

**GOLDEN GATE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD (GGCCAB)**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**04/06/2026**

**ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kaydee Tuff, Advisory Board Chairperson

Willie Brice III, Advisory Board Member

Lizzette Homar-Ramos, Advisory Board Member

Angela Richberg, Advisory Board Member

Constance Bettinger, Advisory Board Member

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Said Gomez, Interim-Regional Manager – Parks & Recreation

Brooke Roxberry, Operations Manager - Operations & Regulatory Management

Ray Coriano, GGCC Park Supervisor – Parks & Recreation, Advisory Board Facilitator

Mariah Bosetti, GGCC Customer Service Specialist II – Parks & Recreation, Advisory Board Recorder

**I. Call to Order**

Ms. Tuff called the Meeting to order at 6:08 pm.

**II. Attendance/Establish a Quorum**

Ms. Tuff took Roll Call. Ms. Richberg was not present due to an appointment. All other members were present. A quorum was established.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Brice led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

Ms. Tuff called for a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. Mr. Brice entered the motion; Ms. Bettinger seconded it. All members present were in favor. The motion was carried.

Mr. Coriano asked if the Advisory Board would allow him to add an Agenda Item under New Business. The new Agenda Item would be sub-A. of New Business, and the other Items would move down. Ms. Bettinger moved to accept the addition to the agenda; Mr. Brice seconded it. All members were in favor. The motion carried.

**V. Approval of Minutes – March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

Ms. Tuff called for a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026. Mr. Brice entered the motion; Ms. Bettinger seconded it. All members present were in favor. The motion was carried.

**VI. Public Comments**

There were no members of the public present for comment.

**VII. Monthly Budget Report**

Mr. Coriano provided the Budget overview for February.

**FY2026 Budget Amended: \$1,023,900.00**

**A. Revenues:**

1. **FY2026 Amended: \$780,500.00**
2. **Actual Monthly Revenues for GGCC: MARCH: \$54,459.35**
3. **FY2026 Total Actuals: \$836,081.08**
4. **Available: \$187,818.92**

We brought in \$29,000 in Revenues from Summer Camp registrations. We will see those numbers in April and May with the remaining payments for Camp.

**B. Operating Expenses:**

1. **FY2026 Amended: \$767,253.00**
2. **Actual Monthly Expenses for GGCC: FEBRUARY: \$42,108.51**
3. **FY2026 Total Actuals: \$336,163.13**
4. **Available: \$99,287.77**

**C. Reserve Funds: \$1,577,900.00**

There has been no change to the Reserve Fund.

**D. Current Upgrades & Future Purchases**

**1. Countertops (Front Desk & Concession Kitchen)**

Countertops were completed in the Concession Kitchen and Front Desk area. The cabinets in the Concession Kitchen and the front of the Front Desk are supposed to be painted. No time frame yet.

**2. Golf Utility Cart**

Mr. French signed off on the utility cart, and Mr. Coriano is waiting on Procurement.

Ms. Homar-Ramos asked where the utility cart would be parked.

Mr. Coriano stated that we would hopefully park it where we used to park the old one, right along the front entryway in the corner.

### **3. Laptop & Monitor Upgrades**

Mr. Coriano spoke with Mr. Ray Fuentes, Management Analyst - Operations & Regulatory Management (ORM), and he also spoke with Mr. Kevin Summers, Manager – Tech Systems Operations – ORM, regarding replacing staff laptops and updating monitors. No time frame on that yet.

### **4. Center's Floors & Lighting**

We had some issues with the track lighting in the Auditorium; we had been dealing with it for a while because the track/lights were old, and we were having trouble with compatibility. Someone complained about it to Commissioner Saunders, and Facilities came right out to work on it. They kept two of the old lights and added five new ones.

Ms. Bettinger entered the motion to accept the monthly Budget Report as presented by Mr. Coriano; Mr. Brice seconded it. All members present were in favor. The motion was carried.

## **VIII. Community Center & Wheels Park Facilities Updates**

Mr. Coriano gave updates on the following Community Center & Wheels Park Facilities projects.

### **A. Community Center:**

#### **1. Restroom Floors (Open Item)**

They started on the bathrooms last week out at Wheels. Once demolition is done, Facilities will get in there for their part. Ms. Tuff asked where we were on the covering of the under-sink area. Mr. Coriano stated that we had talked about possibly adding a section of angled PVC board to cover. Facilities will let us know what our options are once all the bathrooms are complete. We will need to submit a special request for that. They'll let us know what they can place; it would need to be ADA-compliant.

Mr. Gomez commented that the open under-sink was standard at other facilities, and there haven't really been any issues. Ms. Bettinger stated that it would still need to be ADA-compliant.

#### **2. Gym Floor (Open Item)**

Ms. Brooke Roxberry, Operations Manager – ORM, stated that about 20 vendors (including the original gym vendor) showed up with Dayne Atkinson, Project Manager – ORM, for bidding. The original installers recommended keeping the current floor as a subfloor due to the cost of removal and disposal. The quote came in significantly lower than the original we received. The quote includes cleaning of the baffles above the ceiling; they will do the lighting, painting, the Gym floors, the Gym and Auditorium stage floors, the wall pads, the backstops on all the basketball hoops, and refurbish the bleachers.

