



**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

REGULAR MEETING

RUSH PARK
3021 Blume Drive
Rossmoor, California

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

A. ORGANIZATION

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

**2. ROLL CALL: Directors Casey, Coletta, Kahlert, Maynard,
President Rips**

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PRESENTATIONS

a. Probolsky Research, LLC-Re: Rossmoor Community Survey

Justin Wallin of Probolsky Research discussed the results contained in the Rossmoor Community Survey Strategic Memorandum document. He stated that of the 300 respondents polled on the following question: *If Rossmoor is not annexed by a neighboring city, the County of Orange might change city boundaries to move Rossmoor's only sales tax producing properties on the southwest corner of Katella Avenue and Los Alamitos Blvd. into the City of Los Alamitos. Do you approve or disapprove of the County changing city boundaries so that Rossmoor's only sales tax producing properties become part of the City of Los Alamitos? And would you say that you strongly (approve/disapprove) likely or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?* their research showed that 82.0% of respondents disapproved and of that percentage, 88.2% of respondents strongly disapproved. Discussion ensued.

b. O.C. Sheriff Dept.-Captain Tom Gallivan Re: Sheriff's Coverage Update Post Sunset Beach Annexation

Captain Gallivan discussed coverage levels post Sunset Beach annexation. He reported that the Huntington Beach Police Department took over law enforcement for Sunset Beach. The Orange County Sheriff's Sunset Beach car was now assigned to the unincorporated West County Areas (i.e. Fountain Valley, Mile Square Park, Stanton, Midway City, and West Anaheim). He said the relief car comes straight into Rossmoor

now and he was confident that Rossmoor had the proper coverage. Resources were pretty much the same with the evening cars overlapping.

Director Coletta requested the acreage/area, community size of the various West County Areas, the Crime Statistics for those areas and the traveling distance to Rossmoor. Captain Gallivan promised to provide said information at the next regular board meeting.

5. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

President Jeffrey Rips announced that he had to step down from the office of President due to family obligations. He stated that it had been an honor to serve as President of the Board and a privilege to serve the Rossmoor community.

Nominations were opened and 1st Vice President Alfred Coletta was nominated for the office of President. Director Coletta was unanimously approved by the Board. Nominations for 1st Vice President were then opened. Director Jeffrey Rips was nominated for that office. The vote was also unanimous for that appointment. The following individuals will serve as Board officers until annual Board elections are held at the January 2012 meeting of the Board.

President:	Alfred Coletta
1 st Vice President:	Jeffrey Rips
2 nd Vice President:	Ron Casey

B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA – None

C. PUBLIC FORUM

Eric Christensen opined about the recent attempts by the city of Los Alamitos to annex the Rossmoor Shopping Village. He stated that Los Alamitos was moving very quickly towards this end and if Orange County lost the sales tax revenue generated by the Rossmoor Shopping Village to Los Alamitos, Rossmoor will experience a loss and/or reduction in services. He encouraged residents to patronize and support the Rossmoor Shopping Village. Mr. Christensen also announced the formation of a standalone, volunteer committee known as the Rossmoor Preservation Committee (RPC), not affiliated with the RHA or RCSD. Finally he stated that residents interested in keeping the local businesses in Rossmoor, should join the RPC by emailing them at rpc@rha-rossmoor.org.

Dan Sween opined relative to the issue of gardening lawn/leaf blowers emitting excess dust and noise in the neighborhood. He stated that during the daytime hours, Wednesday through Friday, the leaf blowing use was especially out of control, preventing him from opening his windows. He suggested the Board consider placing the item on a future agenda and in the newsletter, and consider banning the devices altogether.

Richard Butterfield requested an update on the financial information request from the County. The General Manager responded that the District still had not received the requested financial data. He spoke relative to whether or not the Rossmoor Community Services District had attempted some community outreach with the local Rossmoor business owners. The General Manager replied that the District had no jurisdiction to directly engage the public in such an activity; he suggested Mr. Butterfield contact the founder of the Rossmoor Preservation Committee (RPC), Eric Christensen and join the RPC in those efforts.

D. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

1. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT ON GOVERNANCE

Recommendation to receive the report and provide direction to General Manager on future governance initiatives to include filing of an Application to LAFCO for Latent Powers for the provision of animal care services.

The General Manager reported that at the Board's September 1, 2011 Special Meeting the General Manager was directed to move ahead with the relocation of the Sheriff's office in Rush Park to Rossmoor Park. A major reason stated for the relocation was the increase in activity in and around Rossmoor Park, but also to more strategically locate Sheriff Deputies to patrol the business community at the northeast corner of Rossmoor. That relocation process is underway.

Also at that meeting, the Board established its priorities for the use of resources and directed the General Manager to focus on the proposed annexation of the northeast corner of Rossmoor (Shopping Village), on the Application to LAFCO for the provision of animal care services and to search for consulting services for forensic accounting as a means of obtaining accurate financial data from the County. Another development is the recent ruling on the Sunset Beach annexation case. The judge ruled that the Writ of Mandate that would have provided the residents of Sunset Beach an opportunity to vote on taxation was denied but will likely be appealed.

