



County of Sonoma

State of California

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4/5 Vote Required

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, Updating the Sonoma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1990, the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors established the Sonoma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (“Ceommission”) via Resolution No. 90-0534; and

~~WHEREAS, on June 14, 2016, the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors added youth members to the Commission via Resolution No. 16-0263; and commission has operated since 1990 with five (5) commissioners serving as the commission Board and with one Board member appointed by each County Supervisor for a term of 4 years; and~~

~~WHEREAS, both the commission Board the number of parklands in the County, as well as the number of visitors in Sonoma Regional Parks have grown exponentially significantly in the past five years; and believes that it would be in the interest of the public if youth members were added as voting commissioners, since the youth population is particularly benefited by County Parks; and~~

~~WHEREAS, achieving a more diverse and proportional representation of Sonoma County’s communities in the membership of the Sonoma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission is consistent with the Sonoma County Strategic Plan, including its Racial Equity and Social Justice Pillar; and Sonoma County Regional Parks’ Strategic Priorities; and the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors agrees that the addition of youth member commissioners to the commission Board would be in the interest of the public, subject to different selection criteria, terms and other criteria.~~

~~WHEREAS, the Commission Board believes it would be in the best interest of the public to increase the number of Commissioners to nine (9), with one Commissioner appointed by each of the five County Supervisors; two (2) Commissioners nominated by the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors; and two (2) Youth Commissioners members appointed by the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks.~~

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, hereby replaces Resolution No. ~~90-0534~~16-0263 with this Resolution, augmenting the Commission with two Commissioners nominated by the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. ~~updating the number and type of commissioners of the commission and establishing additional criteria for selection, terms and other criteria for youth member commissioners.~~

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors shall appoint the ~~C~~commissioners, with the exception of the youth member ~~C~~commissioners. ~~All, and the~~ commissioners shall serve in accordance with the Policy for Advisory Bodies Roles and Relationships (hereinafter "Policy and Guidelines"), adopted by this Board on July 27, 2004, and with the following:

(a) The commission Board shall consist of ~~nine seven (97)~~ ~~C~~commissioners, five (5) of which shall be individually nominated by each Supervisor; ~~two (2) of which shall be nominated to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks;~~ and two of which shall be youth members ~~appointed by the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks.~~ ~~appointed by the five (5) individually appointed commissioners.~~

~~(b) Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall individually nominate one commissioner and each nomination shall be subject to the approval of the Board by majority vote.~~

~~(c)(b) The term of each Board-approved Commissioner individually nominated Board of Supervisors commissioner shall be four (4)four years, with the possibility of renewal for no more than an additional four years. except as provided by the Policy and Guidelines.~~

~~(d) The two (2) youth members of the commission shall be appointed by the other five (5) commissioners.~~

~~(e)(c) The term of for each the two youth members Commissioner shall be no more than two (2) years. except as provided by the Policy and Guidelines.~~

~~(f) For the purpose of providing staggered terms of office for the 5 individually nominated Board of Supervisors commissioners, and for the purpose of implementing their terms of office, the initial terms of office of those commissioners shall expire as follows:~~

~~— District 1 appointee: January 1993
— District 2 appointee: January 1991;
— District 3 appointee: January 1993;
— District 4 appointee: January 1991;
— District 5 appointee: January 1993.~~

~~Following the first term of office, such commissioners shall be appointed for a four (4) year term.~~

~~(g) For the purpose of providing staggered terms of office for the two (2) youth members of the commission, and for the purpose of implementing their terms of office, the initial terms of office shall expire as follows:~~

~~First selected youth member: September, 2017
Second selected youth member: September, 2018~~

~~Following the first term of office, each youth member appointee shall be appointed for a two (2) year term.~~

~~(h)(d) The Commission Within thirty (30) days after the appointment of the commission, it shall meet and organize by electing a chairperson and vice chairperson. The member elected as chairperson~~

shall serve as such for not more than two (2) consecutive years, and thereafter shall not be eligible for election as chairperson until one (1) year has lapsed from his or her last term of office. At the first meeting of each calendar year, the commission shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson for the year. Such chairperson and vice chairperson shall serve for a period of one (1) year. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings, submit all motions to vote, and in general do all things ordinarily required of a commission chairperson.

~~(f)~~(e) The commission shall meet every other month at a regularly established place and time, or more frequently as needed, as determined by the chairperson. Meetings shall be open to the public and shall be held in compliance with the Policy and Guidelines including the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.).

(f) The two (2) youth members of the commission shall be between the ages of ~~16~~18-24 years old when initially selected.

~~(f)~~(g) The Commission shall be broadly representative of Sonoma County and the diversity of the County's communities and neighborhoods, in ethnicity, race, age, gender, and sexual orientation.

~~(k)~~ Four commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Consistent with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.), a majority of currently seated and active members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum.

~~(h)~~(h) Each commissioner shall serve at the pleasure of the Board and the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks, and may be removed during the commissioner's term at the will of the Board in consultation with the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks, ~~or, for the five (5) individually nominated commissioners, automatically, at such time as the appointing Supervisor leaves office as provided in the Policy and Guidelines.~~ Any commissioner who fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings, unless excused by the ~~commission~~, Director of Sonoma Regional Parks, ~~shall automatically~~ shall cease to be a member of the commission.

~~(m)~~(i) The Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks shall be ex officio secretary of the commission, shall attend all commission meetings and shall make such report to the commission, to the County ~~Administrator~~ Executive Officer or to the Board of Supervisors, as shall be required. The Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks may delegate any function, duty, or responsibility contained in these bylaws and attributed to the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks, to the Deputy Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks.

~~(n)~~(j) Commissioners shall serve without compensation unless and until the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors in its authority supersedes this provision. ~~Commissioners shall, however, receive mileage reimbursement in the sum per mile which is allowed to county employees by the current salary ordinance for each mile actually and necessarily traveled in performance of official duties and shall also receive reimbursement for meal expenses, but only when a meeting overlaps a meal period.~~

~~(e) Commissioners shall comply with the Conflict of Interest Policy adopted by the Board of Supervisors on May 15, 1979 by Resolution No. 63815; and~~

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission shall conduct its affairs in conformance with the Policy and Guidelines and shall, in addition, do the following:

(a) Act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors in promoting, aiding and encouraging public recreation, including [equity and diversity in the outdoors as well as](#) the development of recreation, park and open space facilities;

(b) Act in an advisory capacity to the Director of Regional Parks in the maintenance, development and operation of all recreation areas and facilities serving the residents of the county, excluding Spud Point Marina which has its own advisory committee;

(c) Establish general procedures to carry out the purpose of the commission;

(d) Study and make recommendations on the acquisition and development of recreational areas and facilities;

(e) Explain the recreation program to public officials and to the general public in order that the recreation, park and open space program may receive adequate support from public and private sources;

~~(f) Review and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisor and the County Administrator concerning the budget for the Regional Parks Department submitted by the Director of Regional Parks. The budget shall provide for the cost of maintenance and operation of parks, recreational facilities and program for the ensuing year, and shall contain estimates and recommendations for such long term capital outlay projects as may be necessary to provide for an orderly development of park and recreation areas and facilities;~~

~~(g) Recommend a time schedule for acquisition and development of park, recreation and open space facilities;~~

~~(h)~~(f) Study, advise and make recommendations, including policy and priority recommendations as requested by the Board of Supervisors;

Supervisors:

Gorin: Rabbitt: ~~Coursey~~Zane: Gore: ~~Carrillo~~=Hopkins:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.