



SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND

STEERING COMMITTEE

REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING

Oroville City Hall – Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

APRIL 26, 2023

2:00 PM

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Committee Members (voting): Sonny Brandt, FRRPD, David Pittman (Chairperson), City of Oroville; Krysi Riggs, City of Oroville; Shannon DeLong (Vice Chairperson), FRRPD; Tracy Johnstone, City of Oroville

Advisory Members (non-voting): Committee Members Eric See, Andrew Baumbauer (Alternate) - DWR; Jonathan Young - SWC, Steve Rothert, Dave Steindorf (alternate) - American Rivers; Mark Grover, Claudia Knaus (alternate) - Chamber of Commerce; Aaron Wright – California State Parks

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Committee may approve the Minutes of January 25, 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the minutes of January 25, 2023

2. RECEIVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Committee will receive the current financial reports.

RECOMMENDATION

Informational only.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

This is the time to address the Committee about any item not listed on the agenda. If you wish to address the Committee on an item listed on the agenda, please follow the directions listed above.

REGULAR BUSINESS

3. SELECTION OF A PARKS & TRAILS AD HOC COMMITTEE

The SBF Chairperson will select members.

RECOMMENDATION

The SBF Chairperson will select one committee member from the City of Oroville and one committee member from FRRPD and establish the frequency of ad hoc committee meetings.

4. DRAFT LETTERS TO SBF SUPPORTING AGENCIES

The SBF Committee will discuss the draft letters to the SBF Supporting Agencies.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss the letters and provide any suggested changes to them.

STEERING COMMITTEE ADVISORY MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS

- **DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES ADVISOR REPORT** (Eric See)
- **STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ADVISOR REPORT** (Jonathan Young)
- **SBF PROGRAM SPECIALIST WRITTEN REPORT** (Bob Marciniak)

SBF CHAIRPERSON CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS

The SBF Chairperson will request agenda items from the Steering Committee, SBF Advisors, and SBF Staff for the July 26, 2023 Regular Quarterly Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting will be adjourned. The next regular quarterly meeting of the Supplemental Benefits Fund Steering Committee will be held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

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SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND STEERING COMMITTEE REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING

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**JANUARY 25, 2023
MINUTES**

This agenda was posted on January 20, 2023. This meeting was recorded and may be viewed at cityoforoville.org or on YouTube.

Prior to the meeting, Victoria Anton FRRPD General Manager provided printed updated information regarding the Brad Freeman Trail project. It included a revised cost estimate of \$598,865.30 which includes a 10% contingency and an additional 10% adjustment reflective of the current bidding climate.

CALL TO ORDER – Cecilia Carmona, Meeting Clerk, called the meeting to order and announced the 2023 Voting Members appointed in accordance of Appendix B of the Settlement Agreement for the Oroville Project No. 2100 by the City of Oroville and Feather River Recreation & Parks District.

David Pittman, City of Oroville; Scott Thompson, City of Oroville, Shannon DeLong, FRRPD and Sonny Brandt, FRRPD. The City of Oroville will announce their third representative at the April 23, 2023 SBF Steering Committee meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Bob Marciniak, MCS/SBF

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Committee Members (voting): Sonny Brandt, FRRPD, David, City of Oroville; Shannon DeLong, FRRPD

ABSENT: Committee Members (voting): Scott Thompson, City of Oroville

PRESENT: Advisory Members (non-voting): Aaron Wright – California State Parks (via Zoom)

ABSENT: Committee Members (non-voting): Committee Members Eric See - DWR; Mark Grover - Chamber of Commerce, Jonathan Young -SWC

STAFF: Consultant Bob Marciniak, Senior Administrative Assistant, Cecilia Carmona

OTHERS: Krysi Riggs, Councilmember, City of Oroville (Note: it was explained that she would not be able to vote on any measure presented). Victoria Anton, General Manager FRRPD.

REGULAR BUSINESS

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON

The Committee will elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the 2023 calendar year as outlined in Resolution No. 06-1.

