AD HOC TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE ROSSMOOR GENERAL PLAN REPORT

REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2015, AT 9:00 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Ad Hoc Task Force to Review the Rossmoor General Plan (Task Force) was called to order by the Chairman, Donald J. Liddle, at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 20, 2015, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Chairman, were Mary Hufford, Vice Chairman, Carol J. Edlund, Secretary, Christine A. Bertrand, F. William Dorband, Alice S. Lau, Alan W. Swanson, and Robert D. Kelso, GRF representative and ex-officio member. Also attending were Warren T. Salmons, CEO; Leslie Birdsall, President, GRF; Paul J. Donner, Director of Mutual and Trust Operations; Jeffrey P. Matheson, Director of Resident Services; and several residents.

The report of the Task Force’s regular meeting held on July 6, 2015, was accepted as submitted.

No residents spoke during the first Residents’ Forum.

Mr. Donner discussed the following completed projects: the Creekside Master Plan, the table tennis facility, and the new tennis courts. Current projects in progress include the Del Valle Complex remodel, the Gateway HVAC system upgrade, the drop creek structure replacement, and the Dollar Clubhouse painting. He explained that the work of the Facilities Department includes maintenance, replacements, and upgrades of five clubhouses, golf course, bridges, parks, streets, sidewalks, light poles, benches, railings, furnishings, and window coverings. Obviously, the scope of the work of the crew of five is very broad. Mr. Donner also described several topics of relevance:

- Total labor hours performed (2,053) and work orders received (343) so far this year.

- The long-term maintenance needs including estimated replacement costs.

- The Long-Range Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan (spreadsheet) ending with an estimated total cost for budgeting purposes. This draft document is regarded as a planning tool, as we need to think long-range and comprehensively, and appreciate past expenses and future needs. Nothing happens until information goes to the Finance Committee and then is incorporated into the budget for GRF Board approval.

- Possible future Trust projects (an informal list).
Mr. Matheson described his department’s work with clubs and organizations, and discussed the following:

- A list of Rossmoor’s 211 organizations includes membership and supervisors.
- All facilities require cleaning and maintenance staff. They are widely used for a variety of activities. Usage needs are growing; e.g., average usage has increased from 72% daily to 94%. Clubs do not pay rental fees but do pay for set-ups, and the need for more space is a continuing concern.
- The 24,000 annual reservations include room usage, activities, trips, classes, workshops, etc.

In conclusion, the Task Force thanked the two speakers and agreed that the facilities support the Rossmoor lifestyle.

Mr. Swanson discussed his concern that residents are given opportunities to participate in official business activities. He reviewed the resident committee listings and wonders if there are any term limits. He determined there are none. He also wondered if there are any qualifications for membership and found none. He offered these comments for the Task Force’s consideration. The Chairman questioned whether this matter is the Task Force’s concern.

The Chairman handed out information from the Governance Subcommittee that he and Ms. Lau worked on as a template for the Task Force to consider. They worked off the original General Plan document and added their own ideas. For example, when a task has been completed, the completion date is noted. When words/phrases are added, they are underlined and the old ones crossed out. The edits remain in place for final deliberation, but a clean copy will be presented to the GRF Board. The Chairman and Ms. Lau were thanked for providing this information to the Task Force.

Future speakers were discussed. The August 31st Task Force meeting will focus on Mutuats and Transportation is the topic for its August 17th meeting. The Governance and Security Subcommittees will present their reports at the August 17th meeting.

During the second Residents’ Forum, one resident spoke about letting residents know about committee contacts.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.
There will be no meeting on Monday, August 3, 2015. The next regular meeting of the Task Force will be held on Monday, August 17, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Donald J. Liddle, Chairman
Ad Hoc Task Force to Review the Rossmoor General Plan

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