

**BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY
RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT (BCVRPD)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
REVISED 4/27/2026**

Monday, April 27th, 2026
Special Meeting: 5:30p.m.
Noble Creek Community Center
390 W. Oak Valley Parkway,
Beaumont, CA 92223



Chair
Janet Covington

Vice Chair/Secretary
John Flores

Treasurer
Chris Diercks

Directors
Dan Hughes
Christian Linnemann

General Manager
Mickey Valdivia

General Counsel
Albert Maldonado
BB&K

This meeting is being held in person.

REGULAR SESSION:

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 Roll Call
- 1.2 Invocation: Director Flores
- 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Treasurer Diercks

2. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

3. INFORMATIONAL UPDATES/DISCUSSION:

- 3.1. Discuss Legal Options to Fill Board Vacancy and Seek Board Direction

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 4.1. Approval to Purchase Concrete for \$7,542.50 for Walkway Behind Field 3

5. ACTION ITEMS/BIDS & PUBLIC HEARING/REQUESTS:

- 5.1. Approval to Create an Ad-Hoc Committee Recognizing Dan Hughes
- 5.2. Approval to Update 2026 Committee Assignments to Fill Vacancies

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Any person with a disability who requires accommodation to participate in the meeting should telephone Kaylee Fuerte at 951-845-9555, prior to the meeting to make a request for a disability-related modification or accommodation.

DECLARATION OF POSTING: I declare under penalty of perjury, that I am employed by Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park District, and the foregoing agenda was posted at the District office and District website April 23rd, 2026.

Kaylee Fuerte

Kaylee Fuerte, Clerk of the Board

Staff Report

Agenda Item 3.1

To: Board of Directors
From: Albert Maldonado, General Counsel
Date: April 27, 2026
Subject: Notification of Vacancy / Process of Filling Board Vacancy

Background and Analysis

In a tragic turn of events, Director Dan Hughes died unexpectedly on Wednesday, April 15, 2026. Effective April 15, 2026, there was a created a vacancy on Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park District Board of Directors (“Board”), and consequently also a vacancy on the Beaumont Cherry-Valley Recreation and Park Improvement Corporation.

California Public Resources Code Section 5784.3(d) states that vacancies of elected board members of recreation and park districts shall be filled pursuant to the procedures in California Government Code Section 1780.

Government Code Section 1780(c) states that the remaining board members of a recreation and park district may fill the vacancy by appointment or by calling a special election.

Appointment

According to Government Code Section 1780(d), if the Board decides to fill the vacancy by appointment, the Board shall:

“make the appointment pursuant to this subdivision within 60 days after either the date on which the district board is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later. The district shall post a notice of the vacancy in three or more conspicuous places in the district at least 15 days before the district board makes the appointment. The district shall notify the county elections official of the appointment no later than 15 days after the appointment.

(2) If the vacancy occurs in the first half of a term of office and at least 130 days prior to the next general district election, the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall hold office until the next general district election that is scheduled 130 or more days after the date the district board is notified of the vacancy, and thereafter until the person who is elected at that election to fill the vacancy has been qualified. The person elected to fill the vacancy shall hold office for the unexpired balance of the term of office.”

The District has already notified the County Registrar of Voters by written correspondence on Friday, April 24, 2026 of this vacancy. June 14, 2026

Dan Hughes passed away during the first half of his term of office and there are more than 130 days until the next general district election in November 2026. Thus, any appointment to fill the vacancy would only last until November 2026 at which time there would be an election for that

seat. The advertisement of a notice of vacancy would need to be posted at least 15 days before the date the Board intends to make the appointment, and the appointment be made by June 14, 2026.

If the Board desired to make the appointment at its next regular Board meeting on May 13, 2026, the District would need to post the notice of vacancy in three or more conspicuous places in the District by close of business tomorrow, April 28, 2026 to allow for 15 days before the regular Board meeting. The Board can consider alternative dates, at either its regular Board meeting on June 10, 2026, or at a special Board meeting before June 14, 2026. I will be out of town on June 10, 2026 and would need to participate remotely.

The Board could interview candidates for appointment and/or make the appointment at a regular or special Brown Act meeting.

Calling Special Election

According to Government Code Section 1780(e), if the Board decides to fill the vacancy by special election, the Board shall:

“within 60 days of the date the district board is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later, call an election to fill the vacancy.

