



FRESNO COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY MEETING

9:00 am, Wednesday, September 28, 2011

Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association

1111 H Street, Fresno, CA 93721

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ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Chairman Paul Clark

CHAIRMAN PAUL CLARK CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:10 AM. MEMBERS JOHN GRAY, GERALD LYLES AND PAUL TOSTE WERE PRESENT. MEMBERS RALPH WATERHOUSE, KENT STRATFORD AND ASHLEY SWEARENGIN WERE ABSENT.

2. Public Comments

This time is made available to receive comments from the public on matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are not on the Agenda. Attention is called to the fact that the Board is prohibited from taking any action on matters that are not on the Agenda. Time will be made available for comments from the public for each item on the Agenda. In order to accurately record the minutes, members of the public are asked to speak only from the podium. Before beginning comments, please state for the record your name and affiliation, if any.

HELD, NO COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

3. Consent Agenda

These matters are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to action by the Board, the public will be given the opportunity to remove any item from the Consent Calendar. Items removed from the Consent Calendar may be heard immediately following approval of Consent Calendar.

- A. Review and approve minutes of July 27, 2011
- B. Review and approve payment of County of Fresno invoice for Professional and Specialized Services in the amount of \$29,746.26 for July and August 2011
- C. Approve Treasurer's Reports for July and August 2011

ITEM 3C, ALTERNATE FORMAT TREASURER'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2011, WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. CONSENSUS OF THE MEMBERS WAS TO KEEP THE

CURRENT FORMAT OF THE REPORT UNCHANGED. ITEMS 3A, 3B AND 3C APPROVED –PT/GL; AS, KS &RW ABSENT – VOTE 4 AYES, 0 OPPOSED.

4. Fresno Chaffee Zoo reports
 - A. Receive financial reports for the months of July and August 2011
 - B. Receive Director's reports
 - Public funding of AZA institutions
 - Pro Forma for Sea Lion Cove exhibit
 - 5-year Capital Projects plan with revenue projections and costs
 - Sea Lion Cove construction update
 - Africa planning update

FRESNO CHAFFEE ZOO DIRECTOR OF FINANCE BRIAN GOLDMAN PRESENTED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS, AND THE EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE FIGURES ANTICIPATED FOR THE YEAR.

FRESNO CHAFFEE ZOO DIRECTOR SCOTT BARTON REPORTED THE SUCCESS OF LAST FRIDAY'S SAFARI NIGHT; GOVERNMENT SUPPORT OF AZA INSTITUTIONS; AND THE PROGRESS OF SEA LION COVE'S CONSTRUCTION, AND ITS EXPECTED REVENUE AND OPERATING EXPENSES. HE ALSO REPORTED ON FUTURE EXPANSION PROJECTS, PROJECTED REVENUES AND EXPENSES THROUGH 2015, AND THE ZOO'S MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS DUE TO MEASURE Z FUNDS.

MR. BARTON OUTLINED PLANS FOR STORM WATER, ELECTRICAL AND FIBER-OPTIC UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS, AND THEIR PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATES. THE BOARD RAISED THE ISSUE OF THE PROJECT'S SHARED COSTS WITH THE CITY OF FRESNO, AND THE DIRECTOR STATED HE WILL PROVIDE GREATER DETAIL AND A MORE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET WITH HIS FUNDING REQUEST AT THE NEXT MEETING.

5. Discuss Fresno's Chaffee Zoo Corporation capital projects bid policy

MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE ZOO CORPORATION POLICY AND DIRECTED COUNSEL TO RETURN WITH A ZOO AUTHORITY POLICY THAT WOULD REQUIRE THE ZOO CORPORATION TO FOLLOW A BID POLICY FOR PROJECTS FUNDED BY MEASURE Z, AND TO CONSULT WITH THE BOARD IN ADVANCE OF IMPLEMENTING ANY PROPOSED CHANGES TO THEIR POLICY.

6. Discuss and approve revisions to Fresno County Zoo Authority *Procedures for Review and Approval of Measure Z funds.*

APPROVED – JG/GL 3 AYES, 1 OPPOSED

COORDINATOR CATHY CROSBY LED THE DISCUSSION OF REVISIONS THAT FOCUSED MAINLY ON THE DESCRIPTION OF THE CLAIMS PROCESS. MEMBER TOSTE ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION ON COUNTY STAFF SUPPORT TO THE BOARD.

7. Receive draft annual report and provide direction to staff.

RECEIVED; A FINAL DRAFT, INCLUDING THE ANNUAL AUDIT, WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE NEXT MEETING

8. Receive staff reports

COORDINATOR CATHY CROSBY REPORTED THAT RECENT POSTINGS TO THE ZOO AUTHORITY WEB SITE INCLUDE ENTIRE BOARD AGENDAS FOR THE JULY AND SEPTEMBER MEETINGS, AND AUDIO OF THE JULY MEETING.

9. Set future meeting date(s)

Reserved dates include:

Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Wednesday, November 30, 2011
Wednesday, December 28, 2011

APPROVED HOLDING THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2011. PC/JG, VOTE 4 AYES, 0 OPPOSED

10. Closed Session – Conference with legal counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9(a)) – Friends of Roeding Park, et al. v. City of Fresno, et al. (U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:11-cv-02083 MCE CKD)

CLOSED SESSION WAS CALLED AT 10:16 BY THE CHAIRMAN. THE MEETING RESUMED AT 10:55 AM, AT WHICH TIME COUNSEL REDMOND STATED THERE WAS NOTHING TO REPORT OUT.

11. Chair's comments

HELD, NO COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

12. Board Member comments

HELD, MEMBER GRAY STATED HE WAS HAPPY WITH THE ZOO'S PROGRESS.

13. Adjournment

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD, CHAIRMAN PAUL CLARK ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:56 AM.

All supporting documentation is available for public review in the office of the Fresno County Zoo Authority, 2220 Tulare Street, 6th Floor, Fresno, 93721, during regular business hours.

For further information, please contact Catherine Crosby, Zoo Authority Coordinator, at 600-4305, email zooauthority@co.fresno.ca.us, or visit www.zooauthority.org.

Requests for disability-related modification or accommodation needed in order to participate in the meeting must be made to the Zoo Authority Coordinator no later than 9:00 a.m. on the day prior to the meeting.