



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

October 4, 2018

6:30 p.m.

City Hall – 915 I Street – Council Chambers

Open Session – 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Flores at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Aguilar, Flores, Good, Guerrero, Heitstuman, Lavelle, Murphy, Rhodes

Absent: Commissioner Law

Arrived Late: Commissioner Malik and Bains

Public Comments-Matters Not on the Agenda (2 minutes per speaker)

None

Consent Calendar Estimated Time: 5 minutes

1. Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes for September 6, 2018

Contact: Ilee Muller, Administrative Analyst, (916) 808-1022, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Action: Approve Consent Calendar.

Moved/Seconded (Aguilar/Good)

Motion carried 8-Yes 0-No (Malik and Bains absent)

Discussion Calendar Estimated Time: 60 Minutes

2. Renaming of Mesa Grande Park as William Caston Park

Location: Council District 7

Recommendation: Adopt a motion to support the City Council's adoption to rename Mesa Grande Park as William Caston Park

Contact: Raymond Costantino, Park Planning Development Services Manager, (916) 808-1941, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Raymond Costantino, Park Planning Development Services Manager, provided an overview of William Caston and his contributions to the City of Sacramento.

Yoon Chao from Council District 7 shared Councilmember Jennings support in the adoption to rename Mesa Grande Park as William Caston Park.

Vice Chair Guerrero asked for some kind of marker or plaque that tells visitors what contributions the individual made to the Community.

Action: Motion to support the City Council's adoption to rename Mesa Grande Park as William Caston Park.

Moved/Seconded (Lavelle/Aguilar)
Motion carried 8-Yes 0-No (Malik and Bains absent)

3. Summer Oasis and Community Recreation

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Informational

Contact: Jackie Beecham, Recreation Superintendent, (916) 808-3818, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Rich Semenza, Program Coordinator with Community Recreation provided an overview of the Sacramento Softball Complex, Complex Upgrades, Leagues and who they serve. Mr. Semenza provided an overview of the Summer Oasis program at East Portal, Marriott, Regency, and William Land Park.

4. Strategic Plan Update

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a motion to support the City Council's approval of the Strategic Plan for the Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Contact: Shannon Brown, Interim Director, (916) 808-6076, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Shannon Brown, the Interim Director of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment Department, provided an overview of the purpose of the Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan will go to City Council October 30.

Cindy Mendoz, Senior Project Manager with MIG, provided an overview of the Strategic Plan intent, an overview of the Community survey, changes made in response to Commissioner comments, and next steps for the Department.

Action: Motion to support the City Council's approval of the Strategic Plan for the Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Moved/Seconded (Lavelle/Guerrero)
Motion carried 10-Yes 0-No

5. McKinley Park Water Vault Project

Location: Council District 3

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Dennis Day, Landscape Architect, (916) 808-7633, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment; James C. Yorita, Associate Civil Engineer, Department of Utilities (916) 808-1911

James Yorita provided an overview of the McKinley Park Water Vault Project. It would include installing a vault under the current baseball field to hold water during storm events.

Dennis Day provided an overview of the park improvements that will take place after the McKinley Park Water Vault Project is completed. The following improvements are proposed: new restroom, two large shade structures, seating areas with new picnic tables and BBQ's, new pathways throughout the park, new volley ball court, soccer fields (instead of the baseball field), trees, and grass and irrigation.

Mr. Will Green, a resident of McKinley Park, spoke in opposition of the McKinley Park Water Vault Project. Mr. Green asked that a split the sewer system be consider in the future.

Mr. Tom Griffith of the East Sacramento Improvement Association relayed the ESIA Board of Directors support of the McKinley Park Water Vault Project.

Mr. Brian Holloway of the East Sacramento Improvement Association expressed his support of the McKinley Park Water Vault Project.

Commissioner Good would like to ask staff to consider a future baseball field in the park.

Commissioner Guerrero commented that there is no full-size soccer field in East Sacramento, he supports the need of a soccer field.

6. Urban Forest Master Plan

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Raymond Costantino, Park Planning Development Services Manager, (916) 808-1941, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment; Lucinda Willcox, Program Manager, (916) 808-5052, Department of Public Works; Kevin Hocker, (916) 808-4996, Urban Forester, Department of Public Works

Lucinda Wilcox provided an overview of the Urban Forest Master Plan objectives, maintaining the tree cover, the plan schedule and process, the challenges to maintain an urban forest, and the public engagement process.

7. Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment Director Report (Oral): Review Highlights for September

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Informational

Contact: Shannon Brown, Interim Director, (916) 808-6076, Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Shannon Brown provided an update about the following items:

- Garcia Bend Levee Improvements; Construction Period: October 8 to November 16, 2018
- Verizon has partnered with the City of Sacramento to activate 27 parks with Wi-Fi throughout Sacramento– Freemont Park will be the first Park activated
- Highlighted her participation on the Urban Land Institute national panel and their charge to provide action-oriented solutions for how we get more equitable development in the area. It was essential to provide an outsider look at what we can be doing to improve the area overall.
- Provided an update on Aquatics; Recreation Swim: Served 88,492 participants in 2018; 30% increase from 2016; Swim Lessons: Served 1,986 participants in 2018; 54% increase from 2016
- Floating Pumpkin Patch bob for pumpkins, carnival games, and pumpkin decorating, Saturday, October 20 from 12 Noon – 2 PM at the Pannell Meadowview Pool
- Doggie Dip Days owners are invited to bring their favorite pups to play in the pool, Saturday, October 27 and 28 from 10 AM – 2 PM at the Pannell Meadowview Pool

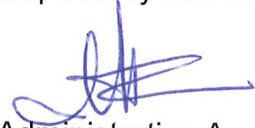
Member Comments-Ideas, Questions and Meeting/Conference Reports

None

Adjournment

Chair Flores adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Ilee Muller, Administrative Analyst
Department of Youth, Parks, & Community Enrichment

Approved by:



Joe Flores, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission