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3 MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
4 MINUTES
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6 **Regular Meeting**

7
8 November 18, 2009
9 5:00 p.m. – 2117 West River Rd.
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11 President Nordyke called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
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13 **ROLL CALL**

14 Present: Commissioners Walt Dziedzic, Bob Fine, Carol Kummer, Mary Merrill Anderson, Tracy
15 Nordstrom, Jon Olson, Scott Vreeland, Annie Young, and President Tom Nordyke - 9.
16 Absent: None - 0.
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18 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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20 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson -
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22 THAT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED BE APPROVED.

23 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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25 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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27 Vice President Merrill Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Vreeland -
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29 THAT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2009 REGULAR MEETING BE
30 APPROVED.

31 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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33 **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

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35 There were no "Reports of Officers" to be heard
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37 **CONSENT BUSINESS**

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39 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Kummer -
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41 2.1 THAT THE BOARD AMEND EXISTING CONTRACT NO. C-26638 WITH
42 KELBY BROTHEN, BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION
43 BY \$10,000 FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$55,000 FOR ADULT
44 SOCCER OFFICIATING SERVICES MARCH 2009 THROUGH DECEMBER
45 2009 (FUNDING AVAILABLE IN 2009 BUDGET).
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1 2.2 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH
2 OSIRIS ORGANIZATION FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT, STAFF TRAINING,
3 EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR THE COMPUTER LABS IN THE
4 RECREATION CENTERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,000 (BUDGETED
5 FUNDS).
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7 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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9 **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

10 **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

11 Commissioner S. Vreeland, Chair; Commissioners M. Merrill Anderson,
12 B. Fine, A. Young and J. Olson
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15 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Young -
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17 7.1 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR SPONSORSHIP OF
18 THE 2010 LAKE HARRIET CONCERT SERIES.
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20 Following discussion Commissioner Nordstrom moved, seconded by Vice President Merrill
21 Anderson -
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23 THAT THE BOARD AMEND ITEM 7.1 TO INCLUDE: SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
24 OF APPROPRIATE RECOGNITION BY THE STANDARDS AND CONDUCT
25 COMMITTEE.
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27 President Nordyke called the question on the motion to amend.
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29 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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31 President Nordyke called the question on the motion as amended.
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33 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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35 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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37 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Fine -
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39 8.1 THAT THE BOARD GIVE SECOND READING TO AND ADOPT
40 ORDINANCE 2009-103, CAPTIONED AS FOLLOWS:
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42 ORDINANCE 2009-103
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44 AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND
45 RECREATION BOARD CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO
46 DISEASED TREES AND THE MPRB AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY.
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1 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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3 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Vice President Merrill Anderson -

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5 8.2 **THAT THE BOARD AMEND THE BONDING REQUEST SUBMITTED TO**
6 **THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET FOR**
7 **REFURBISHMENT OF THE MINNEAPOLIS SCULPTURE GARDEN AND**
8 **COWLES CONSERVATORY TO \$8.5 MILLION DOLLARS.**

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10 President Nordyke called upon and introduced Olga Viso, Director and Phillip Bahar, Chief of
11 Operations and Administration of the Walker Art Center. Ms. Viso provided an overview and
12 background to the bonding request for refurbishment of the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden and
13 Cows Conservatory. During the presentation Ms. Viso responded to questions by the
14 Commissioners. Ms. Viso then introduced Mr. Bahar who outlined the specifics of the project
15 what the bonding request would cover.

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17 President Nordyke called upon lobbyist Brian Rice to update the Board on Legislative activities
18 since the Board approved the original bonding request.

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20 Commissioner Kummer moved, seconded by Commissioner Fine -

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22 **THAT THE BOARD AMEND RESOLUTION 2009-154 BY REMOVING THE**
23 **LANGUAGE: NUMBERED IN ORDER OF THE BOARD'S PRIORITIES.**

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25 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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27 Ms. Viso, Mr. Bahar and Mr. Rice responded to questions and comments by the Board.

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29 President Nordyke called the question on the motion as amended.

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31 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote (Commissioner Young Abstained).**

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33 Commissioner Olson moved, seconded by Commissioner Young -

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35 **THAT THE BOARD SUSPEND THE RULES AND HOLD DISCUSSION ITEM 1**
36 **AFTER ITEMS 9.1 AND 9.2**

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38 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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40 **NEW BUSINESS**

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42 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson -

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44 9.1 **THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY AT**
45 **1606 NORTH 49TH AVENUE AND THAT THE BOARD DIRECT STAFF TO**
46 **CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE AVAILABILITY OF THE ADJACENT**
47 **HOUSES ON 49TH AVE AND MAKE OFFERS TO ACQUIRE THOSE**

1 PROPERTIES PENDING THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING AND THE
2 BOARD'S APPROVAL.

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4 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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6 Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner Vreeland -

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8 9.2 THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION
9 FOR WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDING TO
10 CONGRESSMAN OBERSTAR'S OFFICE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO
11 EXCEED \$5,000,000.

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13 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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15 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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17 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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19 Report of hydroelectric power plant – public ownership feasibility

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21 President Nordyke called upon General manager Don Siggelkow, who began the presentation by
22 outlining the outcome of the August 5th Planning Committee. Judd Rietkerk, Director Planning and
23 Project Management outlined results to a survey. Following the staff presentation discussion of
24 hydroelectric power continued amongst the Commissioners.

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26 **OPEN TIME**

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28 There was no one wishing to speak during “Open Time”.

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30 **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

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32 1.1 Thank you letter dated October 8, 2009 from VJ Smith, President, Minneapolis MAD
33 DADS to Cordell Wiseman, River District Manager regarding Senior Safety Pride Day.

34 **PLACED ON FILE**

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36 1.2 Letter dated October 30, 2009 from Congressman Keith Ellison to the Minneapolis Park
37 and Recreation Board regarding the Grand Rounds and the nation's premier park system.

38 **PLACED ON FILE**

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40 1.3 Summary of Disability Awareness Training dated November 10, 2009 submitted by Toby
41 Broadrick, Therapeutic Recreation Specialist.

42 **PLACED ON FILE**

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44 1.4 Email dated November 12, 2009 from Sgt. D. Fred McCormick regarding phishing
45 attempts at Recreation Centers to create advertising mailing lists.

46 **PLACED ON FILE**

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1 Commissioners reported on communications received and activities that have taken place since
2 the November 4, 2009 Regular meeting.

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4 Copies of communications submitted by Commissioners are made part of the Board's permanent
5 record.

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7 **ADJOURNMENT**

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9 The time being 6:53 p.m. Vice President Merrill Anderson moved seconded by Commissioner
10 Vreeland -

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12 THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

13 **Action Taken: Approved on a Voice Vote. Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.**