

**DRAFT MINUTES
OF THE
CITY OF SACRAMENTO
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, April 6, 2006**

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. The Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Commissioner Cindy Cooke at 7:15 p.m. on the above date at the Southside Youth Center located at 2115 Sixth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

2. INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS, CITY STAFF, GUESTS

MEMBER	PLANNING AREA	Present	Absent
George Raya	Planning Area 1- Central City	X	
Cindy Cooke	Planning Area 2- Land Park	X	
Patrick Lynn	Planning Area 3 – Pocket	X	
Dave Tamayo	Planning Area 4- South Sacramento	X	
Brett Williams	Planning Area 5- East Broadway		X
John Deglow	Planning Area 6- East Sacramento	X	
Bruce Pomer	Planning Area 7- Arden/Arcade	X	
Leo Lujan	Planning Area 8- North Sacramento	X	
Deirdre Price	Planning Area 9- South Natomas	X	
Sheila DeBlonk	Planning Area 10- North Natomas		X
Virginia Guadiana	Planning Area 11- Airport/Meadowview		X
TOTAL MEMBERS PRESENT- Quorum is 6 members		8	3

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MARCH 2006 DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

The draft March 2006 regular meeting minutes were approved as amended to correct clerical errors. Staff will make corrections and finalize the minutes.

4. PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Members of the Southside Park Neighborhood Association commented about Southside Park including recommending the addition of trees on the southern border to provide a screen from traffic and noise, and concerns about the condition of the lake, the restocking of fish in the lake, pesticide use in the park, trash pick up, and irrigation of trees. A representative from the Oak Park Neighborhood Association expressed dissatisfaction with the outcome of a meeting between Oak Park Community Center staff and citizens regarding the Center. Department staff will follow up on these issues.

CONSENT ITEMS:

5. PROPOSED PARK NAME AND MASTER PLAN FOR AIRFIELD PARK

Commissioner Lynn expressed concern about the restroom feature being an additive alternate only if funding allows, particularly as the park will have a playground and draw children who need restroom facilities.

Motion approved to support naming the park “Airfield Park”, the park master plan, and to place a higher priority on constructing restrooms when funding is available.

Motion made by: Lynn
Seconded: Pomer
Ayes: Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Raya, Williams, Price, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

6. PROPOSED PARK NAME AND MASTER PLAN FOR ROCKET PARK

Motion approved to support naming the park “Rocket Park” and to support the park master plan.

Motion made by: Lynn
Seconded: Pomer
Ayes: Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Raya, Williams, Price, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

7. PROPOSED PARK NAME AND MASTER PLAN FOR ADVENTURE PARK

Motion approved to support naming the park “Adventure Park” and to support the park master plan.

Motion made by: Lynn
Seconded: Pomer
Ayes: Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Raya, Williams, Price, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

8. PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE MASTER PLAN FOR JOHN MACKEY
MEMORIAL PARK AT KENWOOD OAKS

Motion approved to support the revised master plan for John Mackey Memorial Park at Kenwood Oaks.

Motion made by: Deglow
Seconded: Pomer
Ayes: Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Raya, Williams, Price, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

9. PROPOSED MASTER PLAN FOR MUIR PARK

Motion approved to support the master plan for Muir Park.

Motion made by: Deglow
Seconded: Pomer
Ayes: Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Raya, Williams, Price, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

10. SOUTHSIDE PARK LAKE REHABILITATION MASTER PLAN REVIEW

Commissioners and staff discussed continuing plans and activities to increase water circulation, clarity, and reduce algae.

Motion approved to support the Southside Park Lake Rehabilitation Master Plan for Phase I and future improvement phases.

Motion made by: Deglow
Seconded: Raya
Ayes: Raya, Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan, Price
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Absent: Williams, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

STAFF REPORTS:

11. STATUS REPORT ON A SPORTS FIELD STUDY

Superintendent Alan Boyd reviewed the staff report and next steps in the study. Commissioners advised staff to discuss sports field use, types and gender of user groups, and field design and maintenance with both school principals and school athletic directors; to research how sports fields are actually being used which may affect field design, maintenance and/or renovation needs (such as school football fields being used for girls soccer). Partnering with user groups was encouraged, as well as engaging with user groups to provide volunteer support, funding and/or advocacy.

12. SUPPORT THE DRAFT *2006 PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMMING GUIDE*

Staff reviewed the community outreach process, the final draft guide and the top unfunded priority projects both regionally and by planning area. Staff commented that trends emerged in park and recreation facility needs including requests for more park safety lighting, park clubhouses, jogging paths, natural resource areas and assessments of park trees.

Commissioners discussed the overall planning, development and funding process as well as specific needs such as disabled access to park facilities, proposed school facilities, and specific needs and opportunities in the Pocket, Fruitridge, South Natomas, East Sacramento, Lemon Hill and other neighborhoods.

Motion approved to support the *2006 Parks and Recreation Programming Guide*.

Motion made by: Price
Seconded: Raya
Ayes: Raya, Cooke, Lynn, Tamayo, Deglow, Pomer, Lujan, Price
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Williams, DeBlonk, Gaudiana

COMMISSIONER'S IDEAS, QUESTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Raya requested the Commission agendize a report from the Urban Forest Services Committee for the May meeting.

Commissioner Tamayo requested the Commission's Park Maintenance Services Committee meet to discuss integrated pest management policy and practices and insecticide use at Southside Park.

Chair Cooke recommended staff look into any measures to discourage dog owners from

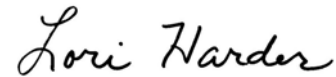
letting their dogs off-leash in parking lots and other park areas before entering an off-leash dog park.

Chair Cooke received input on a draft letter to the Mayor and Council regarding the reuse of the Jibboom Street Historic Power Station as discussed at the March meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

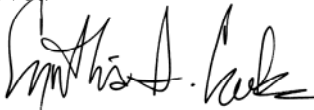
The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Lori Harder, Support Services Manager
Department of Parks and Recreation

Approved:



Cindy Cooke, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission