

LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 11, 2025**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Robert Livermore Community Center  
4444 East Avenue, Livermore, CA 94550-5053  
West Wing Conference Room**

**Committee Members Present:** Chair David Furst, Director Maryalice Faltings

**Staff Present:** Mathew Fuzie, General Manager (GM)  
Fred Haldeman, Parks & Facilities Manager (PFM)  
Jill Kirk, Community Services Manager (CSM)  
Linda VanBuskirk, Executive Assistant  
Rene Venus Dalusong, Executive Assistant  
Brenda Rios, Child Development Supervisor  
Harmony Brockman, Child Development Supervisor  
Daniel Mason, Facilities & Parks Maintenance Supervisor

**Members of the Public Present:** None.

1. **Call to Order:** Committee Chair Fust called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. **Public Comment:** Chair Furst opened the public comment period. There were no speakers, and the public comment period was closed.
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the Facilities Committee Meeting held on May 14, 2025:**
  - **Action:** The minutes of the Facilities Committee meeting held on May 14, 2025 were approved as submitted.
4. **ESS Enterprise**

GM Fuzie informed the committee that both the Program and Personnel Committees have reviewed and support the concept of Extended Student Services (ESS) becoming a more formally defined business unit within the District. The goal is not to separate ESS from the District, but to establish a clearer structure, including its own budgeting and financial oversight. ESS would continue to collaborate closely with other departments such as Recreation, Open Space, and Aquatics. GM Fuzie suggested that staff develop a plan to define ESS' vision, mission, structure, policies, and procedures. This work could be referenced in the Parks Master Plan.

Committee Questions/Comments:

- a) Director Faltings asked if this kind of change is even possible. [*GM Fuzie confirmed that it is.*]
- b) Director Faltings provided a brief history of how ESS was originally formed.

- c) Director Faltings asked whether the change would lead to increased rates or fees. [*CSM Kirk responded that no changes are anticipated, as the current model is working well.*]
  - d) Chair Furst recommended dropping the term “enterprise.” The focus should stay on clearly defining and strengthening the program. [*GM Fuzie and staff agreed.*]
  - e) GM Fuzie added that while ESS would still be part of the District, it needs a clearly defined policy and procedure, along with a strong, consistent message about its purpose.
- **Action:** This was a discussion only; no Committee action was taken. However, the committee agreed to move forward with defining ESS’ structure and discontinue use of the term “enterprise” in reference to the program.

**5. Planning for Future Trails and Trail Connectors (Standing Item)**

GM Fuzie made the following updates:

- a) T15 South Bay Aqueduct Trail: GM Fuzie updated the committee on LARPD’s inquiry regarding the Department of Water Resources’ issuance of a permit for right of entry for a one-time tour. [*Chair Furst asked for maps of the T15 South Bay Aqueduct Trail and the T6 Arroyo Las Positas Trail and also requested an update on the T6 trail at a future meeting.*]
  - b) California State Park Inquiry: GM Fuzie informed the committee that California State Parks contacted the District requesting project photos related to a 2009 grant.
- **Action:** This was informational only; no Committee action was taken. However, staff will provide maps of the T15 South Bay Aqueduct Trail and T6 Arroyo Las Positas Trail, along with an update on the T6 trail at a future meeting.

**6. CIP Update/List of all CIP Projects (Standing Item)**

PFM Haldeman provided an update on current Capital Improvement Projects as of June 11, 2025. The list of CIP projects was included in the agenda packet.

- **Action:** This was informational only; no Committee action was taken.

**7. Playground Replacement Projects (Standing Item)**

The update on the Playground Replacement Projects was shared under Item 6.

- **Action:** This was informational only; no Committee action was taken.

**8. Future Agenda Items / Matters Initiated / Announcements**

- a) GM Fuzie announced the recent press release highlighting the successful partnership between LARPD and the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District to expand aquatics programming at the Livermore High School pool. Positive community feedback has praised this collaboration.
- b) Chair Furst inquired about restarting the Intergovernmental Committee meetings. GM Fuzie said the meetings may resume sometime next year. He meets quarterly with the City Manager and School Superintendent, and together they will determine when the group is ready to restart the meetings.

**9. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

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