



Meeting Minutes City of Sacramento Parks and Recreation Commission

COMMISSION MEMBERS

George Azar
Jonathan Rewers
Jeff Harris

Cindy Cooke
Malachi Smith
Dave Tamayo

Araceli Mercado
Virginia Guadiana
David Heitstuman

Jay Hansen
Brandon Beaver

CITY STAFF:

*Jim Combs, Director of Parks and Recreation
Lori Harder, Support Services Manager*

**Historic City Hall Hearing Room
915 I Street
September 1, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.**

Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Cooke at 7:10 p.m. All commissioners were present except Commissioners Tamayo and Heitstuman. Chair Rewers arrived at 7:15 p.m.

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda

1. None

Public Hearings

2. None

Special Oral Presentation

3. None

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 August 4, 2011

Contact: Lori Harder, Support Services Manager, 808-5172

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to approve as mailed. (Harris/Mercado: Ayes: Azar, Harris, Cooke, Smith, Mercado, Guadiana, Hansen; Abstain: Beaver; Absent: Rewers, Tamayo and Heitstuman)

5. Update on Fiscal Year 2012 Partnership with Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) and Elk Grove Unified School District: Sacramento START, Passages and/or ASES

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Information

Contact: Alan Tomiyama, Recreation Manager, 808-8958; Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, 808-6076

In response to a question by Chair Rewers, staff stated after school service contracts with Sacramento City Unified School District are for three years, and that feedback on service proposals is forthcoming from the Sacramento City Unified School District.

Action: Received and filed.

6. City of Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation Landscape & Lighting Funded Youth Summer Work Program Update

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Information

Contact: Shannon D. Brown, Park Operations Manager, 808-4070

In response to a question by Chair Rewers, staff provided additional information on the youth work program and responded to questions about sponsorship costs for youth work teams.

Action: Received and filed.

7. Transmittal of Update to the City Council on Operational Plans for City Community Centers and Clubhouses

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Information

Contact: Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, 808-6076

Action: Received and filed.

8. Support City Applications for Proposition 84 River Parkways Competitive Grant Program

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Support applications for Proposition 84 River Parkways Grant for recreation, habitat and conservation and interpretive enhancement improvements to the American River Parkway and Sutter's Landing, Docks Riverfront Promenade – Phase II, Township 9 Riverfront Park, and Powerhouse Science Center Park.

Contact: Lori Harder, Support Services Manager, 808-5172; Camille Wise, Program Specialist, 808-8830

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to support applications for Proposition 84 River Parkways Grants for recreation, habitat and conservation and interpretive enhancement improvements to the American River Parkway and Sutter's Landing, Docks Riverfront Promenade – Phase II, Township Riverfront Park, and Powerhouse Science Center. (Guadiana/Harris: Ayes: Azar, Harris, Cooke, Smith, Mercado, Guadiana, Hansen, Beaver; Absent: Rewers, Tamayo and Heitstuman)

Discussion/Action Reports

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

9. Oak Park Community Center Expansion Update and Schematic Design Presentation

Location: Council District 5, Planning Area 5

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Jeff Blanton, General Services Department, 808-8423

Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, Jeff Blanton, Associate Architect, General Services Department, and Matt Hertel, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, reviewed the project scope and preliminary plans, timeline and public review process, including realignment of 9th Avenue and a new plaza. The project plans include removal of heritage trees and planting new trees as part of the project. Staff confirmed the trees would be noticed and subject to review under the City Code regarding heritage trees.

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to support the Oak Park Community Center expansion project and schematic design. (Guadiana/Mercado: Ayes: Azar, Harris, Cooke, Rewers, Smith, Mercado, Guadiana, Hansen, Beaver; Absent: Tamayo and Heitstuman)

10. Amendment to City's Telecommunications Policy and Fee Schedule

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: J.P. Tindell, Parks Planning and Development Manager, 808-1955, William Sinclair, General Services Department, 808-1905

Mary deBeauvieres, Principal Planner, and Bill Sinclair, Real Estate and Asset Manager, General Services Department, reviewed the item. Staff and commissioners discussed proposed revenue changes, City property leasing vs. permitting, input from telecommunications companies, how locations for new equipment are determined,

public notification processes for proposed sites, and how current and abandoned sites are managed.

