

**SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING NO. 858  
MINUTES**

**Call to order**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of South Suburban Park and Recreation District was called to order at 5:38 pm on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at the Goodson Recreation Center, 6315 South University Boulevard, Centennial, Colorado. Chair John Ostermiller presided.

(Note to the file: The November 25 and December 23 regular sessions have been cancelled by the Board of Directors, and the changes were announced by special posting in October 2015. /ds)

**Present:** John K. Ostermiller  
Susan M. Rosser  
Pamela M. Eller  
Michael T. Anderson  
Scott A. LaBrash

**Management Staff:** Rob Hanna, Executive Director  
Dave Brueggeman, Acting Director of Parks & Open Space  
Brett Collins, Director of Planning & Development  
Teresa Cope, Director of Communications  
JoAnn Gould, Director of Recreation & Community Services  
Mike MacLennan, Director of IT  
Bill Ramsey, Director of Golf  
Clay Shuck, Deputy Recreation Manager  
Steve Shipley, Director of Finance

**Study Session**

After the call to order, Mr. Ostermiller convened the Study Session, and the group discussed the items on the posted agenda. In addition, to Boardmembers' questions, Mr. Hanna and staff provided several updates regarding: the results of local parks & recreation ballot questions for the November election; staff planning already underway for the May 3, 2016 Board of Directors election; and the Littleton signage project. The Littleton parks & recreation master planning project has been underway; staff has reviewed a draft of the consultant's report; and Mr. Hanna is requesting a joint results presentation to the Littleton City Council and District Board in mid-January. Mr. Hanna is making an outreach to the Centennial City Manager, to plan some joint projects with the City in 2016. Mr. Hanna also reported on plans for a new regular internal communication, in the form of a comprehensive monthly report, to be shared with Board and staff.

The Board paused at 6:48 pm and returned to the public meeting at 7 pm.

**Introductions**

Mr. Ostermiller greeted Lone Tree Mayor Pro Tem Jackie Millet, in the audience tonight.

**Legal Counsel's report**

In Jim Collins' absence, Mr. Ostermiller referred Boardmembers to Collins' confidential written report included in the Directors' packet. Boardmembers had no questions at this time.

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### Minutes approval

Mrs. Rosser reported several edits.

- Under Citizen Comments, she corrected the spelling of Gerry McNally's name. She stated that the point of Mr. McNally's testimony was, there is only one restroom facility for the use of Family Sports driving range users. She noted a reference to a park, and wondered if Mr. McNally was referring to an un-named park in Arapahoe County; Mrs. Eller thought that Mr. McNally was referring specifically to Arapaho Park, near Adams and Mineral.
- Under the Board of Directors items and regarding her report, she corrected the first sentence in the second paragraph to read, "Mrs. Rosser walked the proposed Highlands 460 trail improvements."

Board members had no further corrections, additions, or changes. Therefore, with no objections, the minutes of meeting no. 857, November 11, 2015 stood approved as corrected.

### Citizens' comments

No public came forward to speak tonight.

### Consent Agenda items

Mr. Ostermiller explained that Consent Agenda items are provided for study in the Board's study packets and introduced in Study Session for the Board's review. They can be adopted by a single motion. All resolutions and proposed actions must be read by title prior to a vote on the motion. Any consent agenda item may be removed at the request of a Director and either tabled or heard separately.

**A. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR NOVEMBER 2015 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,842,413; AND**

**B. AUTHORIZE THE CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY, THE PORTION OF EAST EASTER AVENUE LOCATED IN CHERRY KNOLLS PARK, TO THE CITY OF CENTENNIAL BY MEANS OF THE KNOLLS SUBDIVISION 6TH FILING FINAL PLAT; AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE FINAL PLAT.**

**MR. ANDERSON MOVED TO ACCEPT ITEMS A–B. Mr. LaBrash seconded the motion.** There was no further discussion, and **Consent agenda items were approved unanimously (5–0).**

### NEW BUSINESS

There were no public hearings this evening.

### Mill levies certification

Mr. Shipley presented. He reported that Douglas County revised total mill levy numbers slightly since the Board packet was published—a decrease of \$453,934, but that has no impact on the mill levy number as reported in the packet. The total assessed valuation is \$2,699,582,672. The mill levy will be 8.651 mills (a decrease of 1.57 from 2015) and will generate \$23,922,200 to the District. He offered to answer any questions; Boardmembers had none at this time.

**MRS. ELLER MOVED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES AND CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES.** Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion was approved unanimously (5–0). (Copies of the three resolutions for Arapahoe, Douglas, and Jefferson County are attached hereto and made part of the permanent record.)

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### **2016 District Youth Commission appointments**

Ms. Gould presented. She reviewed the goals of the commission. She applauded the inaugural 2015 Youth Commission, which elected officers, established a year-long work plan, and completed their goals. The retiring members of the Commission are *Ali Abbas, Austin Wook-Lee, Megan Bolt, and Sierra Kimes*.

She presented eight candidates for approval tonight, for the 2016 Commission; and staffmembers Brad Stafford and Christina Ibarra, who stepped forward to lead the Commission in 2015 and did a fantastic job. Ms. Gould praised the 2016 candidates, stating, she has been inspired by their desire to serve.