As to the Board's second priority: progress on latent powers, the District now has fiscal data for Animal Care for the last four years. A first step in this regard is to obtain a formal agreement with Long Beach Animal Care for those services. Attached is their current agreement with Los Alamitos which is based on an estimate of service needs and the corresponding revenues for fees for services. At the request of the Board the General Manager agreed to provide the Board with updated status and fee schedule comparisons at the November Board Meeting.

The General Manager concluded that identifying consulting services for forensic accounting was underway and would be submitted for the Board's approval as soon as the search was completed. The report was received and filed.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

DIRECTOR MAYNARD REQUESTED ITEM E1-A BE PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR AT THIS TIME

Director Maynard observed a minor typographical error in the roll call. Director Casey's name appeared twice and his name did not appear, although he was present.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR WERE ACTED UPON AT THIS TIME

1a. MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2011

The General Manager agreed to correct the minor typographical error in the roll call.

1b. MINUTES-SPECIAL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

2. JULY 2011 REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

3. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT RECREATION LEADERS (PART TIME)

The Consent Calendar was unanimously approved 5-0 with the typographical roll call correction requested by Director Maynard,

F. PUBLIC HEARING-None

G. RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION NO. 11-09-13-01 OPPOSITION OF THE BOARD TO ANNEXATION OF THE ROSSMOOR SHOPPING VILLAGE BY THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

The ad hoc committee met and expressed its vehement opposition to the proposed annexation. Recommendation that the Board formally state its opposition, as well. The attached Resolution is an expression of that opposition. Recommendation to approve Resolution No. 11-09-13-01 by reading the title only and waiving further reading as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT OPPOSING THE ANNEXATION OF THE ROSSMOOR SHOPPING VILLAGE BY THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

Motion by Director Kahlert, seconded by Director Rips to adopt Resolution No. 11-09-13-01 by reading the title only and waiving further reading and with correction of a minor spacing error. The Board also requested staff to post the Resolution on the

website, send out a press release to the media and mail a copy to City and State elected officials. Motion passed 5-0.

H. REGULAR CALENDAR

1. PROPOSED REVISIONS TO DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE

Recommendation to receive the report of staff and adopt the revised fee schedule prepared by the General Manager. Discussion ensued relative to picnic site reservation impact. Director Casey had questions relative to percentages contained within the Accountant's report. The General Manager stated that the 3% was for inflation and the 8.6% was the recovery rate. President Coletta acknowledged the hard work that went into the report and suggested that in the future, for ease of reference, that the pages in the reports not only be numbered, but also include alphabetical attachment labels. The General Manager agreed and stated that the suggestion would be implemented.

Motion by Director Casey, seconded by Director Rips to receive the report of staff and authorize the General Manager to adopt the revised fee schedule prepared by the General Manager. Motion passed 5-0.

I. GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS-None

J. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

President Rips thanked the community and the Board for giving him the opportunity to serve as President. He reminded everyone that school was back in session and urged the community to drive safely and be aware of children using crosswalks and riding bicycles. He also urged children to ride their bicycles safely. Finally, he encouraged residents to contact Eric Christensen and join the Rossmoor Preservation Committee (RPC) and get involved if they cared about preserving Rossmoor.

President Coletta thanked Director Rips for his service as President; stated that he was happy that he had been appointed as 1st Vice President and looked forward to working with him in that capacity. President Coletta announced that the Rossmoor Preservation Committee meeting would be held on September 15, 2011 in the Rossmoor Community Center. He encouraged the community to patronize the local Rossmoor business establishments, speak to the business owners and let them know you appreciate them being in Rossmoor and you spend money at their establishment. Finally, he requested that the two replacement trees scheduled for planting on Wallingsford Road and Ruth Elaine be Signature Rossmoor species of substantial size and presence in order to accentuate the area and maintain the community's ambiance.

Director Kahlert thanked Director Rips for his service. He stated that he appreciated his leadership and looks forward to working with him as 1st Vice President.

Director Maynard thanked Director Rips. He stated that he did a class job as President of the Board and was a great leader. He congratulated President Coletta. Director Maynard stated that Rossmoor is a special place and encouraged citizens to remain vocal on the annexation issue, hand out flyers, tell friends and support local businesses.

Director Casey stated that he was pleased with the vocal resident opposition to the Rossmoor Shopping Village Annexation and implored citizens to stay vigilant and involved. He echoed the sentiments of his fellow Board members regarding patronizing the local businesses. He thanked the General Manager for volunteering to attend the monthly CSDA Working Group Conference Call Meetings and offered to assist the General Manager with his busy workload. Finally, he thanked Director Rips for his service and stated that he looked forward to working with him as 1st Vice President.

K. CLOSED SESSION-None

L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Director Casey, seconded by Director Coletta to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

SUBMITTED BY:

Henry Taboada
Consulting General Manager