Ms. Bettinger asked what colors everything would be painted. Ms. Roxberry replied that the Advisory Board can choose any of the County-approved colors. Mr. Coriano stated that the color of the bleachers will remain the same, but he was leaning towards a darker gray for the floors.

Ms. Roxberry requested a motion from the Advisory Board to approve the quote made in Rio as presented, and also to approve presenting the necessary Budget amendments to the County Office of Management & Budget (OMB) and the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), because the cost would come from the Reserve Fund.

Ms. Bettinger asked whether there would be any issues with the Auditorium stage floor replacement if the Senior Center moved into the Auditorium. Will the stage floor be able to be replaced with them in residence? Ms. Roxberry stated that she had heard that they wouldn't be moving until January, but she would follow up with Facilities on that. Based on the lease agreement she originally reviewed, she has no intention of stopping their projects. As long as a Purchase Order (PO) is in place, we won't lose the contract, even if we have to push the project back six months.

Ms. Homar-Ramos asked for an explanation of the total. Ms. Roxberry stated that they wouldn't ever want to tie the Center to the whole quote. We say that the Advisory Board has determined that these items need to be done. Under 'Alternatively', it is basically us saying, should funding permit, we can do the lighting. It's us trying to do the whole project in one, but also not wasting a lot of time if the floors are so expensive that we can't do everything at once, because we do have other contractors who could do lines 9-11 at a later time, if we need to.

Ms. Bettinger moved to accept the quote as presented. Ms. Homar-Ramos seconded the motion. All members present were in favor. The motion was carried.

Ms. Bettinger put forward a motion to direct ORM to proceed with amendments to the Budget, presenting them to the County Office of Management & Budget and the Board of County Commissioners for the amount of \$210,117.93. Ms. Homar-Ramos seconded the motion. All members present were in favor. The motion passed.

Mr. Brice moved to amend the motion to state that the Advisory Board approved the use of Reserve Funds for the project.

The motion now reads: The Advisory Board moves to direct the County Office of Regulatory Management to move ahead with amendments to the Budget to present to the County Office of Management & Budget and to the Board of County Commissioners to utilize Reserve Funds for the project of \$210,117.93. Ms. Bettinger approved the amendment to the motion. Ms. Homar-Ramos seconded the motion. All members present were in favor. The amended motion passed.

Mr. Coriano asked Ms. Roxberry if this goes through; if so, we are looking at the project starting after Summer Camp is over. Ms. Roxberry confirmed they were looking at it after Camp. Mr. Coriano stated that his only concern would be voting. Ms. Roxberry stated that if they can get the PO in time, they would like to do the Auditorium stage first, so that it doesn't affect voting.

He has already talked to Mr. Scott Lilly, Producer – The Studio Players, regarding the August start date, so that he can work on getting all their stuff cleared out from backstage.

Ms. Roxberry asked the Advisory Board if they approved ORM, and to take the renaming of the gym to the BOCC for approval, so they could start getting quotes for the signage. Ms. Tuff stated that the Advisory Board would prefer a sign, similar to the one for Joan Jenks, over the Auditorium doors, rather than a plaque.

### **3. Shade Panel in Playground (Open Item)**

Ms. Roxberry stated that the County doesn't have a vendor that does maintenance of shade panels. She stated that ORM was seeking a County-wide contractor to maintain and repair shade panels.

### **4. Marquee Sign (Open Item)**

We received the proof from Lykins Signtek for the marquee sign cover. It shows that the hinge for the cover will be on top, and there will be gas struts on the sides of the cover to keep it open when changing the letters.

### **5. Irrigation System**

At the last meeting, we discussed opening a PO to get an assessment of the issue and what they would need to do to install a new irrigation system in the Open Field. Mr. Coriano asked the Advisory Board if this could remain as an Open Item on the Agenda. The Advisory Board agreed.

### **6. Airnasium**

We were talking about getting information on what it would take to get an engineer out for an assessment of the area. Ms. Roxberry stated that we can't get an engineer to review the plans until SDPA is finalized, because our current site plan doesn't call for an Airnasium. We would need to amend the site plan.

Ms. Tuff asked how that would happen. Ms. Roxberry stated that we would have to get an engineer for the SDAP to start. The cost of the SDPA is around \$50,000. The design cost for the Airnasium would probably be about 10% of the construction cost. They would be looking at an \$800,000-900,000 project. The only thing she would consider is updating the Master Plan for FY27. And they will assess the community's needs at that time. The Master Plan has to be solicited for. It plans the County's Capital Projects for the next five years. In addition, they conduct community outreach assessments to determine what the community wants in each area. Ms. Tuff stated that it would make sense if the County were paying for this, but we are willing to cover the cost ourselves from our Reserve Funds.

