



**OPEN MEETING**

**REPORT OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION  
BUILDING E SPACE PLANNING AD HOC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, March 6, 2024 – 1:30 p.m.  
24351 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637**

**Board Room & Virtual with Zoom**

**Report**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Hopkins - Chair, Yvonne Horton, Cush Bhada, Alison Bok, Nancy Carlson, Reza Karimi, Tom Tuning, Andy Ginocchio, SK Park, Sue Stephens

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Glenn Miller, Peter Sanborn

**OTHERS PRESENT:** **GRF:** Egon Garthoffner, Martin Roza, Juanita Skillman  
**UNITED:** Maggie Blackwell

**STAFF PRESENT:** Manuel Gomez – Maintenance & Construction Director, Ian Barnette – Maintenance & Construction Assistant Director, Guy West - Projects Division Manager, Alison Giglio - Recreation and Special Events Director, Jennifer Murphy – Recreation Manager, Sandra Spencer – Department Administrative Assistant

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

Director Horton called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

Hearing no objection, the agenda was approved as written.

**3. Approval of the Meeting Report from January 31, 2024**

Hearing no objection, the meeting report was approved as written.

#### **4. Remarks of the Chair**

Director Horton commented that Chair Hopkins would be joining the meeting late and restated the goal of the ad hoc committee.

#### **5. Member Comments – (Items Not on the Agenda)**

- A member commented on the desire for additional pickleball courts.
- A member commented on space planning, Security Department operations and the Austin Co. space planning study.
- A member commented on the table tennis facility within the Community Center.

#### **6. Response to Member Comments**

Committee members responded to member comments.

#### **7. Department Head Update**

None.

**8. Consent:** All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by the committee by one motion. In the event that an item is removed from the Consent Calendar by members of the committee, such item(s) shall be the subject of further discussion and action by the committee.

None.

#### **9. Items for Discussion and Consideration**

- a. Develop and Discuss Guiding Principles

Chair Hopkins joined the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

The committee discussed the summary of suggested guiding principles.

Director Bok made a motion, seconded by Director Tuning, for a plan to be developed by ad hoc committee members Nancy Carlson and Andy Ginocchio to utilize existing space within the Laguna Woods Community Center and clubhouses to consolidate staff and functions within the Village campus to be presented to the full committee on April 10, 2024. Discussion ensued.

Director Karimi left the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Staff read additional member comments submitted via email regarding table tennis and pickleball.

The motion was passed by a vote of 5/4/1 (Director Karimi was not present for the vote).

Director Stephens presented a handout to the committee as a sample format for relocation option submissions.

**b. Committee Member Input for Potential Relocation Options**

The committee did not discuss the item.

**10. Future Agenda Items:** All matters listed under Future Agenda Items are items for a future committee meeting. No action will be taken by the committee on these agenda items at this meeting.

None.

**11. Committee Member Comments**

- Director Ginocchio looks forward to the final list of guiding principles.
- Director Bhada commented on his vote on the motion and the date of the next committee meeting.
- Director Tuning commented that he welcomes the suggestion of any and all solutions.
- Director Carlson commented that the committee is not married to a specific option.
- Chair Hopkins commented that he would edit the list of suggested guiding principles, that the two committee members should begin their work on a plan, that other committee members should continue to research solutions, and that there should be no change to the existing ad hoc committee meeting schedule.

**12. Date of Next Meeting:** Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

**13. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

  
James Hopkins, Chair

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