

## **OPEN MEETING**

### **REPORT OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

Thursday, November 9, 2023 – 1:30 p.m.  
Board Room/Virtual Meeting

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Yvonne Horton, Chair, Maggie Blackwell, Cush Bhada, Mark Laws, Mickie Choi Hoe, Andy Ginocchio, Sue Stephens, Dennis Boudreau, Ajit Gidwani

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Peter Sanborn

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bunny Carpenter, Elsie Addington, Juanita Skillman, Joan Milliman, S. K. Park, Georgiana Willis

**STAFF PRESENT:** Alison Giglio, Jennifer Murphy, Tom McCray, Samantha Kurland, Jackie Chioni, Guy West, Manuel Gomez

#### **Call to Order**

Chair Horton called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

#### **Acknowledgement of Media**

There was no press present.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Chair Horton made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Clubhouse 1 Renovation Phasing Options under Reports. Director Bhada seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Approval of Committee Report for October 12, 2023**

Director Bhada made a motion to approve the report. Director Laws seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Chair's Remarks**

Chair Horton did not have remarks for this meeting.

## **Report of the Recreation and Special Events Director**

Ms. Giglio reported the following Recreation Department highlights: Clubhouse 1 hosted the annual Halloween Golf Cart Parade which was a success with approximately 26 spirited carts participating; the Drop-in Lounge is serving around 750 cups of coffee per week; OC Vector Control has been contacted to address the Clubhouse 1 mosquito concerns through treatment and mitigation efforts and will be closely monitored as Orange County has an increase of mosquitos versus previous years; staff has requested all doors to be properly sealed if necessary to prevent mosquitos from entering inside, but mosquito repellent is still recommended; the annual pool maintenance rotation has begun with the Pool 4 closure and is expected to reopen on December 13; Pool 1 will close next followed by Pool 5 and lastly Pool 2; all pool maintenance is expected to be completed by Memorial Day weekend; Clubhouse 4 hosted the Arts and Crafts Bonanza last weekend showcasing beautiful and unique creations with an estimated 1,590 people in attendance throughout the weekend; Clubhouse 5 hosted Oktoberfest on Monday, October 23 with 170 in attendance; the Village Bazaar was hosted on Saturday, October 28 with 60 vendors and approximately 600 in attendance; additional lighting was installed on the Pool 5 deck as an additional safety measure for our patrons and lifeguards; two employees have been hired at the Fitness Center to replace those who have left; the Equestrian Center hosted the Harvest Hoedown on October 14 with approximately 260 in attendance; the Library greeted 2,660 visitors with volunteers working 801 hours; 35 new residents have signed up for Library catalogue access in October; a 20% increase in DVD checkouts was noted; of the daily visitors, 30% check out catalogued items and 70% visit the Library to use honor system paperbacks, do puzzles and use the reading area; under direction of CAC and GRF, Recreation staff has been evaluating cost recovery for fee-based and free events and activities since the second quarter of this year and will continue until year end with a final review to include recommended improvements to be more efficient with budgeted resources.

Ms. Giglio reported that the GRF Board approved the following: the donation of fans from the Saddle Club which will be installed after the first of the new year; the donation of driving range nets to Laguna Hills High School; Golf Pro Shop promotional sales via email; Recreation and Special Events Operating Rules which are on 28-day hold. GRF Board voted against the recommendation to remove the Clubhouse 1 Drop-In Lounge tv and staff was directed to create a set schedule of non-competitive and non-controversial programming.

Ms. Murphy reported the following: the Equestrian Center will be hosting a clinic on November 11 and 12, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; the Veterans Day program will be hosted at Clubhouse 2, 11 a.m. to noon; the Performing Arts Center will host the free Monday movie, *Living*, on November 20 at 2 p.m.; Clubhouse 1 will host the Holiday Tree Lighting on Saturday, December 2, 6 to 7:30 p.m.; the annual Thanksgiving buffet will be hosted at both Clubhouse 2 and Clubhouse 5; the annual Christmas buffet will be hosted at Clubhouse 5 on December 25 at 1 p.m. and tickets will go on sale Thursday, November 30

at the Clubhouse 5 office; Clubhouse 5 will host a New Year's Eve dinner/dance at 6:30 p.m. with tickets going on sale December 6; the Performing Arts Center will host a New Year's Eve show at 7:30 p.m. with tickets on sale now; ABBAFAB will be featured at the Performing Arts Center concert on February 17.

Mr. McCray reported the following: the driving range is reopened; Golf demo days will begin again per GRF board approval; a black Friday sale will be hosted the day after Thanksgiving; the golf course is in very good shape due to cooler weather; professional tree trimming is being planned for 2024 in the Garden Center and volunteers are assisting with this project; Garden Center compliance issues are consistently being addressed.

### **Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)**

Members were called to speak on the following: Pool 1 incident regarding resident verbalizing rude comments to a young lifeguard and requested Breeze articles to inform community of proper behavior expected.

Ms. Giglio stated staff will conduct a community outreach.

### **CONSENT**

Director Blackwell made a motion to approve the consent calendar. No second.

Discussion ensued.

Motion passed 5-1. Director Laws opposed.

### **REPORTS**

**Pool 5 Extended Hours Update** – Ms. Giglio reported Pool 5 utilization based upon sign-in sheets showing usage comparable to 6 a.m. versus 6 p.m.

Member emails were read regarding the following: in favor of Pool 5 extended hours; Pool 5 lap swim.

Discussion ensued.

**Clubhouse 1 Renovation Phasing Options** – Mr. West presented the phasing options.

Discussion ensued.

Staff was directed to place copies of the presentation in the Community Activities Committee member boxes for further review.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION**

**Resident Request for Golf Cart Parking Spaces at the 19 Restaurant** – Ms. Giglio stated the staff report.

Discussion ensued.

Members were called to speak on the following: ADA parking identification is the issue to be addressed; community message to state multiple golf carts may fit in one regular car space.

Director Laws made a motion to not add golf cart parking at the 19 Restaurant. Director Ginocchio seconded.

Motion passed 4-1-1. Director Blackwell opposed and Director Bhada recused.

**Resident Request for Basketball Hoop Addition at Clubhouse 1** – Ms. Giglio stated the staff report.

Director Blackwell made a motion to deny the request of addition of a basketball hoop at Clubhouse 1. Director Laws seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Motion passed 5-1. Director Bhada recused.

### **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

**Reservation System Review** – Staff was directed to place this item under Items for Future Agendas.

**Recreation Policy Review** – Staff was directed to keep this item under Items for Future Agendas.

### **CONCLUDING BUSINESS**

#### **Committee Member Comments**

Director Choi Hoe announced the Korean American Association is hosting a free Arirang festival on November 16 at the Performing Arts Center at 3 p.m.

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting of the GRF Community Activities Committee will be held both in the board room and virtually via the Zoom platform at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 14, 2023.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Yvonne Horton

Yvonne Horton, Chair