After discussion, nomination of David Pittman for 2023 Chairperson was made by Committee Member Brandt and seconded by Committee Member DeLong. The motion passed.

After discussion, nomination of Shannon DeLong for 2023 Vice Chairperson was made by Chairperson Pittman and seconded by Committee Member Brandt. The motion passed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The SBF Steering Committee may approve the minutes of October 26, 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the minutes of October 26, 2022.

4. SBF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

The prior quarterly and year to date revenues and expenditures was provided for informational purposes.

RECOMMENDATION

Informational only

Motion by Vice Chairperson DeLong and second by Chairperson to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no speakers.

REGULAR BUSINESS (continued)

5. REQUEST FROM OROVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR 2023 FUNDING.

Item 1.

The Oroville Area Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) has requested consideration for funding in the amount of \$30,000 from unallocated SBF funds.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve 2023 Chamber of Commerce Funding Agreement (or) provide direction to staff.

After a presentation by Amber Miland (Chamber) of how the previously approved 2022 funds were used and further committee discussion the following motion was made:

Vice Chairperson, DeLong and seconded by Chairperson Pittman, that based on the Regional Fund Strategic Plan that defines SBF funds provided to the Chamber as 6% of the annual DWR amount provided to the SBF, and due to the fact that the FERC license has not been approved, 6% of \$135,000 which represents \$8,100 of 2023 of funds that the SBF will receive from DWR will be provided to the Chamber. Motion passed.

6. 2023 CALL FOR IDEAS AND PROJECTS

The SBF Steering Committee will be provided information from the 2023 Call for Ideas and Projects that was released on November 17, 2022. The direction to the public for submittals limited the requests to projects specifically for Parks & Trails that would benefit one, or more, defined areas within the Feather River Conceptual Plan (RFCP).

1. (Idea) Maintenance & improvement of portions of the Brad Freeman Trail.
2. (Project) South-end Riverbend Dog Park.
3. (Project) South-end Riverbend Ponds & Improvements.
4. (Project) Riverbend Park main playground.
5. (Project) Riverbend Park toddler play structure & shaded picnic area.
6. (Project) Riverbend Park additional parking lot & foot trail.
7. (Project) Riverbend Park Safety & Security.
8. (Project) Nature Center Trail additional allocation to an existing SBF grant.
9. (Project) Disc Golf Course at south-end of Riverbend Park.

RECOMMENDATION

- (1) Receive and discuss information about the eight (8) projects/ideas and (1) idea submitted.
- (2) Provide approval to one or more of the submitted proposals with or without a matching funds requirement.
- (3) Deny approval to one or more of the submitted proposals.
- (4) Request additional information.

After discussion a motion was made by Vice Chairperson Delong and seconded by Chairperson Pittman to provide \$150,000 towards the request from Feather River Recreation & Park District for additional funds for the Brad Freeman Trail project. Motion passed.

STEERING COMMITTEE ADVISORY MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS

Committee Member Brandt expressed concern that all of the advisory members were not in attendance. Consultant Marciniak clarified that they all had received the agenda and that DWR had responded that they would not be able to attend the meeting and that California State Parks was on the zoom call.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES ADVISOR REPORT – absent

- Raquel Borrayo, Information Officer II f the DWR Oroville Field Division was in attendance and provided information regarding lake levels and current community related projects.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE PARKS ADVISOR REPORT – A report was not provided.

STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ADVISOR REPORT – absent

OROVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – absent

AMERICAN RIVERS - absent

SBF PROGRAM SPECIALIST (Consultant, Bob Marciniak) a written report is provided monthly to the Steering Committee & Advisors.

Approved Projects underway & not fully funded:

- Brad Freeman Trail (below the Veterans Memorial to the Feather River Nature Center/FRRPD (Received updated cost estimates and additional information from Melton Design Group, completion late 2023 dependent on FRRPD acquiring additional funding)
- ODBA/Event Coordinator (completion 2022)
- Oroville Chamber of Commerce/Tourism Marketing (2022) (completion late 2022)
- ODBA/Renovate Minors Alley (completion late 2022)
- Light up the Green Bridge/Rotary Club of Oroville: Information about this project can be obtained by clicking on the following link: www.OrovilleLights.com

SBF CHAIRPERSON CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS .

- Establish an ad-hoc Parks & Trails Committee
- Direction was given to the consultant to:
 - Prepare a draft letter to DWR regarding better partnership and requesting additional information about the fenced areas adjacent to the Diversion pool area.
 - Prepare a draft letter to State Parks regarding the need for better partnership and the conditions of the existing trails.
 - Prepare a draft letter to SWC regarding funding for a grant writer.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Pittman adjourned the meeting at 3:17 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Supplemental Benefits fund Committee will be on, Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 2:00pm in the Council Chambers of Oroville City Hall.

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Chairperson David Pittman

Assistant City Clerk Jackie Glover

**SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND STEERING COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

TO: SBF CHAIRPERSON & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FROM: BRIAN RING, SBF FUND ADMISTRATOR
BOB MARCINIAK, (MCS) SBF PROGRAM SPECIALIST

RE: **SBF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

DATE: April 26, 2023

SUMMARY

The Finance Department of the City of Oroville (Fund Administrator) maintains all SBF financial records.

DISCUSSION

This is an informational only report that reflects, income, expenses, closed and open encumbrances and the current unencumbered SBF fund balance.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Informational only

ATTACHMENTS

Financial summary reports

**SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND
CASH FLOW PROJECTION
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23**

Balance forward	7/1/2022	714,468.42
Expenditures on Projects		
Oro Veterans Memorial Park	Oro Veterans Memorial Park	92,098.00
Feather River Center	Develop/ Purchase Equipment	16,262.09
Oroville Downtown Business Assn	Renovate Miners Alley	18,031.05
Oro Veterans Memorial Park	Oro Veterans Memorial Park	35,073.00
YMCA	Pool & locker room restoration	75,000.00
Oroville Chamber of Commerce	Tourism Marketing 2022	7,649.96
Oroville Chamber of Commerce	Tourism Marketing 2023	560.00
Oroville Chamber of Commerce	2022 Fireworks allocation	3,252.65
	Sub total expended on projects	<u>247,926.75</u>
Encumbrances (obligated projects):		
Feather River Recreation & Park	Brad Freeman Trail	387,299.59
Oroville Downtown Business Assn	Event Coordinator Service	4,500.00
Oroville Downtown Business Assn	Renovate Miners Alley	36,968.95
Oroville Chamber of Commerce	Tourism Marketing 2022	22,350.04
Rotary	Lighting of Table Mountain Bridge	100,000.00
Oroville Chamber of Commerce	Tourism Marketing 2023	8,100.00
	Sub total of encumbered projects	<u>559,218.58</u>
Other Budgetary items:		
Robert Marciniak	Consulting Services	9,600.00
Other	Supplies and Outside services	10,500.00
	Sub total of other items	<u>20,100.00</u>
	Revenues for 2022 23	135,000.00
	Interest	4,688.09
	Projected unassigned funds	<u><u>26,911.18</u></u>

**Supplemental Benefits Fund (SBF)
Revenues and Expenditures
Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Revenues													
DWR Stlmnt Proceeds			2,188				2,500		135,000				139,688
Interest			\$ 2,188	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 139,688
Total Reven.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,188	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 139,688
Expenses													
Office Supplies	16	19	5	12	3	3	69	36	33				193
Grants			18,031	147,258	7,078	75,000			560				247,927
Advertising							255						255
Outside services	800		1,600	800	800	800	-	1,600	800				7,200
Cost Allocation						2,500							2,500
Total Expenses	\$ 816	\$ 19	\$ 19,636	\$ 148,070	\$ 7,878	\$ 78,303	\$ 324	\$ 1,636	\$ 1,393	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 258,075

