Parks and Recreation Commission

COMMISSION MEMBERS
Caliph Assagai, Chair  David Heitstuman  Shannon McKinley  Terri Shettle
Kelly Conroy  Lynn Lenzi  Julie Murphy  Shane Singh
Fatima Malik  Dave O'Toole

CITY STAFF:
Pamela Sloan, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation
Camille Wise, Program Specialist

Historic City Hall Hearing Room
915 I Street
February 4, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

The Parks and Recreation Commission is a commission of the City Council that provides recommendations and advice on policies, projects and other matters pertaining to parks, recreation, trees, and human services affecting the City of Sacramento.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, February 4, 2016 – 6:30 P.M.

Historic City Hall Meeting Room, 915 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

All items listed are heard and acted upon by the Parks and Recreation Commission unless otherwise noted.

Call to Order – 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call / Commissioner Introduction

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda
  1. To be announced

Public Hearings
  2. None

Special Oral Presentation

  3. Proposed Changes to City Street Tree and Heritage Tree Ordinances (Oral)
     Location: Citywide
     Recommendation: Review and Comment
     Contact: Greg Smith, Associate Engineer, 808-8364

Consent Calendar
All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered and acted upon by one motion. Anyone may request that an item be removed for separate consideration.

  4. Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
     Location: Citywide
     Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes for and January 7, 2016
     Contact: Camille Wise, Program Specialist, 808-8830

Discussion/Action Reports
Discussion/Action reports include oral presentations including those recommending review and comment

  5. Summer at City Hall
     Location: Citywide
     Recommendation: Review and Comment
     Contact: Vincene Jones, Program Manager, 808-5072
6. Camp Sacramento (Oral)
   **Location:** Citywide
   **Recommendation:** Review and Comment
   **Contact:** Jarred Patton, Camp Sacramento Supervisor, 808-6169 and Laura Bjornsen, Recreation Superintendent, 808-7753

7. Parks and Recreation Director Report (Oral): Review Highlights for January
   **Recommendation:** Review and Comment
   **Contact:** Pamela Sloan, Interim Director, 808-8526

**Questions, Ideas, and Announcements of Commission Members**

**Adjournment**
Meeting Minutes of the  
Parks and Recreation Commission  

AGENDA  
Thursday, January 7, 2016  
Historic City Hall Meeting Room, 915 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814  

Call to Order – 6:30 p.m. Roll Call / Commissioner Introduction  
Chairperson Assagai called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All commissioners were in attendance except Commissioner O'Toole; Commissioner McKinley arrived at 6:45.  

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda  
1. Keith McCallin spoke to concerns about opening Chicory Bend Park and Ron Emslie spoke about persons using McClatchy Park.  

Public Hearings  
2. Appeal of a Decision of the Hearing Examiner to Deny a Tree Permit to Remove a Heritage Tree at 2323 K Street  
Location: Council District 4  
Recommendation: Hear the appeal and deny a permit to remove a heritage Southern Magnolia tree at 2323 K Street  
Contact: Tim Daley, City Arborist, 808-6336 and Joe Benassini, Urban Forest Manager, 808-6258  
City Attorney Sheryl Patterson made introductory comments about the scope of the hearing. Tim Daly, City Arborist, presented the item and Joe Benassini, Urban Forestry Manager, answered questions. Brad McDowell, counsel representing the appellant Thomas Roth testified.  
Public comment on this item was made by the appellant and Luis Sumpter, Gary Orr, and Ryan Heater.  
Action: Moved, seconded and carried to deny the appeal and preserve the tree finding that there is not enough proof of poor health of the tree or risk of damage.
Special Oral Presentation

3. None

Consent Calendar

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4. Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
   Location: Citywide
   Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes for November 5, 2015
   Contact: Shannon Brown, Operations Manager, 808-4070

5. Adopt a Meeting Calendar for Calendar Year 2016
   Location: Citywide
   Recommendation: Adopt a Meeting Calendar for 2016
   Contact: Shannon Brown, Operations Manager, 808-4070

   Action: Moved, seconded and carried to approve the consent calendar
(Singh/Malik: Ayes Assagai, Conroy, Colley-Perry Heitstuman, Lenzi, Malik, McKinley, Murphy, Shettle, Singh)

Discussion/Action Reports

Discussion/Action reports include oral presentations including those recommending review and comment

6. Parks and Recreation Commission: 2016 Agenda Items
   Location: Citywide
   Recommendation: Review and Comment
   Contact: Pamela Sloan, Interim Director, 808-8526