**MRS. ROSSER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE APPOINTMENT OF AMELIA RHEA, AUDREY KOENIG, BAILEY THOMPSON, AND SAM HANSON TO A SECOND TERM; AND TO APPOINT DONG HOON “DANIEL” LEE, DEVON JOHNSON, ELISE MUTZ, AND JAMIE EGAN TO SERVE A FIRST TERM, ALL ON THE 2016 SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT YOUTH COMMISSION. Mr. LaBrash seconded the motion.**

Boardmembers thanked the students for volunteering to serve and the parents present for their involvement. They hope that the youth will share their fresh perspectives, provide feedback about District programming and services, and educate the District in what it can do, and do better, to serve teenage users and residents. **The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).**

### **Board of Directors items**

Mr. Anderson reported the most recent “Tantalizing Tastes” evening at the Lone Tree Clubhouse last night entertained 50 people. He passed on a Well done! to Hospitality staff.

Mrs. Eller reported on the most recent CANDO meeting.

- Most of the discussion was about the City’s comprehensive plan project, under development during the last several months. Tri-County Health is very interested in helping the City implement their health initiative. Devin Granbery, City Manager plans to have CANDO become more involved in implementing the plan, and for CANDO members to become a go-between for the community and Sheridan City Council.
- Mrs. Eller also reported that the Riverpoint commercial development (Hampden and Santa Fe) is bringing in some new retail offerings.

Mrs. Rosser reported on the Centennial City Council, District 1 and 2 meetings, held at the SouthGlenn Library.

- There was a discussion about the Smedley family property and discussions are moving forward for the conservation easement. The Smedley property is behind Goodson Recreation Center and is adjacent the High Line Canal and provides beautiful views of the mountains. Mr. Hanna added, the final details for the easement have been developed during the last month. The Arapahoe County Open Space and Trails Board endorsed the project this week. Next, they will be meeting with the Arapahoe County Commissioners and Centennial City Council, to request approval of the three-way partnership.
- There was also considerable discussion about retail going onto the Marathon property development (South Broadway).

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Mrs. Rosser also reported on the South Platte Working Group meeting, Wednesday afternoon, with the US Army Corps of Engineers and Urban Drainage. They are finalizing and moving forward with several projects along the Platte.

Mrs. Eller asked about the construction on and by the Broken Tee Golf Course parking lot. Mr. Hanna reported this is an Englewood and Sheridan joint project, a first phase of a larger project to create recreation access to the Platte River. The first phase will include construction of a large pavilion on the edge of the parking lot. To Mr. LaBrash's question, Brett Collins reported that the project will enhance the recreation between the golf course and convergence of the Big Dry Creek and Mary Carter Greenway trails.

### **Announcements and emergency items**

Mr. Ostermiller announced

- The cancellation of the December 23 regular sessions again; and
- A quorum event, the South Metro Chamber 2016 Economic Forecast Breakfast, to be held on Friday, January 15, 2016, 7:30–9 am, at the Denver Marriott South at Park Meadows, 10345 Park Meadows Drive. At this time, all five Boardmembers plan to attend the forum, and Mr. Ostermiller asked Shephard to complete a special posting.

On behalf of the Boardmembers, Mr. Ostermiller wished the group, Happy Holidays!, and a joyous New Year.

There was no Executive Session this evening.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the group adjourned for the evening at 7:28 pm.

Donna Shephard  
Executive Assistant

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SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES  
ARAPAHOE COUNTY

A RESOLUTION LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2015, TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT, COLORADO, FOR THE 2016 BUDGET YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the South Suburban Park and Recreation District has adopted the annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Law, on November 11, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the budget has been prepared to comply with all terms, limitations and exemptions, including, but not limited to, reserve transfers and expenditure exemptions, under Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution and other laws or obligations which are applicable to or binding upon the District; and

WHEREAS, for District Code 4650, the mills necessary to balance the budget for general operating expenses are 6.417 mills, plus 0.068 refund and abatement mills; and

WHEREAS, for District Code 4650, the mills necessary to balance the budget for the Parks, Open Space, and Trails Tax expenses, as approved by voters, are 1.000 mills;

WHEREAS, for District Codes 4650, 4648 (CHV), and 4647 (GWV), the mills necessary to balance the budget for debt retirement expenses are 1.166 mills; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT, COLORADO:

Section 1. That for the purpose of meeting all general operating expenses of the South Suburban Park and Recreation District during the 2016 budget year for District Code 4650, there is hereby levied a tax of 6.417 mills, plus 0.068 refund or abatement mills, upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2015.

Section 2. That for the purpose of meeting all Parks, Open Space, and Trail Tax expenses of the South Suburban Park and Recreation District during the 2016 budget year for District Code 4650, as approved by voters, there is hereby levied a tax of 1.000 mills, upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2015.

Section 3. That for the purpose of meeting all debt retirement expenses of the South Suburban Park and Recreation District during the 2016 budget year for District Codes 4650, 4648 (CHV), and 4647 (GWV), there is hereby levied a tax of 1.166 mills, upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2015.

Section 4. That the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify to the County Commissioners of Arapahoe County, Colorado, the mill levies for the South Suburban Park and Recreation District as hereinabove determined and set.

ADOPTED this 9th of December, 2015.

**SIGNED**

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JOHN K. OSTERMILLER, CHAIR OF THE BOARD

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Attest: PAMELA M. ELLER, SECRETARY

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RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES  
DOUGLAS COUNTY

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SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
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JEFFERSON COUNTY

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Section 4. That the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify to the County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Colorado, the mill levies for the South Suburban Park and Recreation District as hereinabove determined and set.

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