(2) The election called pursuant to this subdivision shall be held on the next established election date provided in Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1000) of Division 1 of the Elections Code that is 130 or more days after the date the district board calls the election.”

This option would mean that the Board decides to leave the vacant seat vacant until the November, 2026 election, as the November, 2026 election would be the next viable election date.

November 2026 Elections – Two Options

Option 1 – Do Not Amend Ordinance 2025-01

Ordinance 2025-01 changed the District’s at-large election system to a by-division elections system for electing members of the Board of Directors commencing with the Board elections in November 2026. The Ordinance establishes the following sequencing of elections: In November 2026, Directors shall be elected in Divisions 3 and 4. In November 2028, Directors shall be elected in Divisions 1, 2, and 5. The Ordinance states: “If any vacancies in Director offices elected at-large occur before expiration of the full term thereof, such vacancies shall be filled according to law from the District at-large.”

Dan Hughes was elected at-large in November 2024 to a 4-year term. His seat is set to be transformed to a by-division seat in November 2028 in the newly formed District 1.

If the Board does not amend its Ordinance, then the Board can, by June 14, 2026, appoint someone from the District at-large to fill the vacancy. The appointed member would serve until someone is elected in November 2026 from the District at-large to serve a 2-year term to complete the rest of the original 4-year term. Then in November 2028, there would be an election in the newly formed District 1 for someone from that District 1 to serve a 4-year term.

Option 2 – Amend Ordinance 2025-01 to Amend Elections Sequencing

Alternatively, the Board could entertain amending its Ordinance to move up the election sequencing of the District 1 election. The amendment to the Ordinance would not affect the geographical map boundaries at all. The Board could, by June 14, 2026, appoint someone from the District at-large to serve until the November 2026 election is conducted and a successor elected.

Then the Board could begin the process of amending its Ordinance to amend the sequencing of the District 1 by-division election to begin in November 2026 instead of November 2028. This is a unique legal issue that state law does not directly address. The District has a strong legal basis to consider amending its Ordinance given that it would be coming into compliance with state law on a faster timeline that originally anticipated and given that there is no vested right in maintaining a certain vacant elected seat at-large for another 2.5 years.

There can be financial and logistical benefits if the District moved up the sequencing to have the District 1 4-year election in November 2026 instead of November 2028.

If the Board wants to amend its Ordinance to move up the sequencing, I would recommend the following timeline of events, considering that I would recommend holding 2 public hearings to amend the Ordinance to stay consistent with the spirit of state law when amending maps and changing sequencing of elections. Since no maps are being adopted or amending, there is no need to conduct 2 pre-map public hearings. Conducting 2 post-map draft public hearings would be legally sufficient. Government Code Section 25131 states that Ordinances, except for urgency ordinances which this Ordinance would not be, may only be adopted at regular board meetings or adjourned regular meetings, not special meetings.

By Friday, May 1, 2026, the District should post a notice of public hearing for a first reading of an ordinance to amend the sequencing of elections to have a by-division election in the newly formed Division 1 in November 2026.

On Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at the Board's regular meeting, conduct the public hearing and conduct the first reading of the Ordinance.

By Friday, May 29, 2026, the District should post a notice of public hearing for the second reading and adoption of an Ordinance to amend the sequencing of elections to have a by-division election in the newly formed Division 1 in November 2026.

On June 10, 2026, at the Board's regular meeting, conduct the public hearing and conduct the second reading of the Ordinance and consider adopting the Ordinance. According to Government Code Section 36937 Ordinances relating to an election takes effect immediately. Even if this Ordinance was not related to an election, it would take effect 30 days after adoption, which would mean July 10, 2026, which is just before the time that the period for pulling papers to run for an election would open.

Recommendation

That the Board provide direction to staff and/or the general counsel regarding:

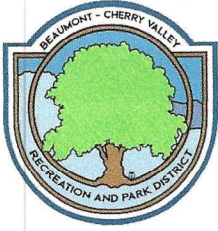
- (1) Whether it desires to fill the vacancy by appointment or by calling a special election by June 14, 2026.
 - (a) If the Board desires to fill the vacancy by appointment, set a date at which the appointment will be made, so that staff can post the legal notices announcing the vacancy and setting the date for the meeting.
- (2) Whether it desires to amend Ordinance 2025-01 to move up the election sequencing of the District 1 election to November 2026 to have an election in Division 1 for a 4-year term.

