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**Hollenbeck Park Recreation Center
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

HOLLENBECK PARK ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 6:00pm – 7:30pm

**Meeting Location:
Hollenbeck Recreation Center Classroom**

Carlos Montes, President
Stephanie Vendig, Secretary
Susana Betancourt, Board Member
Don Baisa, Board Member
Vivian Escalante, Board Member
Vilma Castro, Board Member

Armando Martinez, Staff (Ex officio)

1. CALL TO ORDER

- i. Bienvenidos/Welcome to the Community
- ii. Roll Call for Board Members
- iii. Excused Absence

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: (10 minutes)

- i. Discussion/Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 17, 2024, (Minutes to be approved.)
- ii. Board discussion: (3 minutes per board member)
- iii. Board Vote: Yes: ____ No: ____

3. **SPECIAL GUESTS:** Updates from City, County, State, or Federal Agencies.
(Each speaker gets 5 minutes followed with Questions & Answers)
- i. Claudia Mancía, Proyecto Pastoral, Boyle Heights, Notes & Updates.
 - ii. Jose Romero, Constituent Services Deputy of Boyle Heights, Councilmember Ysabel Jurado, CD #14, Boyle Heights Team, Notes & Update
 - iii. CALTrans Representative, Serapio Jaramillo, Boyle Heights, Notes & Update
 - iv. Alfredo Rodriguez, Mayor's Office Community Engagement Program, Notes & Update
 - v. Officers Joshua Smith & David Ebner, Park Rangers Division, Recreation and Parks
 - vi. Special Guests: Community Representatives, State & City. Notes & Update
 - vii. Officer Johnny Altamirano, Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Hollenbeck Division, Notes & Update.

4. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** (Each speaker gets 2 minutes).

Members of the Public Who Wish to Comment on Other Matters Not Listed on the Agenda and under the Jurisdiction of the Board.

5. **MATTERS UNDER BOARD CONSIDERATION:**

- i. **First Item:** Update on the Hollenbeck Park Clean-Up, Earth Day, Spring April 26 2025. Just discussion. Susana Betancourt. Nothing to vote on. Approved.
- ii. Public Comment: (2 minutes per speaker)
- iii. Board Comment: (2 minutes per speaker)

- iv. **Second Item:** Update on the partnership with Roosevelt HS and CD 14.
 - a. promote credit/ volunteer hours for Projects at Hollenbeck Park, Need Curriculum b. Future Butterfly Gardens, c. Partnerships in Community Clean-ups with Roosevelt HS & CD 14. Discussion on Future meetings with Biology teachers. Any Update? Discussion, Nothing to Vote on. Carlos Montes. Approved
- v. Public Comment: (2 minutes per speaker)
- vi. Board Comment: (2 minutes per speaker)

- vii. **Third Item:** Review the Historic Hollenbeck Band shell, Renovation Project, 2025. In order to use the Band shell, we need to work with various funding sources and develop strategies in programming the Band shell for 2025. We need an estimated \$50 thousand dollars to make the band shell functional for Summer programs & classes. Discussion. Armando Martinez
- viii. Public Comment (2 minutes per speaker)
- ix. Board Comment (2 minutes per speaker)
- x. Vote:

xi. Fourth Item: Review of the Restoration, Beautification and Protection of Hollenbeck Park: This is a infrastructural concern on the bridge, the drinking fountains, the collapsing retainer walls on the South east side of the park, right below the Maintenance Service Yard. A strategy of action needs to be developed to address the priorities for 2025. Update: Response by Maintenance Division. Nothing to Vote on. Armando Martinez

xii Public Comment:
xiii, Board Comment:

xv. Fifth Item: Review Letter to Karen Bass, Mayor which outlines the needs of Hollenbeck Park on the issues of night security. This letter was approved by the board at the last meeting on October 15, 2024. Discussion only, Nothing to Vote on. Update, Carlos Montes.

xvi. Public Comment:
xvii. Board Comment:

xviii. Sixth Item: Review of members who have not been attending our regular Park Advisory Board meetings? Any motion to remove any member who has missed 3 consecutive meetings in a row?

lxx. Public Comment:
xx. Board comment:
xxi. Vote

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS : Standing Committees and Director's Report

- i.** Presidents Report: Carlos Montes: Update & Concerns at Hollenbeck Park
- ii.** Director's Report: Armando Martinez, (5 minutes) (Park Update)
 - a. Structural Issues: Bridge, drinking fountains, & crumbling retainer walls
 - b. New funding for Hollenbeck Park Lake: 25.1 Million plus, CalTrans 17 million approved for a five year project.
 - c. Completion of the Beautification Project by the Governor's office, \$ 4.9 Million Grant, the Lamp Posts, Over 120 Trees planted, New Planter and Welcome Sign. Completed, December 15, 2024.

7. BOARD BUSINESS:

Requests by Board Members to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items:

- i. Request for an update on Maintenance, Planning and Construction at Hollenbeck Park
- ii. Future Clean-ups at the Park & Lake: Small Community project.
- iii. Future Events: Winter Classes, Start January , 2025. We have over 40 Classes for children and one class for adults.

8. NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the HOLLENBECK PARK ADVISORY BOARD is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, April 08, 2025 at 6:00pm**. The meeting will be in person in the Hollenbeck Auditorium. The Hollenbeck PAB will be once every other month on the second Tuesday of the month.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. Agenda is posted for public review at <https://www.laparks.org/info/volunteer/pab-agendas/2020>.

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