

## **AUSD/City Subcommittee meeting**

03/26/18

1. Called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Mayor Trish Spencer. People in attendance:

### City of Alameda

Trish Spencer – Mayor

Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft – Councilmember

Liz Warmerdam – Acting City Manager

Jennifer Ott – Acting Assistant City Manager

Amy Wooldridge – Recreation and Parks Director

Debbie Potter – Community Development Director

Janet Kern – City Attorney

### Alameda Unified School District

Gray Harris – Board President

Jennifer Williams – Board Member

Sean McPhetridge – Superintendent

Chad Pimentel – General Counsel

Shariq Khan – Chief Business Officer

2. Approved the minutes of January 10, 2017 City Council/School Board Subcommittee Meeting. Motion by Councilmember Ezzy Ashcraft. Seconded by Board President Harris. All in favor.
3. No public speakers
4. City/School District Issues

#### 4-A Student Transit Passes

The Mayor and Staff Gail Payne provided a presentation on the Alameda County Transportation Commission's Affordable Student Bus Pass pilot program, which is in its third and last year before it expands. The purpose of placing this item on the agenda is to proactively coordinate with AUSD on how AUSD would like to participate in the countywide program beyond the pilot, which ends June 2019. The City is funding its own pilot program for Island High School students, which will allow all 120 of its students to receive free bus passes until June 2019 with the idea that Island High School then could be folded into the countywide program. The Mayor is interested in seeing the countywide program prioritize low-income students to receive the free bus passes.

#### Item 4-B Alameda Unified School District (AUSD) Use of Alameda Recreation and Parks Department (ARPD) Facilities

Amy Wooldridge, Recreation and Parks Director, provided a brief overview on the Recreation and Park Department's draft Athletic Facility Allocation Policy. The draft policy was provided to all facility users for review, including school Athletic Directors and held a user input meeting. The policy is going before

Recreation and Parks Commission on April 12. The overarching guiding principal is to make public athletic facilities available to as many youth as possible for a wide variety of sports. The allocation levels currently are City first, then Alameda-based schools, then non-profits. This has been the practice for over 20 years and was put into a written policy in 2010 and has been the operating policy since then. In late 2017, ARPD staff informally surveyed all athletic directors (public and private schools) and asked how many of their students in their sports programs were first-time athletes. Found that for an average of 65%, school was their first introduction to the sport. This information was a part of why staff kept all Alameda schools at the second priority level – as part of original intent to serve as many youth as possible.

The Fair Play Act for girls in sports now overlays all scheduling for public facilities. This means that regardless of the final determination of allocation levels, an organization could get bumped up a level if city hasn't scheduled at least 50% girls.

The School Board unanimously passed a resolution asking the City and Alameda Recreation and Parks Department to give AUSD priority over all non-public agencies in the rental of city facilities. This resolution was distributed to City Council and Recreation and Parks Commissioners.

#### Item 4-C Update on Employee Housing

Shariq Khan, CBO of AUSD, updated the Subcommittee on employee housing project AUSD is working on with Education Housing Partners. After a competitive process, Education Housing Partners was selected for this project. Education Housing Partners is an affiliate of Alameda Point Partners and has completed employee housing projects for other school districts. The project was put on hold while awaiting for transfer of Site A from the City of Alameda to the Alameda Point Partners. The District is in the process of restarting negotiations with Education Housing Partners, now that the Alameda Point Partners have completed transfer of Site A.

#### Item 4-D Proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with AUSD and Housing Authority Regarding Former Community Improvement Commission (CIC) Affordable Housing Funds/AUSD Pass-Through Agreement

Debbie Potter, Community Development Director, updated the Subcommittee on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) being negotiated between the Alameda Unified School District (AUSD) and the Housing Authority regarding the disbursement of funds for affordable housing development pursuant to the District's 1991 Business and Waterfront Improvement Project (BWIP) Pass-Through Agreement. The Pass-Through Agreement was negotiated with the former Community Improvement Commission.

As part of the dissolution process for former redevelopment agencies, the State Department of Finance has determined that the Pass-Through Agreement is an enforceable obligation. Funding for affordable housing projects under the Pass-Through Agreement must flow through the District to the Housing Authority. The MOU will establish that process. The MOU provides consideration to the District for acting in its capacity as a party to the Pass-Through Agreement.

While the City is not a party to the MOU, Housing Authority staff has agreed to request that the City Council consider amending the City's Inclusionary Housing Program guidelines to provide a preference point to qualified District employees (moderate-income units only).

There was a brief discussion and School Board members stated that, as drafted, District employees would receive a preference point for no more than 30% of available inclusionary units, thus ensuring that other qualified residents/employees would also have access to moderate-income inclusionary housing units.