CITY OF FULLERTON
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Approved Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
City Council Chamber
Monday, January 14, 2013
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Van Gorden called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Haselton led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Carvalho, Silva, Van Gorden, Haselton, Lang-McNabb, Levinson

Absent: None
Staff: Director Penny Loomer, Parks Project Manager Hugo Curiel, Administrative Manager Alice Loya, Recreation Supervisor John Clements, Deputy Director of Maintenance Services Dennis Quinlivan, and Buildings and Facilities Superintendent Bob St. Paul.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT ITEMS (Items 1 - 2)

1. MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION OCTOBER 15, 2012 COMMISSION MEETING

   Recommendation to approve the Minutes of the Parks and Recreation October 15, 2012 Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Lang-McNabb MADE A MOTION and Commissioner Carvalho SECONDED the motion to approve the Minutes of the Parks and Recreation October 15, 2012 Commission Meeting.

AYES: Levinson, Carvalho, Van Gorden,

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Silva, Haselton

ABSENT: None

The MOTION PASSED

2. MAINTENANCE SERVICES MONTHLY REPORTS FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 2012

   Recommendation to receive and file the Maintenance Services Monthly Reports for October, November and December 2012 Monthly Reports.

Commissioner Carvalho MADE A MOTION and Vice Chair Van Gorden SECONDED the motion to approve the Maintenance Services Monthly Reports for October, November and December, 2012.

AYES: Carvalho, Silva, Van Gorden, Haselton, Lang-McNabb, Levinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

The MOTION PASSED 6 - 0

REGULAR BUSINESS (Items 3 – 7)

3. APPOINT CHAIR/VICE CHAIR (OATH OF OFFICE)

   Recommendation to elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for 2013. Nominations were requested by Vice Chair Van Gorden.

   Commissioner Carvalho NOMINATED Vice Chair Van Gorden as Chair, SECONDED by Commissioner Haselton.

AYES: Carvalho, Silva, Van Gorden, Haselton, Lang-McNabb, Levinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

The MOTION PASSED 6 - 0

   Chair Van Gorden nominated Commissioner Levinson as Vice Chair, SECONDED by Wayne Carvalho.

AYES: Carvalho, Silva, Van Gorden, Haselton, Lang-McNabb, Levinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

The MOTION PASSED 6 - 0

4. DISCUSS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Director Loomer reviewed the list of subcommittees and explained that appointments will be made in February, 2013.

5. RESOLUTION #6278 – NAMING PARKS & FACILITIES

Supervisor Clements presented the item and discussed how City Council directed staff to name a facility after a prominent citizen. After the Resolution was presented in October, 2012 staff found that some revisions were needed. The Resolution was changed to refer to both parks and recreation facilities, not just parks.

The commission discussed the following: naming a room at facilities named after them, spray pools and picnic areas. The memorial tree, bench and kiosk program was also discussed.

Commissioner Silva suggested having a campaign to name a facility. There was additional discussion about how other cities offer short-term naming rights to fields with major corporate sponsors. Director Loomer said she would look into it, make a list and get back to the commission.

Vice Chair Levinson MADE A MOTION, Commissioner Lang-McNabb SECONDED the motion to approve the amended updates to Resolution No. 6278 and recommend its adoption by City Council.

AYES: Carvalho, Silva, Van Gorden, Haselton, Lang-McNabb, Levinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

The MOTION PASSED 6 - 0

REPORT ON COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

6. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

OVERVIEW OF PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Director Loomer discussed the list of parks, their acreage, the miles of trails, and how many facilities Parks and Recreation staffs and operates.

Manager Loya reviewed all areas under her purview, including the Fullerton Community Center, the department budget, leases and contracts.

Commissioner Haselton asked for an update on the Meridian sports club. Manager Loya responded that it is public record they have filed for bankruptcy and different options are being considered.

Parks Project Manager Curiel reviewed all capital improvement projects and developments. He spoke of the sports fields, Independence Park, Pooch Park, Skate Park, contract classes and the newsletter will be highlighting the Fullerton Community Center for the next three months. He mentioned that the recently renovated Tennis Center facility will be contracted out.

Commissioner Silva asked about the BMX group wanting to use the Skate Park. Supervisor Clements told him they were invited to a Skate Park ad hoc committee meeting where help was offered but there has been no communication since then.

Recreation Manager Mauk reviewed all areas under her purview, she spoke of the events and the Museum and its 21 member board fund raising $230,000 a year to pay for exhibits. She also said that she manages four neighborhood centers: Maple, Garnet, Gilbert and Richman after-school programs and the CalGrip gang prevention program.

Commissioner Silva asked if there was a possibility in reviving First Night. He asked to be part of the discussion if the community shows an interest in it, as he has some ideas to solicit funds.

Director Loomer informed the commission that the $500,000 grant was received from the State to continue the CalGrip program. She told the commission that Safe & Sane Fireworks was presented to City Council on January 15 and would be brought to the Commission in February.

Parks Project Manager Curiel discussed capital projects including: Duane Winters field fence, Lemon Park, trail improvements at Laguna Lake. He also said that another grant was submitted which could provide $400,000 towards restoring another section of trails. He mentioned that Tri-City Park was recently deeded to the County of Orange who will better be able to fund the maintenance and address any issues.

7. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Carvalho asked if lighting at the Sports Complex could be turned off earlier in the evening.

Commissioner Lang-McNabb asked if she could participate in the Hillcrest Ad Hoc Committee.

Commissioner Levinson asked about the skate park. Supervisor Clements told the commission that not as many volunteers are needed now with daylight savings. There is still a good core group that maintains the area and helps with special events.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Van Gorden adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Loomer

Penny Loomer, Secretary

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