Supplemental Benefits Fund (SBF)
Budget to Actual Expense Analysis 2022-2023

<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>Budget Variance</u>
Advertising	500	255	245
Office Supplies	2,000	193	1,807
Other Supplies	3,000	-	3,000
Grants	690,400	247,927	442,473
Outside Services	9,600	7,200	2,400
Interfund Transfers	5,000	2,500	2,500
Totals:	<u>710,500</u>	<u>258,075</u>	<u>452,425</u>

**SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND STEERING COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

TO: SBF CHAIRPERSON & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FROM: BRIAN RING, SBF FUND ADMISTRATOR
BOB MARCINIAK, (MCS) SBF PROGRAM SPECIALIST

RE: ESTABLISH AN AD HOC PARKS AND TRAILS COMMITTEE

DATE: April 26, 2023

SUMMARY

The SBF Chairperson will appoint representatives to a Parks and Trails ad hoc committee.

DISCUSSION

To assure communication between the SBF and the agencies responsible for Parks and Trails the SBF Chairperson will establish an ad hoc Parks and Trails Committee comprised of one representative from the City of Oroville, one representative from Feather River Recreation & Park District, one representative from DWR and one representative from California State Parks.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Establish the ad hoc committee and appoint the members and set the first meeting date.

ATTACHMENTS

None

SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND STEERING COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

TO: SBF CHAIRPERSON & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FROM: BRIAN RING, SBF FUND ADMINISTRATOR
BOB MARCINIAK, (MCS) SBF PROGRAM SPECIALIST

RE: DRAFT LETTERS TO SBF SUPPORTING AGENCIES

DATE: April 26, 2023

SUMMARY

The Committee will receive information regarding draft letters to the SBF supporting agencies.

DISCUSSION

At the January 25, 2023 SBF meeting staff was instructed to prepare draft letters to, California State Parks (concerns regarding trails), Department of Water Resources (encouragement to pursue the final license and continue with area improvements related to the Settlement Agreement, and State Water Contractors (promised grant assistance).

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Informational only, waiting for Legal review before sending to the agencies.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft letter to California State Parks
2. Draft letter to Department of Water Resources
3. Draft letter to State Water Contractors



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April 26, 2023

Eric See
 Department of Water Resources (DWR)
 460 Glenn Drive
 Oroville, CA 95966

Dear Eric,

We are writing to express our concern and encouragement of DWR continuing to actively pursue a final license approval from the Federal Energy Regulation Commission (FERC) for the Oroville Project No. 2100. At this time all pre-approval funds have been released to the SBF. We are thankful that has occurred, however in the spirit of the Settlement Agreement it is crucial that the FERC approval be granted to continue to allow funding for recreation and economic stimulus projects in the Greater Oroville Area (GOA).

The SBF Steering Committee in 2017 issued a comprehensive Feather River Conceptual Plan with six identified “reaches” to ensure that funds ultimately provided by DWR would be used for the best benefit of the GOA. One area of extreme interest is improving parking, water access and a future Equestrian Event Area near the Fish Barrier Pool. DWR has undertaken some of the improvements, however much more is needed. It is also our understanding that DWR is using some of the land for equipment storage.

The " Highlights of the Settlement Agreement for Licensing Brochure" that DWR issued, shortly after the Settlement Agreement was signed detailed, the following improvements that would be made at, or near, the Diversion Pool Area:

- Provide an ADA-accessible fishing pier or platform at the Diversion Pool.
- Provide additional picnic facilities at the Diversion Pool.
- Create Vehicle access to the Diversion Pool at Lakeland Boulevard.
- Construction a new shoreline day use area at Lakeland Boulevard.
- Enhance existing (west shore) car-top boat ramp and add a new car-top boat ramp at the Lakeland Boulevard (east shore) access area.
- Develop a non-motorized Sewim Bo Trail in the Low Flow Channel Area (completed).
- Provide interpretive signs at the Feather River Fish Hatchery Day Use Area and along the Sewim Bo Trail (completed).
- Enhance existing non-motorized boater put-in at the Feather River Fish Hatchery Day Use Area s part of the proposed Feather River Non-Motorized Boating Trail.

