that they should be proud of their winning record and the fact that they appeared to be a training ground for excellent players.

RHA Festival Coordinator Beverly Houghton announced that the 2014 Rossmoor Community Festival was fast approaching and would be held on Sunday, May 4, 2014, from 10 am to 5 pm at Rush Park. She stated that they were currently seeking vendors and that vendor applications could be found on the RHA website. She added that in light of the success of last year's food trucks, they would be having additional food truck vendors this year, along with the traditional dog parade, car show, High Heel Dash, rides and live entertainment.

D. REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

- 1. REPORT OF THE PW/CIP COMMITTEE RE: MID-YR CIPS AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

Recommendation for discussion and possible action on the report of the Public Works/CIP Committee recommending revised project lists and proposed budgets for inclusion with the Mid-Year Budget Adjustment.

The General Manager reported that the PW/CIP Committee met on February 4, 2014 to review the current state of the District's FY 2013-2014 CIP Project list and Fund 40 budget. The committee discussed the addition of new projects to the Project list. These included Upgrade of the District Computer Network, the Rossmoor Signature Wall Rehabilitation Project and the Rossmoor Signage Project.

Discussion ensued relative to the cost of replacing the current computer infrastructure as opposed to the possibility of more economical Cloud Computing Solutions.

Director Casey felt that the pros and cons of Cloud Based computing contained in the report were accurate and the concerns raised by Brea IT and staff relative to Cloud Data Storage security were valid. Director Coletta had questions relative to the safety of the District's financial data being stored in the Cloud. Administrative Assistant Liz Deering stated that more research needed to be done in order to have a clear picture of how further Cloud migration would affect the District and its current data security and operations. Director DeMarco stated that the District needed a consultant on the Cloud side of the issue. Director Kahlert asked General Counsel Gregg Kovacevich to opine regarding the legal ramifications of housing data in the Cloud. He inquired as to whether he was aware of any other cities and/or firms that had migrated to the Cloud. Gregg Kovacevich stated that he would research the matter and report his findings back to staff for inclusion in their report.

Motion by Director Kahlert, seconded by Director Casey to authorize a transfer in the amount of \$17,500 from CIP Fund 40 to General Fund 10 in order to designate funds toward the purchase of the necessary computer equipment, delay making a decision on said purchases and allow the staff to continue to do their due diligence researching possible Cloud Computing-Based Solutions for a report back to the Board at either the March or April of 2014. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion ensued relative to the brick repairs to the Rossmoor Signature Wall. Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director DeMarco to designate up to \$7,000 for remediation of the Signature Wall. Motion passed 5-0.

The General Manager updated the Board on the progress of the Rossmoor Monument Signage project. He stated that the District had been recently informed that the car wash property lessee opposed the installation of signage at the carwash location; which had been previously approved by the property owner. The lessee stated that the signage would interfere with his future development plans. President Maynard stated that he and Director Coletta would meet with the lessee to hear and hopefully mitigate any lingering concerns.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1a. MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING—January 14, 2014

1b. MINUTES PIFC MEETING—January 14, 2014

2. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT—December 2013

3. QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT

4. QUARTERLY RECREATION REPORT

5. QUARTERLY TREE REPORT

President Maynard called for a vote to approve the consent calendar. The consent calendar was unanimously approved as submitted, 5-0.

F. PUBLIC HEARING-None

G. RESOLUTIONS-None

H. REGULAR CALENDAR:

1. FY 2013-2014 MID YEAR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Recommendation to lay this item over to the Regular March 11, 2014 meeting of the Board due to a number of unanticipated expenses and capital costs experienced at the close of the calendar year. There would be no impact to the Budget Calendar due to this change.

Motion by Director Casey, seconded by Director DeMarco to adopt the recommendation to carry over the FY 2013-2014 Mid-Year Budget Adjustments until March 2014. Motion passed 5-0.

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LOCATION AND PLACEMENT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS SMART METERS WITH THE DISTRICT.

The General Manager reported on his recent meeting with Supervisor John Moorlach and the Southern California Gas Company regarding health and safety concerns raised by the Rossmoor Community in response to the So Cal Gas Company's proposal to install Data Collection Units in Rossmoor. He added that there were limitations to where the units could be installed because they had to be within 500 feet of each other in order to transmit data.

Director Coletta expressed strong opposition to the installation of DCUs in Rossmoor as well as the unit's close proximity to homes. He opined relative to health concerns and reduced property values. He stated that the Rossmoor community should not have to accept the installation of the DCU just because the Gas Company set up their infrastructure that way. He also stated that the District had made every effort to communicate with the Gas Company and suggest alternate locations, but to no avail. Lengthy discussion ensued relative to DCU pole aesthetics and possible replacement/removal options.

