

CITY OF OXNARD
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMISSION MINUTES
IN-PERSON MEETING - OXNARD COUNCIL CHAMBERS

305 West Third Street
Oxnard, CA 93030
Wednesday, July 27, 2022, 5:30 pm

A. ROLL CALL

At 5:35 p.m., the Oxnard Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission meeting convened in an in-person meeting. Vice-Chair Poirier, Commissioners Miguel Fernandez, Oscar Hernandez, and Paul Lemos were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States. Vice Chair Poirier presided and called the meeting to order. Staff members present were; Steve Howlett, Assistant Public Works Director, Janice M. Zaragoza, Recreation Supervisor, and Adriana Britt, Recording Secretary.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Abel Magana: Diego Magana created a non-profit, Mini Nature and is hoping to work with the City.

Larry Stein: Does not approve of Aquatic Center

Doug Portello: Quimby Funds for Cabrillo Park

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the Commission meeting from June 22, 2022, regular meeting are submitted for approval.

ACTION: The Commission tabled the approval of the June 22, 2022, regular meeting minutes.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Review of *Sports Park Idea Day Survey Results*

ACTION: The Commission received and filed a presentation on the Sports Park Idea Day Survey Results.

Public Speakers:

Bridget Davenport: Would like an ice skating rink at Sports Park.

Wendi Cool: Would like an ice skating rink at Sports Park

Nadine Piche: In support of an ice skating rink at Sports Park.

Cidra O'Donnell: In support of an ice skating rink, based on her own outreach - 241 Oxnard residents and 240 Ventura residents are in support of the rink at Sports Park.

John Cardenas: Would like to discuss a BMX track in Oxnard at the following meeting.

Scott Barradas: Would like AYSO to have priority at Sports Park fields.

Pat Brown: Is disappointed in the results for an ice skating rink at Sports Park and the idea being dropped.

Doug Portello: Would like more soccer fields at Sports Park

Larry Stein: Concerned about plans for Sports Park, The primary reason for the park was to add new amenities.

Andy Mack: Can we figure out how to fit in all wanted amenities? Santa Clarita only uses 5 acres for their Aquatic Center.

Sophia Drake: Would like an ice skating rink in Ventura County.

Margo Byrne: Would like a YMCA at Sports Park.

Robert Canko: In support of an ice rink at Sports Park

2. SUBJECT: Park Space and Community Centers in Oxnard, Vice-Chair Roger Poirier

ACTION: The Commission tabled this item.

F. RECREATION DIVISION REPORT

1. SUBJECT: Recreation Event Update

ACTION: The commission received an update on Kids Fest and the upcoming Skate Nights, Movie Nights, Cowboys Camp, Backpack Giveaway, and 75th Anniversary Party in the Park Celebration.

G. PARKS DIVISION REPORT

1. SUBJECT: Parks Update

ACTION: The commission was updated on items going to Council, 5 Points Neighborhood, new restrooms at Community Center East Park, new inclusive playgrounds, audit for irrigation system in parks, and Council Chambers closure in August.

H. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: 2022-2023 Commission Goals, Vice Chair Roger Poirier

ACTION: The commission reviewed and discussed the current list of Commission goals. Please see attached Commission Goals List.

2. SUBJECT: Ad Hoc Committees

ACTION: The Commission voted to sunset all Ad Hoc Committees. Fernandez/Lemos (4/0) unanimous

Public Speaker: Wendi Cool: Would like more outreach done for an ice skating

rink at Sports Park.

Vanessa Valdez: Not enough outreach has been done to get input from the Oxnard Community.

3. SUBJECT: Park Space Ambassador Program Ad Hoc Committee
ACTION: The commission voted to create a Park Space Ambassador Program committee. Fernandez/O. Hernandez (4/0) unanimous
4. SUBJECT: Renaming of a Park in honor of Marvin Boos, Commissioner Chris Hernandez
ACTION: The Commission tabled this item.

I. TASK FORCE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioners may report or arrange for the report of Task Force and Committee activities.

J. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Lemos: Adult Softball and field usage

Poirier: Spoke to Supervisor Ramirez regarding Oxnard Soccer League, National Night Out, Hobson Neighborhood Park Clean Up/Meeting, Colonia Neighborhood Meeting August 16, Durley Grant, Quimby Funds

K. ITEMS OF FUTURE CONSIDERATION

1. Adult Softball
2. Marvin Boos recognition
3. Ad Hoc Committee assignments
4. Capital Improvement Update
5. Durley Park Update
6. Park Space and Community Centers

L. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 24, 2022**, at 5:30 p.m.

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