



# North of the River

recreation and park district

**NORTH OF THE RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING  
3825 RIVERLAKES DRIVE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023, 5:30 P.M.**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER: BOARD MEETING CONVENED BY CHAIRPERSON STEVE RUETTGERS AT 5:31 P.M.**
  
- 2. ROLL CALL:**
  - BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**
  - BROOKS DOUGLASS; CRYSTAL MADDEN; JAMES NABORS;  
STEVE RUETTGERS; JENIFER VANALSTEIN (ARRIVED AT 5:32P.M.)
  - BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**
  - NONE
  - STAFF PRESENT**
  - MIKE EVANS; RACHEAL GARCIA; ESTHER GRIJALVA;  
JASMIN LOBASSO; WAYNE MCARTHUR; STEPH THISIUS-SANDERS
  - LEGAL COUNSEL**
  - NONE
  - PUBLIC PRESENT**
  - BRIAN MONCRIEF (LEFT AT 5:39P.M.)  
STEPHANIE ONTIVEROS (LEFT AT 5:39P.M.)
  
- 3. FLAG SALUTE:** Chairperson Steve Ruetters led the flag salute.
  
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The North of the River Recreation and Park District Board of Directors may take official action only on items included in the posted agenda. Items addressed during the Public Comment section are generally matters not included on the agenda and, therefore, the Board will not take action at this scheduled meeting. Such items, however, may be added to a future meeting's agenda. Members of the public may address the Board on items included on the agenda in the order that the items appear. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state your name before making your presentation. Thank you!

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Secretary Declaration of Posting of Agenda 72 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Declaration by the Clerk of the Board of Directors that the agenda was posted at least 72 hours in advance of meeting. BOARD APPROVED SECRETARY DECLARATION.

**Douglass; Madden: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

B. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting Held January 23, 2023

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

**Douglass; Madden: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

C. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Special Meeting Held February 6, 2023

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2023 Special Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

**Douglass; Madden: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

D. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Special Meeting Held February 13, 2023

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2023 Special Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

**Douglass; Madden: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

E. Receive and File Bills and Invoice

A monthly voucher list of bills submitted for payment during the previous month was provided to Board Members for review, comment, and filing. BOARD RECEIVED AND FILED BILLS AND INVOICES.

**Douglass; Madden: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

F. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Funds Under Title III-C Congregate and Home Delivered Nutrition Services of the Older Americans Act (Nutrition), Resolution #05-23

Staff requested adoption of Resolution #05-23, approving Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 425-2022 for Title III C Congregate and Home Delivered Nutrition Services between North of the River Recreation and Park District and the County of Kern. The amendment will provide an increase of \$223,251 in total funding for the full term of the agreement ending June 30, 2023. Item pulled for discussion.

AFTER DISCUSSION, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #05-23 APPROVING THE AMENDMENT.

**Douglass; Madden: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein.  
Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

## 6. BOARD BUSINESS

### A. Approval of Surplus Land Act Declaration for 1300 N. Chester Avenue and 214 and 222 Minner Avenue, Resolution #06-23

Planning and Construction Director Steph Thisius-Sanders requested adoption of Resolution #06-23, approving the Surplus Land Act Declaration for 1300 N. Chester Avenue and 214 and 222 Minner Avenue and authorizes staff to proceed with the notice of availability. Staff responded to Board inquiries. AFTER DISCUSSION, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #06-23, APPROVING THE SURPLUS LAND ACT DECLARATION FOR 1300 N. CHESTER AVENUE AND 214 AND 222 MINNER AVENUE.

**Madden; Nabors: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Nabors; Ruetters; VanAlstein.  
Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

## 7. STAFF REPORTS

### A. General Manager

Reports Received and Filed.

### B. Capital Improvement Projects

Reports Received and Filed.

### C. Financial

Reports Received and Filed.

### D. Personnel

Reports Received and Filed.

### E. Parks Division

Reports Received and Filed.

### F. Recreation and Community Services

Reports Received and Filed.

### G. Training

Reports Received and Filed.

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

Staff reviewed correspondence from North Kern Water Storage District regarding a notice of public hearing and an assessment ballot proceeding on the adoption of an increase in Rosedale Ranch Improvement District's Base Service Charge. Board requested the item be placed on the March agenda for discussion. The Board also reviewed correspondence from California Special Districts Association (CSDA) regarding CSDA Board of Directors Call for Nominations Seat C.

## 9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Opportunity for the Board to comment on items not listed on the agenda

**BROOKS DOUGLASS** thanked the park staff for painting over graffiti at Almondale Park.

CRYSTAL MADDEN – No Comment

JAMES NABORS – No Comment

STEVE RUETTIGERS – No Comment

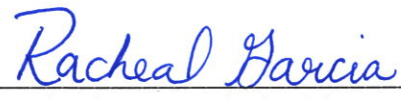
JENIFER VANALSTEIN – No Comment

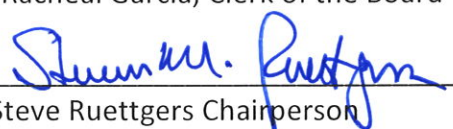
**H. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on March 20, 2023.

Minutes to be approved at Board  
Meeting held on March 20, 2023

  
Wayne McArthur, Interim General Manager

  
Racheal Garcia, Clerk of the Board

  
Steve Ruettgers Chairperson