MINUTES
ADJOURNED SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
WATERFRONT COMMISSION

MAY 7, 2002
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2134 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY

Roll Call: 5:03 p.m

Waterfront Commissioners Present: Cobb, Kawczynska, Minasian, Neilands, Perry, B. Smith, N. Smith, Kamen

Waterfront Commissioners Absent: None

1. City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission and Waterfront Commission
Discussion and possible Action

   a. Draft Conceptual Plan from the Eastshore Park Planning Team

   b. City Manager Information Report regarding commission’s recommendations
      concerning the Eastshore Park Preferred Concept Plan

   c. Overview of Staff’s Comments and Concerns on the Draft Park Concept Plan

2. Communications

   a. Dr. David L. Schneider
   b. Dennis Thomas
   c. Carley Paffenbaarger

3. Supplemental Communications

   d. Chris and Koleen King
   e. Paul Kamen
   f. Carla Din
   g. Sylvia McLaughlin
   h. Jill Martinucci, transmitting petition
   i. Marco Barrantes, Parks Commissioner
   j. Carol Thornton
   k. Rex Higginbotham, Albany Little League President
   l. Sasha Futran
Action: Moved, seconded, (Spring/Worthington) a main motion to approve the recommendations of the Parks and Recreation Commission with additional amendments to: 1) locate playing fields in Berkeley; 2) consider buying land from Golden Gate Fields for playing fields or to locate them at the North Basin Strip and to consider the Brickyard as a third option with a buffer area and to leave the Albany Plateau and Bulb as they are; 3) restore the shoreline of the Brickyard to a natural beach with sand; 4) designate the Meadow as a preservation area and provide protected areas where dogs and humans are not allowed; 5) provide for disabled access; 6) oppose promenades in the North Basin Strip; 7) oppose locating a Corporation Yard in this area; 8) support public transit programs and minimize parking as much as possible; 9) support retaining the Seabreeze Deli; 10) provide areas for large group picnics; 11) consider a BMX bike mound; and 12) develop programs in cooperation with existing programs.

Moved, seconded (Hawley/Armstrong) a substitute motion to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission’s recommendations further amended to state that: 1) there should be playing fields in Berkeley as well as on the Albany Plateau and that options should include the North Basin Strip and the Brickyard and that there should be as many playing fields as possible and to also include amendments (3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12) introduced as part of the main motion.

The motions were severed and voted on as follows:

Approval of the Parks and Recreation Commission’s recommendations and all amendments proposed in both the main and substitute motions with the exception of those related to playing fields (Unanimous).

The substitute motion related to playing fields (Failed: Noes – Breland, Spring, Worthington; Abstain – Maio, Olds).

The main motion to locate playing fields on land to be purchased from Golden Gates Fields or the North Basin Strip in the Eastshore State Park (Carried: Noes – Hawley, Olds).

The main motion to consider the Brickyard as an option for playing fields (Carried: Noes – Breland, Shirek; Abstain – Maio, Spring).

Adjournment: 7:18 p.m.