

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

**REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, December 1, 2005**

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

1. The Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Commissioner Cindy Cooke at 7:05 p.m. on the above date at the Clunie Community Center, B&C Meeting Rooms, 601 Alhambra, Sacramento CA 95816.
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		<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2005 DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

The draft November 2005 regular meeting minutes were approved as mailed.

4. REQUEST FOR THE EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COMMISSIONER DEGLOW

The Commission excused Commissioner Deglow for missing the past two regular meetings.

5. PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

6. RESERVATION AND REGISTRATION OFFICE- NEW SOFTWARE

Department of Parks and Recreation staff in the Registration and Reservation and Technology units reviewed a new software system that will provide significant automated functions and reporting capabilities, enable residents to register and pay for park and recreation facilities and activities through the Internet, provide individual and family accounts for multiple activities, and improve customer service overall.

Commissioners discussed with staff charging a higher park use fee to non-City residents, multi-lingual services and capabilities, and the ability of residents to view the availability of park and recreation facilities via the Internet with this new software.

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

7. HART TRUST FUND APPROPRIATIONS

Received and filed.

8. INFORMATION ON THE PARK MAINTENANCE SERVICES BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES STUDY

Commissioners recommended the study include a review of integrated pest management practices, natural space management practices, a comparison of maintenance services provided by City staff versus private contractors, consideration of park designs that affect maintenance, analysis of resources including funding allocations, and responsiveness to park user needs and requests.

9. PROPOSED PARK NAME CHANGE FROM "1-C" TO "SPARROW PARK" AND MASTER PLAN

Motion approved to support proposed park name change from "1-C" to "Sparrow Park" and park master plan.

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

10. PROPOSED REGENCY COMMUNITY PARK MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT, PHASE 2

Motion approved to support the Regency Community Park Master Plan Amendment, Phase 2.

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

11. PROPOSED TAHOE PARK MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT

Motion approved to support the proposed Tahoe Park master plan amendment.

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

12. REPORT BACK ON NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS WITH CONDITIONS AT MCKINLEY PARK

Park Maintenance staff reviewed several actions and efforts made improve conditions at McKinley Park in response to neighborhood concerns voiced at last month's Commission meeting. A resident commented further on the park restrooms and ruts in the jogging path. Staff will continue to follow up to improve conditions in the park.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

13. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2006

Commissioners and staff discussed meeting options for 2006. Commissioners would prefer to meet in City Hall or another centralized location in the winter months, and meet in the community at various park and recreation facilities in summer months when extended daylight hours would make it easier to find the facility and allow for an outdoor site visit. Staff will follow up and propose a new schedule.

14. PROPOSED CELLULAR TOWER FOR REICHMUTH PARK, NORTH LAGUNA PARK, NINOS PARKWAY AND DEL PASO REGIONAL PARK

Representatives from Cingular Wireless made a presentation on proposed towers and antennas for the above parks. Donald Sronce, Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commissioner, stated concerns regarding the lack of cell tower maintenance by cellphone companies and circulated a photo of a cell tower in the form of tree that had become an eyesore. Cingular Wireless representatives responded by reviewing improvements in design and durability of cell towers made to look like trees, and the process residents can utilize to address concerns about lack of maintenance.

Commissioners stated the City's public notification standard is inadequate when a new cellular tower or antenna is proposed to be located in a City park, and recommended to City Planning staff that public notification be expanded beyond residences within 1000 feet of a park.

Motion approved to support a cellular tower at Reichmuth Park on the condition that additional landscaping and trees be placed adjacent to the new tower to provide a windscreen for the tennis courts and to improve the aesthetics of the area, and that Councilmember Fong allocate the annual lease revenues to improve the park.

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

Motion approved to support cellular towers or antennas at North Laguna Park, Ninos Parkway and Del Paso Regional Park.

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

**COMMISSIONER'S IDEAS, QUESTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

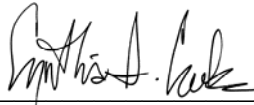
**ADJOURNMENT**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Lori Harder, Support Services Manager  
Department of Parks and Recreation

Approved:



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Cindy Cooke, Chair  
Parks and Recreation Commission