REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - FINAL
6:00 PM, Thursday, April 4, 2019
Squaw Valley Public Utility District – Community Meeting Room
305 Squaw Valley Road
Olympic Valley, CA

Pursuant to notice given, a meeting of the Squaw Valley Municipal Advisory Council (SVMAC) was held on Thursday April 4, 2019 in the Squaw Valley Public Service District Community Meeting Room in Olympic Valley, California.

1. Call to Order
Stepner called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was established.
MEMBERS PRESENT: Calhoun, Johnson, Georgiu, Lange, and Stepner
MEMBERS ABSENT: Adriani and Bazjanac
STAFF PRESENT: Romack and Friedman
ATTENDANCE: 7

2. MAC Member Introductions

3. Approval of April 4, 2019 Agenda
CALHOUN/LANGE/UNANIMOUS

4. Approval of Minutes of February 7, 2019
LANGE/CALHOUN/UNANIMOUS

5. Reports:
   A. Supervisor/Tahoe Field Representative Reports
   Placer County CEO Todd Leopold reported Supervisor Montgomery has accepted an appointment from Governor Newsom. Her replacement will be appointed by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors or if necessary, appointment by the Governor. Twenty applications for the position have been submitted. The Board is meeting on April 9 and may make the appointment at that meeting, which is available via live stream at the County office. Comment can be made through the electronic connection.

   Leopold announced that every five years, the Placer County Charter is reviewed by a Committee that can make recommendations on revisions. Any changes are reviewed by the Board of Supervisors and subject to a voter ballot measure. The process will begin in June and applications to sit on the Committee are due by May 1.

   B. Community Reports
Mike Geary reported SVPSD Board Member Carl Gustafson passed away recently. A Celebration of Life is scheduled for May 18 at OVI at 3:00 PM. Victoria Mercer, one of 7 applicants, was appointed to serve out his term.

The SVPSD budget process has begun. Rates will be consistent to those outlined in the Prop 218 process done in 2017. Geary answered questions clarifying the 218 process.

Geary described upcoming projects, including the Truckee River Siphon Replacement.

Geary reported on the consultant team working to access the Poulson property for the potential acquisition. The Truckee Donner Land Trust also has a team evaluating the property and is considering options to secure funding. The appraisal should be released soon and a voter survey is being conducted in Squaw.

6. Public Comment
Stepner reported there will be a Truckee Wildfire and Preparedness Workshop on April 23 at the Alder Creek School.

Stepner reported the final EIR and draft EIS for the Base-to-Base Gondola should be available soon. Romack said the item will be presented to SVMAC in May.

Stepner reported that at this morning’s Truckee North Tahoe Transportation Management Association (TNT TMA) meeting, various transportation providers gave presentations for their Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) grant requests. Included was a request for the bus-on-shoulder pilot program on Highway 267 and SR 89. The latest proposal includes restriping, signage, and stenciling the road. The County is still working with Caltrans and CHP on details. A brief discussion followed. Erin Casey said the CAP Committee also awarded funds to study the feasibility of widening both of those corridors.

The Park & Ride program was successful this winter. Stepner said data was provided at the meeting. More people used it for Northstar than for Squaw, but that could be because Northstar provided supplemental service.

Stepner reported the Mountaineer until the end of April. He asked for input on the service.

7. Information Item
   A. Strategic Planning Update
   Update and discussion of the nine Critical Success Factors that serve as Placer County’s priority-guiding principles developed for decision-making purposes.
   Presenters: Todd Leopold, Placer County CEO
Leopold distributed a brochure outlining the County’s Strategic Plan update process, including the nine “Critical Success Factors” that will help shape growth over the next 5-10 years. Factors include
housing, health and human services, amenities offered in the County, economic development, and land use planning and environmental stewardship. Leopold discussed the goals of each and how the data collected will be used during the Plan update process.

8. Action Items

A. Countywide Park and Trail Master Plan

SVMAC is being asked to make a recommendation on the draft Countywide Park and Trail Master Plan. Staff will provide an overview of the final draft of the proposed Countywide Park and Trail Master Plan, which is anticipated to be presented to the Placer County Parks Commission for action in the spring and to the Placer County Board of Supervisors for final action in the summer. Staff’s presentation will also include a discussion of revisions made to the plan based on previous input from SVMAC and community members.

Presenter: Andy Fisher, Placer County Parks Division

Andy Fisher presented the draft Plan and described how the public was engaged in the process through focus groups, public presentations, and surveys. He presented highlights, including the overall philosophy that aligns with the County Strategic Plan for use of public spaces, parks, and trails. Partnerships in this area include SVPSD, TCPUD, and USFS, which allows for resources to be leveraged. Initiatives to be implemented include mapping, signage, coordinating volunteers, and outdoor recreation planning.

Fisher presented the Capital Improvement Program. Projects are categorized into Tier 1, which have funding and/or design, Tier 2, and Aspirational. Tier 1 includes approximately $2.5 million is allocated for Squaw Valley Park improvements, which will be identified in a separate Master Plan.

Almost $18 million in General Fund support over the next 30 years can be leveraged into almost $207 million in projects. Fisher showed a map of the regional trail system, which includes the Resort Triangle for this area, the Memorial Overland Immigrant Trail that runs down the Interstate 80 corridors, and the American River Bikeway on the west side of the County. Recommendations are broken down by region. Projects identified but not necessarily prioritized for this area include a paved trail system, snow removal on trails, and a recreation center. More information is available at placerparks.com.

Fisher answered questions from the Council and public regarding specifics on trail locations, acquiring easements from other landowners and permitting processes. A letter was submitted by Adriani noting the need for smaller neighborhood parks and facilities. Discussion continued as the report was clarified and the Council considered the action to take. Stepner and Johnson felt SVMAC should only voice an opinion of the Plan within SVMAC’s influence. Options were considered.
Motion to approve the draft Master Plan in its entirety to include service level standards that maintain financial equity with regard to previous service standards.

GEORGIU/LANGE/Motion carried with Johnson and Stepner voting no (3:2:0)

B. Request for Letter of Support
The MAC will consider a request received from the Squaw Valley Public Service District (SVPSD) to provide a letter of support to the Capital Projects Advisory (CAP) Committee regarding the SVPSD’s application for a Tourism Master Plan grant to help with the Olympic Meadow Acquisition.

Presenter: David Stepner, MAC Chair

Romack noted the draft letter submitted for review. Stepner reported the SVPSD and Truckee Donner Land Trust are raising funds for the Olympic Meadows acquisition. TOT is one avenue being explored and the two organizations have asked for a letter in support of that grant request. Mike Geary provided more information on how title would be held and fundraising campaigns.

The topic was open to public comment. Bob Barnett and Nancy Bartusch spoke in favor of the request.

Motion to approve sending a letter from SVMAC in support of the TOT grant request for funds to help with the Olympic Meadow acquisition. CALHOUN/JOHNSON/UNANIMOUS

9. MAC Member/Sub Committee Reports:
   A. Squaw Valley Design Review: David Stepner
   Stepner reported SVDRC met today and approve a request from Red Wolf Lodge to paint buildings from yellow to a darker earth town. There were also updates from Placer County staff.

   B. Parks and Rec: Shelly Georgiu and David Stepner
   The Committee did not meet.

10. Future Agenda Items
   - Base to Base Gondola
   - Proposed name change from Squaw to Olympic
   - Hauling snow from parking lot; clarify location

11. Adjournment at 7:50 PM to next regular meeting on May 2, 2019

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Friedman
Recording Secretary