   Pamela Sloan presented a proposed list of agenda items to be heard by the Commission in 2016. Commissioners requested items be added to this list as follows: Singh wants a staff report on the current status of Chicory Bend in April or March, Malik wants an update and report on the City Community Gardens program, Lenzi wants information on the new tree ordinance being developed by the Department of Public Works in February, Murphy wants to have Sacramento Steps Forward heard earlier in the year, Assagai wants to hear about the Rails to Trails project from the Central City to Land Park.
7. Parkland Dedication (Quimby) Code Changes  
Location: Citywide  
Recommendation: Review and Comment  
Contact: Mary de Beauvieres, Principal Planner, Parks and Recreation, 808-8722

Mary de Beauvieres presented information on proposed changes to the City’s Parkland Dedication (Quimby) code. Proposed changes include when land dedication would be required, how land value is determined, joint use of land, and calculation of private recreation facility fee credits. Next steps include: ordinance changes go to the Law & Legislation Committee and the Planning and Design Commission, then ultimately to City Council. A hearing is tentatively scheduled for February 25th to the Planning and Design Commission, Law and Legislation Committee in March, and City Council in April. Greg Sandlund from the Community Development Department answered questions. There was no public comment. Some Commissioners expressed concerns regarding the changes to allow fees rather than dedication of land and the method for determining land values to set the in-lieu fees might result in less parkland in distressed communities.

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to have a letter written by the Chair to send to City Council with specific recommended changes and concerns as follows:

Motion No. 1: Current Land Value Used to Calculate In Lieu Fee - Average land value should not be based on census tracts because it is too small.  
(Malik/Colley-Perry: Ayes: Colley-Perry, Conroy, Heitstuman, Lenzi, Malik, McKinley, Murphy, Shettle, Assagai. Nays: Singh)

Motion No. 2: Current Private Recreation Facilities Credit - Oppose the increase in Private Recreational Facilities Credits because there will be less park area available to the public.  
(Malik/Colley-Perry: Ayes: Colley-Perry, Conroy, Heitstuman, Malik, Murphy, Assagai. Nays: Lenzi, McKinley, Shettle, Singh)

Recommendation: Review and Comment  
Contact: Pamela Sloan, Interim Director, 808-8526

Pamela Sloan provided Commissioners with a copy of the City Code that outlines their roles and responsibilities. We are at our midyear budget review, staff has done a good job of keeping on target and staying on top of it. Pamela provided
an update on the Department of Parks and Recreation Director recruitment, that it is in process and the City Manager is pondering his options. The Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) will be notified once an appointment has been made. There was a community interview panel on which PRC members participated.

Questions, Ideas, and Announcements of Commission Members

Commissioner Colley-Perry reported that she has moved to District 5 and will regrettably no longer serve on the Commission. She was thanked for her service.

Commissioner Singh thanked Shannon Brown for her assistance and influence on youth soccer returning to Reichmuth Park. He also acknowledged Pamela Sloan for mentoring a youth in his community.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Camille Wise, Program Specialist
Department of Parks and Recreation

Approved by:

Caliph Assagai, Chairperson
Parks and Recreation Commission
January 27, 2016

Parks and Recreation Commission
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Summer at City Hall Program

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide / All Districts

RECOMMENDATION: Review and comment

CONTACT PERSON: Vincene R. Jones, Division Manager, 808-5072

FOR COMMISSION MEETING: February 4, 2016

Summary
Update on the Summer at City Hall Program. This program is open to high school students going into the 9th, 10th, and 11th grades from the Sacramento City Unified School District, Twin Rivers Unified School District, Natomas Unified School District, Elk Grove Unified School District, and the County of Sacramento Office of Education. One hundred students participate in the seven-week program with internships in local government and businesses. After completing the program, students receive five high school credits and a $300 stipend.

Background
Summer at City Hall began in 2010 with just a mere 30 students from the Sacramento City Unified School District. The first 30 students attended a six-week summer program at Sacramento City Hall to learn about local government, careers in government, and how to advocate for community change. Students attended classes in the morning and internships in the afternoons. The program concluded with the students presenting advocacy projects to a panel of City Council Members and community leaders.
In 2010, the first year of Summer at City Hall a partnership between the City of Sacramento, WayUp Sacramento, and the Sacramento City Unified School District was formed. In 2015, the fifth year of the program; over 100 students attended a seven-week summer experience at city hall including a leadership program on advanced advocacy skills. Partnerships with school districts have also expanded to include Twin Rivers Unified, Natomas Unified, Elk Grove Unified and the County Office of Education.

Next Steps
Currently, the City of Sacramento, Neighborhood Services Department, Sacramento City Unified School District, Natomas Unified School District, Elk Grove Unified School District, and the Twin Rivers Unified School District are meeting on a monthly basis. Active recruitment of students is taking place on high school campuses in the four districts. All student applications are due on Friday, February 5, 2016. The 2016 Summer at City Hall will accommodate 100 students and begin on Monday, June 13, 2016. This partnership of the City of Sacramento, WayUp, and the school districts is looking forward to a fun filled educational summer.