Community members Mark Gibbs, Elizabeth Morse and Mark Nitikman opined in opposition of the DCU installation. Mark Nitikman requested that the So Cal Gas Company Materials be made available on the District's website.

The General Manager responded that the So Cal Gas Company had met with him that very afternoon. He added that they had been very cooperative and accommodating and were willing to work with Rossmoor in any way possible. He reiterated that the Gas Company's DCU installation options were limited by the 500 ft. range, but that he would continue the dialogue with representative Paul Simonds until a satisfactory conclusion was reached. He concluded that he would include the item on next month's agenda.

Lengthy discussion ensued relative to health concerns alleged to be due to radio frequency emissions from the So Cal Gas Pole devices. The Board expressed their disappointment and resistance to installing the devices within the community due to the close proximity to homes. They requested that Southern California Gas Company propose alternative options in more remote or commercial-type areas; ideally outside of the community altogether.

3. AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS FOR CONDUCTING A FEE STUDY OF DISTRICT FACILITIES AND FIELDS.

The General Manager reported that the last fee study conducted by the District was in 2011/12 and had been done in-house to conserve costs. In response to the Rossmoor Homeowners Association resolution to the District requesting a comprehensive fee study reflecting the community's priorities, the District recommended conducting the fee study in house for under \$5,000 and if needed, an outside consultant would be sought for data validation.

Discussion ensued relative to the need to bring in an outside agency for validation. External Affairs Consultant Henry Taboada stated that the data would have to be reviewed and analyzed in order to ensure that costs were correctly allocated and cost recovery was adequate. He added that they would be using the same firm as in 2009.

Motion by Director DeMarco, seconded by Director Casey to conduct an internal fee study with staff, have the results validated by a third party contractor if needed and submit the findings prior to the adoption of next year's budget. Motion passed 5-0.

I. GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS:

General Manager James Ruth reported that he had met with RHA Traffic Committee representative Ralph Vartabedian regarding out of district student transport issues. The school district is currently doing a study on the impact to the Rossmoor community. He stated that he spoke with Seal Beach's Sean Crumby regarding mitigation of the Target Shopping Center exit complaints restricting drivers from going straight and instead forcing them to turn right or left, creating traffic issues. Director Kahlert inquired as to the reason for the current Target Center ingress/egress. Mark Nitikman stated that it had been a concern of past RHA members. He opined that it had proved to be an unwise idea, making accidents more likely. The General Manager added that Mr. Crumby had stated that he would support changing it back to being able to go straight. President Maynard

requested that the item be placed on a future agenda for the community's input. He further requested that an e-blast be sent out prior to the meeting in order to notify the public. The General Manager agreed.

J. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Director DeMarco thanked all the residents who came and opined regarding the So Cal Gas Company Gas Meter Pole installation issue. He also thanked Director Coletta and Director Casey for devoting the time and keeping up the momentum on the issue and exploring more options. He further stated that his neighbor had recently reported seeing a coyote walking down the street in broad daylight, suggesting that these predators still may pose a threat to the community.

Director Kahlert stated that he was encouraged by the progress on the Seal Beach Blvd. ingress/egress situation near the Target shopping center. He wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Director Casey thanked everyone for speaking out on the Gas Company issue. He stated his desire to continue to be involved with the issue and see it to a satisfactory conclusion.

Director Coletta thanked Director Casey for visiting resident's homes, increasing awareness and educating residents about the Gas Company Data Collection Units. He stated that the more people that unify and speak out, the greater the impact. He added that he appreciated everyone's attendance this evening.

President Maynard also conveyed his appreciation for the residents that took the time to attend the meeting and speak out on the Gas Meter pole issue. He encouraged the General Manager to continue the dialogue with the Gas Company representatives and if necessary, Supervisor Moorlach. He concluded by thanking LAGSL President Mike Wilson for the status report.

K. CLOSED SESSION:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Gov't Code section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: *RCSD v. Steven Wickser, et al.*

OC Superior Court Case No. 30-2013-00687577-CU-MC-CJC

President Maynard asked if there were any members of the public who wished to address the Board regarding the closed session item. No one came forward.

THE BOARD ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:15 P.M.

The Board reconvened to their regular meeting at 10:00 p.m. General Counsel reported that at approximately 9:15 p.m. the Board adjourned to closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). The Board discussed a single item that was on its closed session agenda. There was no reportable action.

L. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director Casey to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:07 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

SUBMITTED BY:

**James D. Ruth
General Manager**