These are just some of multiple pages of planned improvements throughout the Greater Oroville Area and as we continue into the seventeenth year of waiting for the final FERC approval, the SBF Steering Committee encourages DWR to perhaps find alternative ways to fund or complete some, or all, of the projects.

The initial approval of the Oroville Dam Project in 1968 contained many promises for improvements, recreational and economic stimulus for the Greater Oroville Area. Unfortunately, as we are all aware many of those did not materialize. The 2006 Settlement Agreement was very specific and addressed improvements, recreational and economic stimulus for the Greater Oroville Area. Our major concern is that the pro-longed FERC approval for the Oroville Project No. 2100 could weaken what has been planned and promised once again.

Sincerely,

David Pittman
Chairperson, SBF Steering Committee



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April 26, 2023

Aaron Wright
California State Parks
400 Glenn Drive
Oroville, Ca 95966

Dear Aaron,

I am writing to you concerning the conditions of many of the trails in the Greater Oroville Area that are under the maintenance of California State Parks.

Several of the trails are not being properly maintained, rocks in the walk-ways, thistle or other invasive plants with thorns that are playing havoc on bicycle tires and peoples tennis shoes. The trail above the Oroville Nature Center, thru the tunnels and past the Diversion Pool are most concerning. We understand that you are understaffed, however we would like to have a copy of your maintenance schedule and any near-future plans. As we approach the Spring/Summer seasons many more people will want to make use of these trails. It is our understanding that a mile maker and interpretative signs were to be installed on the trails maintained by California State Parks. Has that been accomplished?

The SBF Steering Committee at it's next quarterly meeting will be establishing a parks and trails committee and would like you to be an active member of it.

Sincerely,

David Pittman, SBF Chairperson



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April 26, 2023

Jonathan Young
State Water Contractors
1121 L Street Suite 1050
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Jonathan,

I am writing you on behalf of the SBF Steering Committee regarding the State Water Contractors commitment, per the Settlement Agreement for the Oroville Project No. 2100, to provide assistance and funding for finding additional grants to augment funds provided by the Department of Water Resources.

Below is an excerpt from Appendix B, Measures Agreed to Among the Parties But Not to be Included in the New Project License:

Pursuit of Grant Funds by SWC and Steering Committee 1.0 The State Water Contractors (SWC), and the Steering Committee, agree to form a partnership,' the goals of which are to (1) solicit grant funds in addition to those made available under Section E. above, and (2) obtain grant funds to supplement the Fund such that the future purchasing ability of the proposed annual payments will at least keep pace with inflation. 2.0 To accomplish this, the SWC agree to use best efforts to: 2.1 develop a grant assistance program aimed at securing funding in an amount equal to or greater than the amount needed to keep pace with inflation; 2.2 work with the Fund Administrator in exploring various political avenues that may be a productive source of various grants; 2.3 work with the Fund Administrator by making available appropriately qualified in-house staff trained in locating, researching, evaluating, and writing grant

proposals for effective fundraising; and 2.4 make available staff resources in an amount not to exceed 50 percent time of one FTE. The staffing for obtaining grant funding will be in effect until five years prior to the expiration of the new license.

In previous discussions with SWC in 2015-2016, pending the issuance of the FERC License, SWC agreed to pursue a funding arrangement for the Fund Administrator to either hire a part-time grant writer or to explore the costs of using a grant writing service.

The FERC License remains not approved, advance funds to the SBF Steering Committee have now all been made, and the next avenue of finding and sourcing funds may be in the utilization of a grant writing service.

In 2017 the SBF commissioned and approved the, Feather River Conceptual Plan (FRCP), A Vision for the future of the Low Flow Channel of the Feather River. The FRCP provides extensive information about how future funds from DWR/SWC could be utilized to the upmost benefit for the Greater Oroville Area. If you do not have a copy of the FRCP please click on the following link for full details. [636923881641630000 \(cityoforoville.org\)](https://www.cityoforoville.org/636923881641630000)

We would like to begin a dialog to ensure that the grant assistance funding promised by SWC occurs either prior to, or at the FERC license approval.

Sincerely,

David Pittman
SBF Chairperson