

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CTR.
2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, 9:00 AM**

Ben Goldberg, Chair
Julie Heggeness, Vice Chair

Stephen Scott, Interim Director
Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant



Ron Antonette, Commissioner
Ron Sievers, Commissioner
David Zanatta, Commissioner
Stella Ursua, Commissioner
Margo Morales, Commissioner

FINAL AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Goldberg at 9:00 a.m., at the El Dorado Park Senior Center.

ROLL CALL

Interim Director Scott took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Commissioners Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua,
Present: David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

GUESTS PRESENT:

Peter Ramirez - Long Beach Bacolod Association
Emily Rader - Resident
Lucy Johnson - Aquatic Capital
Christina Rosel - Long Beach Bacolod Association
Joseph Baltazar - Long Beach Bacolod Association
Gerardo Mouet - Visitor
Raman Vasishth - Resident

STAFF PRESENT:

Stephen Scott - Interim Director
Valerie Davis - Executive Assistant
Gladys Kaiser - Manager, Community Recreation Services
Leslie Untener - Interim Manager, Business Operations
Robert Livingstone - Superintendent of Golf Operations and Contracts Division
Meredith Reynolds - Park Development Officer, P.L.A.D.
Leah Salgado - PRM Analyst
Del Ransom - Bureau Assistant
Maria Gutierrez - RLS, Community Recreation Services
Joy Warren - Superintendent, Community Recreation Services
Michelle Wilson - Superintendent, Community Recreation Services
Sherlyn Beatty - Supervisor, Community Recreation Services
Andrea Lain-Rufino - Supervisor, Community Recreation Services

PRESENTATIONS

Employee of the Month - March 2018

Sherlyn Beatty introduced Maria Gutierrez as the March, Employee of the Month. Maria Gutierrez is an outstanding Rec. Spec X, Site Director for the WRAP Expanded Learning Program at Starr King Elementary School. Maria exemplifies the PRM Way and provides outstanding customer service daily. Her customer service does not just shine with our program participants, but also with her co-workers, staff, the school's personnel, and WRAP families. She has facilitated many successful family night events in partnership with the school including their First Father/Daughter Dance, Talent shows, and currently she is coordinating a Mother/Son Sports Extravaganza. Her attention to detail has been a benefit as she leads the way for her staff to create outstanding events and programs.

Michelle Wilson spoke.
Gladys Kaiser spoke.
Sherlyn Beatty spoke.
Commissioner Antonette spoke.
Interim Director Scott spoke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [18-021PR](#) Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of March 22, 2018.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ursua, seconded by Commissioner Antonette, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

HEARING

2. [18-022PR](#) Adopt a resolution and approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2018 (FY 18) General Park Fee changes and make such changes effective April 20, 2018. (Citywide)

Chair Goldberg opened the hearing at 9:10 am

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Chair Goldberg spoke.
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.
Commissioner Ursua spoke.
Commissioner Morales spoke.
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.
Commissioner Antonette spoke.
Raman Vasishth spoke.

Chair Goldberg closed the hearing at 9:29 a.m.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Antonette, to approve the resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

3. [18-023PR](#) Recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A", in accordance with the Fee Waiver policy.

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Gladys Kaiser spoke.
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.
Commissioner Antonette spoke.
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.
Peter Ramirez of Long Beach Bacalod Association (Sister Cities)
Gretchen Swanson spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Zanatta, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

4. [18-024PR](#) Recommend the placement locations of memorial or commemorative benches outlined in Attachment "A." (Citywide)

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Bob Livingstone spoke.
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Ursua, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION

5. [18-025PR](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for April, 2018.

Interim Director Scott spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Benjamin Goldberg - Chair

Vice Chair Heggeness provided the update. Review and discussion of the April Fee Waivers, Budget and Loss Report.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE

Julie Heggeness - Chair

Vice Chair Heggeness provided the update. Review and discussion of the April Fee Waivers, Budget and Loss Report.

JOINT USE COMMITTEE

Stella Ursua - Chair

Commissioner Ursua informed the Commission that the Committee did not meet.

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

David Zanatta - Chair

Commissioner Zanatta informed the Commission that the Committee did not meet.

Commissioner Sievers commented on the Red Car Greenbelt.

Vice Chair Goldberg commented on the Red Car Greenbelt.

Commissioner Zanatta commented on the Jackson Park playground equipment.

MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Margo Morales - Chair

Commissioner Morales informed the Commission that the Committee did not meet.

PARKS USAGE & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Stella Ursua - Chair

Commissioner Ursua informed the Commission that the Committee did not meet.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to Report.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity is given to those members of the public who would like to address the Parks and Recreation Commission on non-agenda items. Each speaker is limited to three minutes unless extended by the Parks and Recreation Commission. The Brown Act prohibits members of the Commission from responding to public comment on non-agenda items.

GUEST COMMENTS

Lucy Johnson, Aquatic Capital spoke.

Emily Rader Long Beach resident spoke.

Peter Ramirez of Long Beach Bacolod Association introduced members Christina Rosel and Joseph Baltazar

STAFF COMMENTS

Meredith Reynolds spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Valerie Davis spoke.

Interim Director Scott spoke.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Commissioner Ursua spoke.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Chair Goldberg spoke.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018,

at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, Senior Center located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Goldberg adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

NOTE:

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NOTE:

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