

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Arden Manor Recreation and Park District
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Minutes: Special Meeting
Date: November 03, 2023
Time: 4:00 PM
Location: Jonas Larkspur Park,
Sacramento, CA 95864

1. CALL TO ORDER

a) Pledge of Allegiance

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a) Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

Michael Grace, Chair

Warren Harding, Director Jake Baumgartner, Secretary

Debra Cullifer, Director

Kelly Lewellen, District Manager Mike Cottonwood, Maintenance Supervisor

Eric Buchanan, Senior Maintenance Worker

Scott Redding, Helix Environmental Planning

3. VISION STATEMENT

Arden Manor Recreation and Park District, in partnership with the community, contributes to a high quality of life for residents of all ages in a safe, clean, healthy environment. Residents participate in programs that promote and enrich individual, family, and cultural harmony and prosperity.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a) Site Kick-off Meeting for Jonas Larkspur Park Nature Area Plan: The Board and district staff will meet with Scott Redding of Helix Environmental to discuss the future planning of the Jonas Larkspur Nature Area. This will be an informational meeting where the Board, staff, and Landscape architect will discuss the following:

1. Staff and consultant introductions including roles and responsibilities
2. Discuss overall project goals
3. Discuss any initial design ideas and/or requirements
4. Discuss any initial budget parameters
5. Discuss overall schedule including dates/times/locations for the two community meetings
6. Discuss deliverables for the community meetings – such as color rendered site concepts, supporting images, and cost estimates
7. Any additional questions or comments

6. BOARD COMMENTS

Discussion led to the concept that the district will hold a community outreach meeting independent of Helix, and also conduct a survey of the district and users of the parks to solicit input. The hope is that the community outreach meeting will be held in late January. Major concerns include the scope of work that will be needed to keep a pond. It will need to be lined, filtered and aerated. The depth will need to be increased to 4.5-6 feet and therefore may need to be fenced. One suggestion is that the pond be made smaller in order to keep a pond, but on a smaller scale. Other options may include a seasonal water catchment and removing the pond altogether. Adding native plants and trees and keeping song birds and pollinators in mind should be considered as well as keeping the area drought tolerant.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Board Meeting Thursday, November 16, 2023

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