



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

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AGENDA

Posted Prior to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, March 20, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER _____ P.M

2. ROLL CALL

<u>Governing Board Member</u>	Present	Absent
Jenifer VanAlstein, Chairperson	_____	_____
Janett Miller, Clerk	_____	_____
Bob Smith	_____	_____
Ryan Skidmore	_____	_____
Garrison Moratto	_____	_____
Jeff Chudy	_____	_____
 <u>Staff Members</u>		
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	_____	_____
 <u>Legal Counsel</u>		
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. NOR COMMUNITY CHAMPION

Community Champion for March 2026 — Jeff Moffit, Department Chair, Associate Professor of the CSUB Kinesiology Department.

7. 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.

8. 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 Meeting Held February 23, 2026

C. Financial

Approval of Receipt of Bills and Invoices

D. Bills Exceeding Policy Limit

Approval of bills exceeding policy limit

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Consent Agenda

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

9. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Approve Proposed Revisions and Name Changes to Finance Policies, Purchasing, Accounts Payable and Bidding Process, Addition of Capital Improvement and Major

Maintenance, Change Order Policies, Resolution #05-26

Staff requests Board approval of the proposed revisions to Policies 6-103 through 6-108, District Purchasing and Accounts Payable Polies to update approval thresholds under CUPCCAA, separate purchasing policies, revise bidding and purchase order processes, add a Change Order policy, clarify cooperative purchasing agreements and remove outdated procedures.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution #05-26 adopting proposed revision to Policies 6-103 through 6-108.

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

B. Approve Minor Revisions to Informal Bidding Procedures Policy and Move from Chapter 10 – Development to Chapter 6 – Finance, Resolution #06-26

Staff requests Board approval minor revisions to Informal Bidding Procedures Policy and relocation of the policy from Chapter 10 —Development to Chapter 6 — Finance within the District’s Policy.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution #06-26 approving revisions to the Informal Bidding Procedures Policy.

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

C. Approve Resolution of Intention 7226436154 to Amend CalPERS Pension Contract to include Public Employees’ Pension Reform Act Language, Resolution #07-26

Staff requests Board approval of Resolution of Intention to amend the District’s contract with the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (CalPERS) to incorporate provisions of the Public Employees’ Pension Reform Act (PEPRA).

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution #07-26 approving the Resolution of Intention to amend the District’s CalPERS Pension Contract.

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

D. First Read of Proposed Revisions to the Scholarship Program, Policy #9-302

Staff are presenting a First Read of the proposed revisions to Policy #9-302, Scholarship Program, and will seek Board approval at the April regular Board meeting. This policy reflects the updates and clarification in eligibility criteria, funding, and program applicability.

E. Naming of Future Parks, 4 Sites, within Palm Crossing (former King Ranch Development), Resolutions #08-26, #09-26, #10-26, #11-26

Staff recommends discussion of the naming options for 4 parks within the Palm Crossing/King Ranch development and vote to approve a name for each site individually with resolution.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolutions #08-26, #09-26, #10-26, #11-26 naming four future park sites.

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

F. Approval of Land Purchase at Greenacres Park, Resolution #12-26

Staff recommend approval of the agreement between NOR and Fruitvale School District for the purchase of land at Greenacres Park.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution #12-26 approving agreement of land purchase at Greenacres Park.

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

G. Tree Trimming and Removal at Fruitvale-Norris Park, Resolution #13-26

Staff requests Board approval to award the bid to Rancho Tree Services for the trimming and removal at Fruitvale-Norris Park.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution #13-26 awarding the bid to Rancho Tree Services

Motion_____ Second_____ Ayes_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____

10. 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.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received in March.

12. 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

13. Executive Session

Open Executive Session: _____ P.M.

- A. Request for Executive Session Pending Litigation Settlement in the Matter of Hernandez Rivera vs. North of the River Recreation and Park District — Government Code 54956.9(d)(1)

**B. Request for Executive Session Regarding General Manager Performance Evaluation —
Government Code 54957**

Close Executive Session: _____ P.M.

14. 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 April 20, 2026, 4:30 p.m. at the RiverLakes Ranch Community Center and District Administrative Complex.

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