

CITY OF OXNARD
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
MEETING - MINUTES
IN PERSON MEETING - OXNARD COUNCIL CHAMBERS
305 West Third Street
Oxnard, CA 93030
Wednesday, May 25, 2022 5:30 pm

A. ROLL CALL

At 5:31 p.m., the Oxnard Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission meeting convened in an in person meeting. Chair Whitecomb, Vice-Chair Poirier, Commissioners Miguel Fernandez, Chris Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez, and Paul Lemos were present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States. Chair Whitecomb 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

Madame Chair Whitecomb led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests to speak

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the PRCSC meeting from January 26, 2022 regular meeting and February 7, 2022 special meeting were submitted for approval.
ACTION: Approval of minutes of the PRCSC meeting from January 26, 2022 regular meeting and February 7, 2022 special meeting, and February 23, 2022 regular meeting were tabled. Poirier/Lemos (Unanimous).

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Sunset Little League Renaming of Minor Field, Sunset Little League President Andrew Arreola
ACTION: The Commission was addressed by Andrew Arreola and Karla Delgado on behalf of Sunset Little League to rename the Minor Field in honor of Helen Lopez and add a plaque.
2. SUBJECT: Youth Urban Heat Monitoring Project, Isadora Noguiera
ACTION: The commission received a report on the research data recovered throughout parks in Oxnard and given a recommendation to add heat resistance amenities throughout the parks and surrounding areas.
3. SUBJECT: Park Safety - Oxnard Police Department Staff
ACTION: The commission tabled this item until June meeting.
4. SUBJECT: PRCSC Ad Hoc Subcommittees
ACTION: The Commission assigned commission members to Ad Hoc

Committees as follows:

- a.) Campus Park, ending 12/31/22 - Chair Whitecomb, Vice-Chair Poirier, and Commissioner Fernandez
- b.) Parks & Recreation Master Plan Implementation, ending 12/31/22 - Vice-Chair Poirier, Commissioner Oscar Hernandez, Commissioner Lemos
- c.) Quimby Funds, ending 12/31/22 - Vice-Chair Poirier and Commissioner Chris Hernandez
- d.) Aquatic Center, ending 12/31/22 - Chair Whitecomb, Commissioner Fernandez, and Commissioner Oscar Hernandez
- e. Turf Reduction/Native Plants, ending 12/31/22 - Chair Whitecomb, Vice-Chair Poirier, and Commissioner Fernandez
- f. Dog Recreation, ending 12/31/22 - Chair Whitecomb and Commissioner Chris Hernandez
- g.) Future Parks, ending 12/31/22 - Chair Whitecomb, Vice-Chair Poirier, and Commissioner Lemos

Public Speaker: Pat Brown - Made comment on the various amenities in Oxnard Parks

F. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. **SUBJECT:** 2022-2023 PRCSC Commission Goals
ACTION: The Commission tabled the item for the June meeting.
Poirier/C.Hernandez (unanimous)
2. **SUBJECT:** Five Points Park & Recreation Opportunities, Vice Chair Poirier & Commissioner Chris Hernandez
ACTION: The Commission was given a presentation on open lots available for purchase near the Five Points Neighborhood. The Commission recommends that the land be purchased and improved by the City to transform into a recreational venue with Measure O or Quimby Funds.

Public Speaker: Pat Brown - Commented on Five Points Neighborhood needing park space.

G. PARKS DIVISION REPORT

The Commission received a report on irrigation schedule, trash cans, new water fountains, Cowboys Camp, and Jazz Festival

H. RECREATION DIVISION REPORT

The Commission received a report on Keepin It Wheels, the Art Gala in April, Mini Murals in April, The Great Oxnard Campout in April, Sports Park Outreach, Cowboys Camp, Insect Festival, Meet Up Clean Up, Skate Nights, and Movie Nights

I. TASK FORCE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Campus Park - revised plans are being reviewed by the City
2. Park Safety - discussed removal of the pavilion along with seating and grills at Community Center Park East

J. COMMISSION COMMENTS

1. Poirier: Art Installation at PACC, need assistance listening devices in Council Chambers to be in compliance with the ADA
2. Lemos: Happy about in person meetings - mention of many denied recommendations to council
3. Chris Hernandez: Happy to meet in person
4. Chair Whitecomb: spoke on recent mass shootings and asked to people to write to congress

K. ITEMS OF FUTURE CONSIDERATION

1. Voting on Community Center East facilities
2. Durley Park/Sunset Little League Field Renaming
3. Park Safety with Officer Greg Utter
4. Commission Goals

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is set for Wednesday, July 27, 2022 via Zoom.

Angela Whitecomb, Chair