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to: support the proposed amendment to the City of Sacramento's telecommunications policy and fee schedule; recommend to the Planning Commission to consider increasing the notification radius for new sites from 500 feet to 2500 feet and notice park permittees should the proposed site be in a City park, and keep lease revenues within the City planning area. (Cooke/Guadiana: Ayes: Azar, Harris, Cooke, Rewers, Smith, Mercado, Guadiana, Hansen, Beaver; Absent: Tamayo and Heitstuman)

11. Private Security in City Parks

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, 808-6076; Greg Narramore, Recreation Superintendent, 808-6095

Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, reviewed the item. Commissioner Azar expressed concerns regarding adequate training and screening of security guards by private security companies. Ms. L.R. Roberts spoke to issues with smoking, drugs and unauthorized food sales in McClatchy Park.

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to support amendments to Sacramento City Code allowing access to City parks by private security guards under a permit issued by the director. (Guadiana/Beaver: Ayes: Harris, Rewers, Smith, Mercado, Guadiana, Hansen, Beaver; Nays: Azar; Abstain: Cooke; Absent: Tamayo and Heitstuman)

12. Parks and Recreation Commission Project to Secure a Hand Tool Trailer for Park Maintenance Volunteers

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Continue discussion from August 4, 2011; appoint ad-hoc committee

Contact: Lori Harder, Support Services Manager, 808-5172

Chair Rewers appointed Commissioners Hansen, Mercado and Harris to an ad hoc committee to determine how the Parks and Recreation Commission can secure a hand tool trailer for park maintenance volunteers.

13. Parks and Recreation Maintenance Assessment District and Engineering Study Update

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, 808-6076; Mark Griffin, Special District Manager, Finance Department, 808-8788

Dave Mitchell, Operations Manager, and Mark Griffin, Special District Manager, Finance Department, gave an update on the project and engineering study, and City senior management's determination to postpone the study pending action by the California State Supreme Court regarding property assessment measures under Proposition 218. Commissioners and staff discussed the situation, including activities, timing, costs, other types of assessments, and the need for public outreach should a parks maintenance ballot measure move forward with the City Council.

Action: Moved, seconded and carried to request the Parks and Recreation Commission's Landscape and Lighting Assessment for Park Maintenance Ad Hoc Committee meet with City staff to explore options and report back at the October 6, 2011 Commission meeting. (Rewers/Harris: Ayes: Azar, Harris, Cooke, Rewers, Smith, Mercado, Guadiana, Hansen, Beaver; Absent: Tamayo and Heitstuman)

14. Parks and Recreation Director Report (Oral): Resolution on Didion 4th R Program Supervisor Assignment; Review Highlights of August and September 2011

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Jim Combs, Parks and Recreation Director, 808-8526

Parents with students in the 4th R program at Didion School thanked staff for reviewing and cancelling a proposed staff transfer. Ms. Erin Gallup recommended measures for parent and public input in advance of any staffing changes for the 4th R program.

Dave Mitchell gave the Director's Report in the absence of Jim Combs, and spoke to community garden and skate park openings.

Questions, Ideas, and Announcements of Commission Members

Chair Rewers requested a review of swimming pool costs for Summer 2012 be discussed at the Commission's November 3rd for potential funding strategies to help keep pools open.

Adjournment

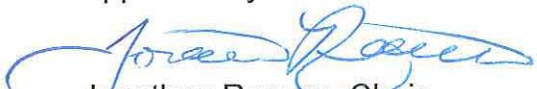
The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori Harder, Support Services Manager
Department of Parks and Recreation

Approved by:



Jonathan Rewers, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission