

**CITY OF LONG BEACH**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**December 18, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by President Ron Antonette, at 9:05 am, at El Dorado West Sr. Center, bridge room. Director Chapjian took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Ron Antonette  
 Benjamin Goldberg  
 Stacey Morrison  
 David Zanatta  
 Rudolph Galindo  
 Ron Sievers  
 Julie Heggeness

**Staff:** Director Chapjian, Director  
 Gladys Kaiser, Manager, Community Recreation Services  
 Stephen Scott, Business Operations  
 Hurley Owens – Acting Maintenance Operations Bureau Manager  
 Robert Livingstone, Business Operations  
 Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant  
 Leah Salgado, Analyst, PRM  
 Larry Rich – City Manager's Office of Sustainability

**Guests:** Silissa Smith – 1st District Council Office  
 Steven Passmore – Long Beach Grows  
 Laura Herzog – Honoring our Fallen  
 Michael Taibi – Boy Scouts  
 Jaime Guoz – Sierra Club/LB Beekeepers  
 Terri Owens Clark – LB Beekeepers  
 Andrew Clark – LB Beekeepers  
 Allison Anderson – 5th District Council Office  
 Henry Kirkland – LB Beekeepers  
 Barbara Sinclair – LB Beekeepers  
 Lucy Johnson – Aquatics Capital

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. 14-075PR Recommendation to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission minutes for November 20, 2014.

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

A motion was made by Vice President Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Galindo to approve the recommendation.

The motion carried:

**Yes:**  
**Commissioner Antonette**  
**Commissioner Goldberg**  
**Commissioner Zanatta**  
**Commissioner Galindo**  
**Commissioner Morrison**  
**Commissioner Sievers**  
**Commissioner Heggeness**

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Presentation to Eagle Scout Jordon Taibi for building and installation of benches at the El Dorado Dog Park.

## **COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS**

2.     **14-076PR**     Recommend the name Robert Gumbiner Park to the Housing and Neighborhood Committee for the park site located at Alamitos Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. (District 1)

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

Director Chapjian provided the staff report

Sillisa Smith – Council District 1 Chief of Staff spoke.

President Antonette spoke.

Vice President Goldberg spoke.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Director Chapjian spoke.

A discussion ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice President Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Zanatta to approve the recommendation.**

**The motion carried:**

**Yes:**  
**Commissioner Antonette**  
**Commissioner Goldberg**  
**Commissioner Zanatta**  
**Commissioner Galindo**  
**Commissioner Morrison**  
**Commissioner Sievers**  
**Commissioner Heggeness**

3.     **14-077PR**     Recommendation to authorize the Director, or his or her management designee, to execute the Personal Services and Instruction Agreements and amend Attachment "A" of the agreements as needed.

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

Gladys Kaiser provided the staff report.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Heggeness and seconded by Vice President Goldberg to approve the recommendation.**

**The motion carried:**

**Yes:**  
**Commissioner Antonette**  
**Commissioner Goldberg**  
**Commissioner Zanatta**  
**Commissioner Galindo**  
**Commissioner Morrison**  
**Commissioner Sievers**  
**Commissioner Heggeness**

- 4. 14-078PR** Recommend the placement locations of memorial or commemorative benches outlined in Attachment "A". (Citywide)

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Heggeness and seconded by Commissioner Morrison to approve the recommendation.**

Robert Livingstone provided the staff report.

Lucy Johnson spoke.  
President Antonette spoke.  
Vice President Goldberg spoke.  
Commissioner Galindo spoke.

**The motion carried:**

**Yes:**  
**Commissioner Antonette**  
**Commissioner Goldberg**  
**Commissioner Zanatta**  
**Commissioner Galindo**  
**Commissioner Morrison**  
**Commissioner Sievers**  
**Commissioner Heggeness**

- 5. 14-079PR** Approve the concept of a Memorial Wall in Rosie the Riveter Park to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who have died since September 11, 2001, and authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute a Right of Entry Permit and any other documents necessary for the installation of the Memorial Wall, with Honoring Our Fallen, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization based in Cypress, CA. (District 5)

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

Robert Livingstone provided the staff report.

Laura Herzog of Honoring our Fallen, spoke.  
Julie Heggeness spoke.  
Vice President Goldberg spoke.  
President Antonette spoke.  
Commissioner Sievers spoke.  
Allison Anderson, representative of the 5<sup>th</sup> District spoke.

**A motion was made by Vice President Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Heggeness to approve the recommendation.**

**The motion carried:**

**Yes:**  
**Commissioner Antonette**  
**Commissioner Goldberg**  
**Commissioner Zanatta**  
**Commissioner Galindo**  
**Commissioner Morrison**  
**Commissioner Sievers**  
**Commissioner Heggeness**

6. **14-080PR** Approve the development and permitted operation of a Bee Sanctuary within Willow Springs Park, and authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute a new Revocable Use Permit and any documents necessary, with Sierra Club, a 501(c)3 Corporation located in Los Angeles, CA, on behalf of Long Beach Beekeepers, for the aforementioned development and permitted operation of the same. (District 7)

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

Robert Livingstone provided the staff report.

Larry Rich spoke.  
President Antonette spoke.  
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.  
Commissioner Morrison spoke.  
Commissioner Sievers spoke.  
Henry Kirkland of the LB Bee Keepers spoke.  
Director Chapjian spoke.  
A discussion ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice President Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Heggeness to approve the recommendation.**

**The motion carried:**

**Yes:**  
**Commissioner Goldberg**  
**Commissioner Zanatta**  
**Commissioner Galindo**  
**Commissioner Morrison**  
**Commissioner Sievers**  
**Commissioner Heggeness**

**No:** **Commissioner Antonette**

Commissioner Zanatta requested to have the Commission updated on the Master Plan for Willow Springs Park.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION**

7. **14-081PR** Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for December of 2014.

Suggested action: Approve recommendation.

Director Chapjian provided the staff report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Galindo and seconded by Vice President Goldberg to receive and file the report.

The motion carried:

Yes: Commissioner Antonette  
Commissioner Goldberg  
Commissioner Zanatta  
Commissioner Galindo  
Commissioner Morrison  
Commissioner Sievers  
Commissioner Heggeness

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

President Antonette provided the update

The date of January 30, 2015 was chosen for the Annual P&R Commission Strategic Planning meeting. The meeting will be held from 8 am – 2pm. Tentative location, Long Beach Yacht Club.

### **FINANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**

The committee did not meet

Vice President Goldberg spoke.

### **MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

President Antonette provided the update.

### **MARKETING AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Commissioner Morrisson provided the update.

A. Special Events Report

### **PUBLIC SAFETY & PARK USAGE COMMITTEE**

The Committee did not meet.

A. Ranger Report

### **JOINT USE COMMITTEE**

The committee did not meet

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **Audience**

(This 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.)

Lucy Johnson spoke.

### **Staff Comments**

Gladys Kaiser reported we are ready for winter break for LBUSD and the success of the re-opening of Miracle on 4<sup>th</sup> Street Park after rehabilitation.

Valerie Davis reviewed the dates for committee meetings.

Hurley Owens stated he is looking forward to tackling challenges in the Maintenance Bureau in his Acting Manager role.

Director Chapjian spoke regarding the award the City received for the temporary Belmont Pool. He also spoke regarding potential additional funding for the ongoing Alamitos Bay rebuild project.

### **Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Zanatta wished everyone a happy holiday season and looks forward to working with Commission and staff in 2015

Commissioner Galindo wished all happy holidays and looks forward to working with us in the New Year.

Commissioner Morrisson wished everyone happy holidays and inquired about the Civic Center project.

Commissioner Heggeness wished everyone happy holidays.

Commissioner Sievers wished all a happy holiday season and spoke regarding his attendance at the last meeting plans for the new entryway to the Long Beach Nature Center.

President Antonette thanked everyone for a great year.

Commissioner Goldberg wished everyone a happy and prosperous holiday season and new year and he is very appreciative of all of the hard work of PRM staff.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am. Vice President Goldberg requested the meeting be adjourned in honor of Ashlee Armond, Millikan High School graduate and daughter and niece of two members of our Long Beach Police Department. She was tragically killed in a car accident on December 12, 2014.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 9 am, El Dorado West Community Center, Senior Center Library.

## **NOTE:**

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Respectfully submitted,  
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