

MINUTES FINAL
Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission
June 28, 2023

A. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 5:31 p.m., the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission convened. Commissioners Armando Casillas, Miguel Fernandez, Angela Whitecomb, and Ismael Paredes Ulloa were present. Commissioner Paul Lemos was absent. Staff members present were Steve Howlett, Assistant Public Works Director, Pam Morrison, Cultural and Community Services Manager, and Mariah Sanchez, Cultural and Community Services Analyst.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the meeting of April 26, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION: That the minutes be approved.

ACTION: Commissioner Miguel Fernandez moved approval as recommended. Commissioner Ismael Paredes Ulloa seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioners Chris Hernandez, Ocsar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Stephanie Hagiwara spoke in regards to the Durley Park Art Center.
2. Roger Poirier commented that the video footage for the meeting wasn't working properly.
3. Albert Garcia spoke in regards to the Sunset Little League bathrooms.

D. REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Update on Clean California Grant projects within City Parks, KTUA Landscape Architecture

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive an update on the Clean California Grant park projects.

DISCUSSION: None.

Roger Poirier: Questioned how many eucalyptus trees will be removed.

ACTION: [None]

2. SUBJECT: Parks Division Budget from Kevin Thompson, Parks Manager

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive an update on the current parks budget.

DISCUSSION: None.

Roger Poirier: Commented that he appreciated the presentation.

ACTION: [None]

E. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Special Meeting Date for City of Oxnard Parks Tour

RECOMMENDATION: That the commission and staff discuss a date to visit Olokoy Beach Park, Neptune Park, The Five Points site, Community Center Park East, Pleasant Valley Park, Southwinds Park, and Riverpark Dog Park.

DISCUSSION: Commissioners agreed upon Saturday, July 29, 2023.

ACTION: Chair Angela Whitecomb moved to meet on July 29 at 10am to visit Olokoy Beach Park, Neptune Park, The Five Points site, Community Center Park East, Pleasant Valley Park, Southwinds Park, Riverpark Dog Park, and Durley Park.

Commissioner Miguel Fernandez moved approval. Commissioner Ismael Paredes Ulloa seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioners Chris Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.

F. AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Create, assign members, and set objectives for a Five Points Property Ad-hoc Committee.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission creates and assigns members to the Five Points Property Ad-hoc Committee to make a recommendation on what type of park should be developed at that property. The Committee will sunset on October 25, 2023.

DISCUSSION:

The commission volunteered and recommended each other to be part of the ad-hoc committee.

Pat Brown commented in regards to the Five Points neighborhood housing and parks.

ACTION: Chair Angela Whitcomb motioned to form the recommendation as written with Angela Whitcomb, Armando Casillas, and Chris Hernandez. Commissioner Miguel Fernandez moved approval. Commissioner Ismael Paredes Ulloa seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Chris Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.

2. SUBJECT: Create, assign members, and set objectives for a Community Park East Restroom Ad-hoc Committee.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission creates and assigns members to the Community Park East Restroom Ad-hoc Committee to make a recommendation on the design and implementation of in or around the Community Park East Restrooms. The Committee will sunset on October 25, 2023.

DISCUSSION:

Commission discussed who would be on the ad-hoc committee and the adjustments they want to make in regards to the recommendation verbage.

Roger Poirier commented on the amount of restrooms at Community Center Park East.

ACTION: Chair Angela Whitcomb motioned that they create and assign Angela Whitcomb, Armando Casillas and Ismael Paredes Ulloa to the Community Park East Restroom Ad-hoc Committee to make a recommendation on the design of murals and implementation of on or around the Community Park East Restroom murals. The Committee will sunset on October 25, 2023.

Commissioner Miguel Fernandez moved approval. Commissioner Armando Casillas seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Chis Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.

3. SUBJECT: Annual Report Ad-hoc Committee
RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive a final report from the Annual Ad-hoc Committee and terminate the Annual Report Ad-hoc Committee.
DISCUSSION: The Commission decided on revisiting this agenda item at the next meeting.
ACTION: Commissioner Ismael Paredes Ulloa motioned to make no action on this item and to agendize it for a future meeting.
Chair Angela Whitcomb seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Chis Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.
4. SUBJECT: Park Ambassador Program Ad-hoc Committee
RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive a final report from the Park Ambassador Program Ad-Hoc Committee and terminate the Park Ambassador Program Ad-Hoc Committee.
DISCUSSION: [None.]
ACTION: Chair Angela Whitcomb motioned to agendize this item in August. Commissioner Armando Casillas seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Chis Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.
5. SUBJECT: Pleasant Valley Park Restroom Mural Ad-hoc Committee
RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive a final report from the Pleasant Valley Park Restroom Ad-hoc Committee and terminate the Pleasant Valley Park Restroom Ad-hoc Committee.
DISCUSSION: [None.]
ACTION: Commissioner Miguel Fernandez motioned to sunset and create the ad-hoc committee at a later time. Commissioner Ismael Paredes Ulloa seconded and the motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Chis Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Paul Lemos absent at the time.
6. SUBJECT: Park Restroom Ad-hoc Committee
RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive a report from Commissioner Chris Hernandez on the park restrooms as they pertain to sports leagues during practices and games. Sunset date: September 27, 2023.
DISCUSSION: [None.]
ACTION: [None.]

G. REPORT OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARY
Parks Division Report:

Marina West: central playground closed to the public
Dunkirk: playground closed to the public
Sea View Neighborhood Council: Meeting on July 28 at 6pm about replacement playground at Dunkirk
Pleasant Valley: Meeting July 10 at 9:30am to review their playground and replacement
Marina West: awaiting confirmation for meeting for their neighborhood playground

Recreation Division Report:

Seniors: Aquarium of the Pacific excursion and Vintage Fashion Show
PAL: Movie Nights start July 1 with Southwinds Movie Night on July 15, Kids Fest is on July 7, and Backpack Distribution is on August 9
Colonia Gym: Volleyball Camp July 3-7
Cowboy Camp: Starts July 29
Cowboys Cheer Camp: July 30

H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Casillas: Thanked everyone for the information that was shared at the meeting.

Chair Whitecomb: Thanked staff for all of their hard work.

I. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

1. Invite the Engineering Department to provide an update on their project schedule of completion.
2. Update on Quimby Funds

J. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:15 pm the meeting was adjourned.

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Angela Whitecomb

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