

CITY OF OAKLAND

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission



DRAFT MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order: **4:47 pm.**

2. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Read, Omolo, Snyder, Thomas, Tran, Watkins, Whitmore

Present (6): Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners Alper, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Thomas

Remote (1): Commissioner Whitmore

Excused (4): Commissioners Henderson, Snyder, Tran, Watkins

Absent (0):

Action: Quorum confirmed.

– **Commissioner Whitmore requested to participate in the meeting remotely.**

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve remote attendance for Commissioner Whitmore.

Moved by: Commissioner Kos-Read

Seconded by: Commissioner Thomas

Vote: Yes (6) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

3. Modification of the Agenda

– **Agenda Item 7D to be heard before 7A.**

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the agenda with modifications.

Moved by: Vice Chair Omolo

Seconded by: Commissioner Cervantes

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

4. Disposition of Minutes

- Approval of draft minutes from regular meeting on **February 12, 2025.**
- Approval of draft minutes from special meeting on **February 26, 2025.**

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

Moved by: Commissioner Thomas

Seconded by: Commissioner Alper

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

5. Open Forum

Comment on all items not on the agenda are taken at this time.

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

Email: 0

6. Measure Q Update

- Monthly OPW Informational Report on Measure Q and Performance Measure Updates.
 - Measure Q Budget Update
 - Staffing Update

Public Comment

In-Person: 1

Remote: 1

Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to receive and file the Measure Q report.

Moved by: Vice Chair Omolo

Seconded by: Commissioner Kos-Read

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

7. New Business

7D. Letter on projected Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 – 2027 Measure Q budget shortfall.

Public Comment

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to send letter on behalf of PRAC.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Alper

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

- 7A. Request approval from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission for the American Brain Tumor Association to collect on-site registration fees and donations at the breakthrough for Brain Tumors 5k Run & Walk to be hosted at Lakeside Park (Fairlyland grassy area) on Saturday, September 6, 2025, from 8:00am-4:00pm.

Public Comment

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion approve the request.

Moved by: Commissioner Tran

Seconded by: Commissioner Kos-Read

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

- 7B. Request approval from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission for San Leandro Education Foundation to collect onsite donations and host silent/live auction at the spring fling fundraising event to be hosted at Dunsmuir Hellman Estate Pavilion on Friday, March 21, 2025, from 5:30pm-9:30pm.

Public Comment

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the request.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Kos-Read

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

- 7C. Request approval from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission for Attitudinal Healing Connection (AHC) Center for ArtEsteem to collect donations and sales of artwork at their art exhibit to be hosted at Studio One Art Center on Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

Public Comment

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the request.

Moved by: Vice Chair Omolo

Seconded by: Commissioner Cervantes

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

8. Planning and Conditional Use Permits (CUPs)

- **None.**

9. Update from the Director, Committees, and Announcements

Announcements:

- Chair Barach updated the PRAC on the meeting held regarding the unauthorized Joaquin Miller Park cycle track. The meeting was held at the same time as the special PRAC meeting. In attendance were the Friends of Joaquin Miller Park group, the OPRYD director, and a representative from OPW. In this meeting, the OPRYD director advised the City's capacity to enforce park rules and oversee volunteer activities.
- Commissioner Kos-Read advised Oakland Roots's season launch the coming Saturday at the Coliseum.

10. Continuation of Open Forum

- Final comments on items not on the agenda are taken at this time.

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

11. Adjournment: **6:32 pm.**

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Commissioner Kos-Read

Seconded by: Commissioner Alper

Vote: Yes (7) Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Whitmore
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

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Next Regular PRAC Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jasmine S. Bellow". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jasmine" being more prominent than the last name "Bellow".

Jasmine S. Bellow

Executive Assistant to the Director

PRAC Recording Secretary

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