



North of the River Recreation & Park District

NORTH OF THE RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING 3825 RIVERLAKES DRIVE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026, 4:30 P.M.

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AGENDA

Posted Prior to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, February 20, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER _____ P.M

2. ROLL CALL

Governing Board Member

Jenifer VanAlstein, Chairperson

Janett Miller, Clerk

Bob Smith

Ryan Skidmore

Garrison Moratto

Jeff Chudy

Present

Absent

Staff Members

Bret Haney, General Manager

Allison Bryant, Director of Finance

Esther Grijalva, Director of Human Resources

Steph Thisius, Director of Planning and Construction

Jasmin LoBasso, Director of Community Relations

Lauren Cronk, Director of Recreation

Mike Evans, Director of Operations and Maintenance

Legal Counsel

Jacob Thomasy

3. NOTICE OF MEETING BEING TAPED, FILMED, STREAMED OR BROADCASTED

Please be aware that a recording and broadcasting of tonight’s meeting is being made and may capture images and/or sounds of those attending tonight’s meeting.

4. FLAG SALUTE

The Flag salute will be led by North of the River Recreation and Park District Board of Directors.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Items requiring attention after the agenda is posted may be added to the agenda with 2/3 majority approval of the Board. Items to be added will be made available to the public at the meeting.

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The North of the River Recreation and Park District Board of Directors may take official action only on items included in the posted agenda. Items addressed during the Public Comment section are generally matters not included on the agenda and, therefore, the Board will not take action at this scheduled meeting. Such items, however, may be added to a future meeting’s agenda. Members of the public may address the Board on items included on the agenda in the order that the items appear. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state your name before making your presentation. Thank you.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are deemed routine in nature. Information concerning these items has been forwarded to each Board Member prior to this meeting for their study. The Consent Agenda is acted upon in one motion unless members of the Board, staff, or public request discussion and/or removal of an item.

A. Posting of Agenda

Approval of Secretary Declaration of Posting of Agenda 72 Hours in Advance of Meeting

B. Minutes

Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors’ Regular and Special Meeting Held January 19, 2026, and February 03, 2026

C. Financial

Approval of Receipt of Bills and Invoices

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Consent Agenda

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

8. BOARD BUSINESS

A. First Read of the Proposed Revision and Name Change to Finance Policies (Purchasing, Accounts Payable and Bidding Process), Addition of Capital Improvement and Major Maintenance, Change Order Policies

Staff is presenting a First Read of the proposed revision to Policy 6-103 through 6-105, District Purchasing and Accounts Payable Policies and will seek Board approval at the March regular Board meeting. These policies updated approval thresholds under CUPCCA, separate purchasing policies, revise bidding and purchase order processes, add a Change Order policy, clarify cooperative purchasing agreements, and remove outdated procedures. First Read.

B. Approval of Application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for Standard Park Renovation Project, Resolution #04-26

Staff request Board approval of Resolution #04-26 to apply for grant.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution #04-26 to apply for grant

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

C. Discussion and Direction Regarding the Potential of an NOR General Obligation (GO) Bond

Staff request discussion by the Board of Directors to proceed with the exploration of a GO Bond.

D. Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Workshop—Corollary Discussion

Staff will answer any remaining questions and provide further insight following January’s CIP workshop.

9. STAFF REPORTS

A. General Manager

B. Capital Improvement Projects

C. Financial

D. Personnel

E. Parks Division

F. Recreation

G. Community Relations

H. Training

Reports Received and Filed.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received in February.

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Opportunity for the Board to comment on items not listed on the agenda.

GARRISON MORATTO

JEFF CHUDY

JENIFER VANALSTEIN

BOB SMITH

RYAN SKIDMORE

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at _____p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on March 23, 2026, 4:30 p.m. at the RiverLakes Ranch Community Center and District Administrative Complex.

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