Fiscal Impact

Filling the vacancy by appointment would have only marginal costs in staff time and resources to advertise the vacancy and to perhaps hold a special meeting(s) to conduct interviews and/or appoint a replacement.

Filling the vacancy by calling for a special election could cost the District thousands of dollars, perhaps even over one hundred thousand dollars.

Amending Ordinance 2025-01 could save the District thousands of dollars also by reducing by 1 the number of elections that need to be held by eliminating the need for a short-term 2-year term election be conducted in November 2026.



BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY

RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

BY E-MAIL (rovweb@rivco.org; atinoco@rivco.org) AND REGULAR MAIL

April 24, 2026

Art Tinoco
Riverside County Registrar of Voters
2720 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

Re: Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park District – Notice of Board Vacancy

Dear Mr. Tinoco:

On behalf of the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park District (“BCVRPD”), I am writing to inform you of a vacancy on the BCVRPD Board of Directors, pursuant to Government Code section 1780(b) which provides:

“The district shall notify the county elections official of the vacancy no later than 15 days following either the date on which the district board is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later.”

On April 15, 2026, one of the elected BCVRPD Directors, Mr. Dan Hughes, unfortunately and unexpectedly passed away, creating a board vacancy. The BCVRPD Board of Directors will fill the vacancy within 60 days of this date as set forth in Government Code Section 1780.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Michael Valdivia

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park District, General Manager



Staff Report

Agenda Item No. **4.1.**

To: Board of Directors
From: Deidre Chatigny, Assistant General Manager/HR Administrator
Via: Mickey Valdivia, General Manager
Date: April 27th, 2026
Subject: Approval to Purchase Concrete for \$7,542.50 for Walkway Behind Field 3

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board of Directors approve payment in the amount of \$7,542.50 for the concrete associated with the completed construction of the new walkway located behind Field 3 at Noble Creek Regional Park.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

The Beaumont Lions Club completed a community improvement project involving the construction of a concrete walkway behind Field 3 at Noble Creek Regional Park. The walkway was successfully poured on Saturday of Easter weekend and is now in place, providing a direct connection to the existing Meadow sidewalk and improving accessibility and pedestrian flow within the park.

The project was completed as a community service effort, with the Beaumont Lions Club contributing labor and coordination at no cost to the District.

While labor was donated, the District is responsible for the cost of materials necessary to complete the walkway. The total cost for the concrete is \$7,542.50.

The addition of this walkway:

- Improves pedestrian access and connectivity within the park
- Enhances safety by providing a defined walking path
- Supports community use and accessibility improvements

This partnership with the Beaumont Lions Club represents a cost-effective approach to enhancing park infrastructure while fostering community involvement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact for this request is \$7,542.50, which will be allocated from the Quimby Account.

Respectfully,

Deidre Chatigny
Assistant General Manager/HR Administrator



Staff Report

Agenda Item No. **5.1.**

To: Board of Directors
From: Kaylee Fuerte, Clerk of the Board
Via: Mickey Valdivia, General Manager
Date: April 27th, 2026
Subject: Approval to Create an Ad-Hoc Committee Recognizing Dan Hughes

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board of Directors discuss and provide direction on the formation of an Ad-Hoc Committee to develop recommendations for honoring Director Dan Hughes.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

Director Dan Hughes served the District with dedication and commitment for 23 years. He was deeply community-driven, and throughout his service, his decisions and actions consistently reflected what was in the best interest of the community. His contributions have had a lasting impact on the organization, its programs, and the residents it serves.

Following his passing, the District would like to formally recognize his years of service and honor his legacy in a meaningful and appropriate way.

Potential recognition concepts may include, but are not limited to:

- Naming or dedication of a facility, space, or program
- Installation of a plaque or memorial
- Community recognition event or ceremony
- Scholarship, program, or initiative in his name
- Golf/Bowling tournament

Formation of an Ad-Hoc Committee would allow for focused discussion while ensuring recommendations are thoughtfully developed prior to Board action.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no immediate fiscal impact associated with the formation of an Ad-Hoc Committee. Any future recommendations may include fiscal considerations, which would be presented to the Board for approval.