Mr. Brice stated that he spoke with Mr. Kyle Bregenzer, Supervisor – Max Hasse Community Park, and he said that the only real maintenance costs are for lighting. Mr. Gomez commented that things like pressure washing, etc., and other maintenance costs are generally low.

## **B. Wheels Skate & BMX Park**

### **1. Skate Park Maintenance (Open Item)**

We have a Purchase Order (PO) requested for Mr. Ben Johnson, RD Ramps, to work on the Skate Park. He has provided a quote for maintenance for this Fiscal Year.

### **2. BMX Track Turns (Open Item)**

Naples BMX is fine with the turns as they are; they will notify him if the quality of the turns degrades. Mr. Coriano requested that this item be closed out from the agenda. The Advisory Board agreed.

## **C. Senior Center Relocation Update**

There isn't anything new to report on this item. Ms. Roxberry stated that she could contact Facilities for any updates.

Ms. Bettinger requested that their Project Manager update the Advisory Board on project delays and related matters. She wants communication. Mr. Gomez stated that he would follow up with Mr. James Hanrahan, Division Director – Parks & Recreation, and get an update before the next meeting.

## **IX. Old Business**

Mr. Coriano gave updates on the following Old Business Agenda items:

### **A. Spring Fling Event**

Mr. Coriano played a video/picture presentation of the Spring Fling event, assembled by GGCC Program Leader, Ms. Carly Del Pozo. We had a little over 300 attendees at the event. We had some Advisory Board members come out to help us. We had about 10 kids from the Golden Gate High School Honor Society come out to help us with our volunteer work.

Ms. Bettinger wanted to comment on how amazing Mr. Coriano is at switching between languages, encouraging the kids during the egg hunt, and just keeping everything running smoothly. The staff are so nice to each other and to the kids; they are helping each other and being kind to each other in the heat. Everyone did a great job.

Ms. Homar-Ramos suggested that we have someone in an Easter Bunny suit for pictures. Mr. Coriano stated that we used to have a Shiro, Parks & Recreation, mascot costume, and that someone would go around in it.

## **B. Summer Camp Registrations & Hiring**

We have a good number of applicants for counselors; we've had 14 so far. We requested to have seven counselors this year. Right now, he knows that we have three returning counselors. We will start interviews for the other positions this week.

## **X. New Business**

Mr. Coriano gave updates on the following New Business Agenda items:

### **A. Advisory Board Public Comment Form**

Ms. Bettinger stated that, for the Fire Commission meeting, if you want to speak, you must fill out a comment form. The Advisory Board holds public meetings, and we are subject to the Sunshine Law; we should be doing this. At any County board meeting with public comment, they have forms you need to fill out to obtain a physical record of your presence at the meeting.

Mr. Coriano agreed that it was a great idea. For example, when Ms. Janis Elliott's family members came in to propose naming the gym. If we had their information, we could easily contact them for any future dedication ceremony. Ms. Tuff stated that she thought it would be a good idea to use the forms for public comment.

### **B. Board Member Special Event Assistance**

Whenever we have our next special event, Ms. Bettinger suggested that we have Advisory Board members attend in a support role, bringing water, information, and/or relief to staff, volunteers, and vendors.

### **C. Summer Camp Hiring**

Mr. Coriano stated he's in the process of scheduling potential candidates for Summer Camp Counselors. He requested a total of 7 counselors, and currently, there are approximately 12 candidates.

### **D. Summer Programs**

Aside from Camp, we will be running one session of the Intermediate/Advanced Volleyball Skills Clinic and one session of the Basketball Skills Clinic. Wheels will have three weeks of Extreme Sports Camp. He has also talked with staff about the possibility of moving dates and/or location for fall programs, with the Gym renovation starting after Summer Camp. He would likely be looking at the Airnasium at Max Hasse Community Park.

## **XI. Member Comments**

+Ms. Bettinger stated that during the Civic Association meetings, a group of kids on the playground was bouncing balls, which is really obnoxious. Is there any way that we can do something about it? Mr. Coriano stated that he was the one who went to the playground and asked the kids to move to a different location.

Ms. Bettinger also stated that we need a light that is aimed at the flag outside the building. Mr. Coriano stated that he had noticed it and spoke to the Facilities Electrician, who will be checking on it.

+Ms. Homar-Ramos stated that she would be absent from the July and August meetings due to a trip to Puerto Rico.

+Ms. Tuff stated that she has no comments.

+Mr. Brice stated that he wanted to apologize to Mr. Coriano for the way the Easter Bash was run on Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. They left a large pile of trash behind that Mr. Coriano and his staff had to clear. Other than how it ended, it was a good event. The kids from the church came at 1 pm, and there was a bounce house and a rock wall to climb.

**XII. Adjournment**

With no further topics for discussion, Ms. Tuff called for a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Ms. Bettinger entered the motion; Mr. Brice seconded the motion, and all members agreed. The Meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm.

Golden Gate Community Center Advisory Board

  
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Kaydee Tuff, Chairman

These minutes approved by the Board on 5/5/2025 as presented,  
or as amended \_\_\_\_\_.

Next Meeting, Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 6:00pm  
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