

MINUTES FINAL
Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission
October 26, 2022

A. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 5:34 p.m., the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission convened. Commissioners Miguel Fernandez, Oscar Hernandez, Ismael Paredes-Ulloa, Roger Poirier, and Angela Whitecomb were present. Commissioner Paul Lemos and Chris Hernandez were absent. Staff members present were Steve Howlett, Assistant Public Works Director, Janice Zaragoza, Cultural and Community Services Supervisor, and Adriana Britt, Recording Secretary.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the meeting of September 28, 2022.
RECOMMENDATION: Approve.
ACTION: Commissioner Poirier moved approval as recommended. Commissioner Fernandez seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioners Paul Lemos and Chris Hernandez absent. Commissioner Paredes-Ulloa abstained.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matthew Vestudo commented on being honored for the consideration of the renaming of Oxnard Beach Park.

Salvador Tumamait Ambriz commented on giving his support in the renaming of Oxnard Beach Park.

D. REPORTS

E. COMMISSION BUSINESS

F. AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Park Ambassador AD-HOC Committee
Chair Whitecomb requested for the Commission and City staff to schedule a time to meet with each other. Commissioner Poirier informed the Commissioners that Hobson Park East and Hobson Park West were going to be meeting soon about park safety.
2. Five Points Clean Up AD-HOC Committee
The transfer of the property has not yet been finalized. Permission from the property manager would need to be obtained in order to be able to go on the property to start the clean up with the possibility of combining this event with a Meet Up Clean Up.
3. Sports Park Design AD-HOC Committee
Commissioner Paul Lemos, Miguel Fernandez, and Ismael Paredes-Ulloa all volunteered to be part of the Sports Park Design AD-HOC Committee. Staff notified the Commission that any actions would be dependent on the next Council agenda item that should be taking place in an upcoming future meeting.

“During Commissioner Comments the realized they had not assigned Commissioners to the Ad Hoc committee and returned to this item to do so. Once the Commissioners were assigned, the Commission returned to their discussion under Commissioner Comments, item H.1.”

G. REPORT OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARY

Recreation Supervisor, Janice Zaragoza reported on Fall Fest on October 30, 2022 at Plaza Park, Special Populations Trunk or Treat at Wilson Senior Center from 5-6:30pm, Halloween Float, Meet Up Clean Up at College Park on November 5 from 8am-12pm, Dia De Los Muertos at Carnegie Art Museum from November 1 to 3, Cars & Coffee at College Park on November 19 from 9am-12pm, Turkey Distributions at Colonia Youth Center on November 16 from 4-6pm, Oxnard PAL on November 17 from 4-6pm, and Southwinds Youth Center on November 18 from 4-6pm, and Toy Distributions at Colonia Youth Center on December 11 from 2-5pm, Southwinds Youth Center on December 16 from 4-7pm, and Oxnard PAL on December 17 from 4-7pm.

Assistant Public Works Director, Steve Howlett provided an update on future agenda planning that will need to be taken into consideration because of the new report format change. Parks provided an update on all active park projects to the Commission.

H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

1. Commissioner Miguel Fernandez requested Commissioner Ismael Paredes-Ulloa to introduce himself.
2. Commissioner Ismael Paredes-Ulloa introduced himself, his background, and what he enjoys most about recreation.
3. Commissioner Miguel Fernandez shared his experience at a CicLAvia event in Los Angeles and would like to see a smaller scale event like this come to Oxnard.
4. Vice-Chair Roger Porier shared that he had previously met Commissioner Ismael Paredes-Ulloa at Dunes Park and stated the park has Quimby funds available.
5. Chair Whitecomb went to the last City Council meeting to speak about the Sports Park, since it went to City Council before going to the Commission. The Commission asked if the items can go to the Commission to make a recommendation then go to Council.
6. Vice-Chair Roger Porier attended a grant workshop for Campus Park.

I. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

1. Renaming of Oxnard Beach Park
2. Dunes Neighborhood Canal Project
3. Creation and objective setting of Mural Ad Hoc Committee
4. Creation and objective setting of Local Tribes and Ad Hoc Committee

J. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:33 pm Chair Whitecomb moved the meeting adjourned.

Adriana Britt

Angela Whitecomb

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