Respectfully,


Mickey Valdivia,
General Manager



Staff Report

Agenda Item No. **5.2.**

To: Board of Directors
From: Deidre Chatigny, Assistant General Manager/HR Administrator
Via: Mickey Valdivia, General Manager
Date: April 27th, 2026
Subject: Approval to Update 2026 Committee Assignments to Fill Vacancies

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board of Directors approve the updated 2026 Committee Assignments by reassigning current Board member roles to ensure adequate representation and coverage in light of the existing vacancy.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

Due to the passing of Director Hughes, several committee positions previously assigned to that seat are now vacant, creating gaps in representation and participation.

The vacant committee assignments include ***(Parenthesis indicate current Vacant Seat):***

- Collaborative Agency (Alternate)
- PAYBS Liaison (Director)
- Government Liaison (Chair)
- Foundation Fundraising Committee (Chair)
- BCVRPD Policy Committee (Director)
- BCVWD 2x2 (Chair)
- Strategic Planning Committee (Alternate)
- Special Events Committee (Alternate)
- Banning 2x2 (Chair)
- Beaumont 2x2 (Alternate)
- Calimesa 2x2 (Alternate)
- Cherry Festival Ad Hoc (Director)
- State Lobbyist Committee (Chair)
- Calimesa Little League Committee (Director)

Rearranging current Board member assignments and appointing new Board member representation where needed serves as an interim solution.

This approach:

- Maintains continuity and institutional knowledge within committees
- Minimizes disruption to existing assignments
- Ensures committees remain staffed and functional

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with updating committee assignments.

Respectfully,

Deidre Chatigny
Assistant General Manager/HR Administrator



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BCVRPD Committee Assignments 2026

2026	Chair	Director	Alternate	Notes/Other	Staff
Finance Committee	Diercks	Covington	Flores	Thurs Before Board Meeting @ 4:00 p.m. (NC)	Mickey, Alyssa
Personnel Committee	Covington	Diercks	Linnemann	1st Tues @ 12:00 p.m. (TBA)	Mickey, Deidre
Collaborative Agency	Linnemann	Flores	Hughes	1st Wed Bi-monthly @ 5:00 p.m. (City Hall)	Mickey
Facility Ad Hoc	Flores	Covington	Diercks	3rd Fri @ 10:30 a.m. (NC)	Noah, Mickey, Aaron
PAYBS Liaison	Diercks	Hughes	Flores	1st & 3rd Tues @ 7:00 p.m. (BYB Office)	Noah, Mickey
Government Liaison	Hughes	Linnemann	Covington	3rd Tues @ 10:30 a.m. (NC)	Mickey
Foundation Fundraising Committee	Hughes	Shubin/Acevedo	Diercks	3rd Fri @ 9:00 a.m. (NC)	Mickey, Noah
BCVRPD Policy Committee	Covington	Hughes	Diercks	1/9 & 1/23 @ 11:30 a.m. (NC)	Mickey, Deidre, Alyssa
New Committee Suggestions					
BCVWD 2x2	Hughes	Flores	Linnemann		
Rebranding Committee	Diercks	Linnemann	Covington		
Construction Document Pre-Bid & Oversight Ad Hoc	Flores	Diercks	Linnemann		
Strategic Planning Committee	Covington	Flores	Hughes	Ad Hoc - as needed	
Special Events Committee	Flores	Linnemann	Hughes		
Banning 2x2	Hughes	Diercks	Linnemann		
Beaumont 2x2	Linnemann	Flores	Hughes		
Calimesa 2x2	Linnemann	Flores	Hughes		
Cherry Festival Ad Hoc	Linnemann	Hughes	Diercks		
Bogart Park Ad Hoc	Flores	Covington	Linnemann		
Danny Thomas Ranch Ad Hoc	Covington	Diercks	Flores		
State Lobbyist Committee	Hughes	Linnemann	Covington		
Calimesa Little League Committee	Diercks	Hughes	Flores		
BCVRPIC Finance Committee	Shubin	Diercks/Covington	Flores		
Staff					
Chair	Dan Hughes	Chris Diercks	John Flores	Christian Linnemann	Janet Covington
Director	5	5	4	4	4
Alternate	4	4	5	5	5
Total	9/14	9/13	9/14	8/13	9/12



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BCVRPD PROPOSED Committee Assignments 2026

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Special Events Committee	Flores	Linnemann			
Banning 2x2		Diercks	Linnemann		
Beaumont 2x2	Linnemann	Flores			
Calimesa 2x2	Linnemann	Flores			
Cherry Festival Ad Hoc	Linnemann		Diercks		
Bogart Park Ad Hoc	Flores	Covington	Linnemann		
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