

**Location of Meeting:** First 5 Shasta, 393 Park Marina Circle, Redding, CA 96001

**Topic:** First 5 Shasta Commission Meeting

**Time:** October 23, 2023, 2:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

## 1. Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions by Brian Cole, Chair.

Call the meeting to order 2:39 p.m.

### Commission

Joe Ayer (3:08 p.m.)

Kathy Barry

Brian Cole

Elisabeth Cooper (2:40 p.m.)

Tim Garman

Kevin O’Rorke

Miguel Rodriguez (2:40 p.m.)

Cindy Vogt

### Staff

Wendy Dickens

Elizabeth Poole

Nicole Brainerd

Tristen Grantham

Doug Woodworth

### Public

Lisette Hutchens

Kristen Lyons

Julie Schroeder

## 2. Public Hearing

### a. First 5 Shasta 2022–2023 Audit

Lisette Hutchens of Lincoln CPA presented the audit report for the fiscal year 2022–2023. There were no findings, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses.

### b. First 5 Shasta 2022–2023 Annual Report

Doug Woodworth presented the annual report for the fiscal year 2022–2023.

## 3. Close Public Hearing

The public hearing was closed at 3:10 p.m.

## 4. Public Comment Period

Members of the public are entitled under the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950 et seq) to address the Commission on any matter within the Commission’s subject matter jurisdiction. Members of the public may speak for up to three minutes on any matter concerning the Commission, with the exception of items related to pending judicial, administrative litigation, or personnel matters. The Act prohibits the Commission from taking action or discussing the item unless it is already on the agenda.

### **Commissioner Recusal Reminder**

All Commissioners are reminded to recuse themselves from voting on any agenda item that has a real or perceived conflict of interest.

## 5. Consent Agenda

### **Action Item**

Items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon at one time without discussion. Any commission member or interested person may request removal of an item from the Consent Agenda for discussion later on the agenda. Consider the approval of the following items:

a. Minutes from August 28, 2023 Commission Meeting

b. First 5 Shasta 2022–2023 Audit

c. First 5 Shasta 2022–2023 Annual Report

d. First 5 Shasta Financial Report FY 2023–24 (July–September) Budget to Actual

## e. Policy Updates

Motion to approve the consent agenda:

Motion/Seconded: Garman/Vogt

Ayes: Ayer, Barry, Cole, Cooper, Garman, Rodriguez, Vogt

Abstention: O'Rorke

Nayes: None

Motion: Approved

**6. Shasta Family YMCA Outdoor Play Equipment Request****Action Item**

Julie Schroeder gave a presentation regarding proposed plans to update the playground at Shasta Family YMCA. Schroeder highlighted data, programs and activities at the YMCA as well as the physical, social, emotional and imaginative benefits of children playing on a playground. The proposed playground will be ADA compliant and have adaptive equipment. Rodriguez asked if a shade structure was in the budget as well as a sitting area for parents. Lyons replied that the shade structure being in phase two of the project and that there are currently picnic benches along the playground. O'Rorke commented on the draw of children and families to the YMCA that might now otherwise have a place to attend.

Motion to approve \$25,000 to the outdoor play equipment to Shasta Family YMCA:

Motion/Seconded: Ayer/Garman

Ayes: Ayer, Barry, Cole, Cooper, Garman, O'Rorke, Rodriguez, Vogt

Nayes: None

Motion: Approved

**7. Reports**

A report on topics and important information related to the committee or position.

## a. Admin Ad Hoc

Vogt explained that the auditor went into more detail at the Admin Ad Hoc and Vogt expressed her support and appreciation for First 5 Shasta (F5S) staff doing such a great job.

## b. Evaluation &amp; Advisory Committee

Practitioner's Voice of California grant was reviewed. The Help Me Grow database transition to Apricot was discussed at the evaluation committee meeting and is going well. Dickens had discussed her trip to the North State Together convening in San Francisco where good info was shared regarding economic mobility from cradle to career.

## c. Executive Director

Dickens talked about marking calendars for the F5S Holiday Open house on December 13<sup>th</sup> from 10a-12pm. Added to mark calendars for March 19<sup>th</sup> for the Commission Planning Day at the Shasta College Community Learning Center. The fence work has been pushed back to the first week of November. Shasta Reads (formerly Read for the Record) will be happening this Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and there are more slots available to be a celebrity reader. Dickens confirmed with Rodriguez to renew his commission seat for the next term.

## d. Commission

Garman mentioned that on November 4-6 the lights at the Sundial Bridge will be blue in support of those with diabetes, it's an important issue and Garman feels that the community needs proper support and education on the topic. Barry discussed the fentanyl overdose of an 8-year-old at a local Redding school. The immediate reaction at the Shasta County Office of Education was to train the bus drivers as well as develop messaging to get helpful information

out to parents and families around substance exposure. Rodriguez noted grant funding is coming from the state around training faith leaders in mental health which could serve as a good entry point around substance abuse information into the community. Cole updated that Chief Schueller has retired, and Brian Barner is the new Chief of Police at Redding Police Department.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

Tristen Grantham

