

**MINUTES
OF REGULAR MEETING OF
THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM COMMISSION**

Thursday, July 30, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission (the "Commission") was held in the Coliseum Commission Room on Thursday, July 30, 2015, and was called to order at 2:44 p.m. by President **RIDLEY-THOMAS**.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Mark Ridley-Thomas, President
Mr. William Chadwick, Vice President
Mr. Curren D. Price, Jr.
Mr. Reginald B. Jones-Sawyer (Non-voting, arrived at 2:58 p.m.)

ABSENT: Mr. Ricardo Lara (Non-voting)
Mr. Don Knabe (Alternate)
Mr. Tom LaBonge (Alternate)

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Robert E. Osborne, CAO and Secretary
Mr. Thomas J. Faughnan, Co-Counsel
Ms. Noreen Vincent, Co-Counsel

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Joe Furin
Mr. Dan Stimmler
Ms. Connie Yee
Mr. Greg Hellmold
Ms. Leslie Wall
Ms. Paloma Perez-McEvoy
Ms. Ana Lasso
Mr. Tom Penn
Mr. Samson Mulugeta

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no requests for revisions to the Minutes.

ACTION: Moved by Vice President **CHADWICK**, seconded by Commissioner **PRICE**, unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 30, 2015, and the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 28, 2015, were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Ron **MILLER**, of LA/OC Building Trades, addressed the Commission regarding contracting for local worker hiring for the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena Redevelopment Project.

5. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President **RIDLEY-THOMAS** commented on the Special Olympics being held at the Memorial Coliseum.

6. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. **OSBORNE** reported on the following items:

- A. Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Commission and the County of Los Angeles which became effective June 1, 2015.
- B. Amended Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code which became effective July 1, 2015
- C. USC's Centennial Capital Program which has commenced and, pursuant to the lease agreement, is required to be completed no later than July 29, 2023.
- D. The need to develop a strategic plan that communicates the Commission's mission, vision, and values.

President **RIDLEY-THOMAS** instructed Mr. **OSBORNE** to draft the conceptual framework of the strategic plan, which will include input from each Commissioner, to be discussed openly when the next CAO's report is presented, whereby each Commissioner will have the opportunity to provide additional comments before presenting the finalized strategic plan.

ACTION: By Common Consent, there being no objection, the Chief Administrative Officer's Report was received and filed.

7. CONSIDERATION OF THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL SPORTS ARENA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Mr. Tom **PENN**, co-owner and President of the LAFC Sports, LLC (LAFC) presented an update of the Proposed Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena Redevelopment Project.

The Commission asked questions and a general discussion ensued.

ACTION: By Common Consent, there being no objection, the written reports presented by LAFC were received and filed.

8. CONTROLLER'S REPORT

Ms. Connie **YEE**, Division Chief of the Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller's Office, reported that the financial statement audit for the year ended June 30, 2014 was underway but had not been completed.

The Commission asked questions and a general discussion ensued.

Mr. **OSBORNE** presented the financial report for the quarter and year ended June 30, 2015, and the Commission's cash flow projections through 2019.

ACTION: By Common Consent, there being no objection, the Controller's Report was received and filed.

9. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST RECEIVED FOR PUBLIC INTEREST EVENT (ETHIOPIAN SPORTS FEDERATION IN NORTH AMERICA'S ANNUAL SOCCER TOURNAMENT)

Mr. Samson **MULUGETA**, Executive Representative of the Ethiopian Sports Federation in North America, presented a proposed public interest event scheduled for July 3, 2016 through July 9, 2016.

ACTION: By Common Consent, there being no objections, the Commission instructed the CAO to further review the request and present a recommendation to the Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

10. UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S REPORT

Mr. Joe **FURIN**, General Manager of the Memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena, presented the Memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena event recap, overview of events in progress or upcoming, and the semi-annual report to be presented at the Commission's next Regular Meeting.

Mr. **FURIN** also reported on the progress of the Centennial Capital Program.

ACTION: By Common Consent, there being no objection, the University of Southern California's Report was received and filed.

11. ARCHIVING OF PHOTOGRAPHS, MEMORABILIA, AND DOCUMENTS

Mr. **OSBORNE** reported that he had discussions with Mr. **FURIN** and Mr. **FAUGHNAN** to clarify who has ownership rights over some of the Coliseum's memorabilia items.

The Commission asked questions and a general discussion ensued.

ACTION: On motion of President **RIDLEY-THOMAS**, there being no objections, the Commission instructed the CAO to produce a report as to ideas in which the memorabilia and history of the Coliseum can be best preserved by the next regularly scheduled meeting.

12. "WORLD STAGE LEGACY" MURAL

Mr. **OSBORNE** reported that the mural has now been in place for approximately 60 days. The Commission asked questions and a general discussion ensued.

ACTION: On motion of President **RIDLEY-THOMAS**, there being no objections, the Commission has instructed the CAO and Mr. **FURIN** to set a date for the mural to be taken down and instruct the artist to comply by the date to be determined.

Mr. Tom **FAUGHNAN** announced that the Commission would meet in closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

The Commission entered into Closed Session at 4:03 p.m.

CS-1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Case: Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission, et al. v. Lynch, et al., BC 472814

Case: Thomas Roberts v. Go Ventures, Inc., et al., ADJ7196919

CS-2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4))

Initiation of litigation (one or more cases).

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Closed Session adjourned and Open Session reconvened at 4:24 p.m. with all voting members present.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

Mr. **FAUGHNAN** reported that there was no reportable action taken.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.



Secretary