

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

**THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CNTR
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 9:02 a.m., at the El Dorado Park Senior Center. Interim Director Scott took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

ROLL CALL

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Morales and seconded by Vice Chair Heggeness to excuse Commissioner Zanatta from the May 17, 2018, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Commissioners Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie

Present: Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Commissioners David Zanatta

Excused:

Guests Present:

Charles Parkin, City Attorney

Phillip Yandell, Pacific Talent Academy of the Arts

Roy Auega, Pacific Talent Academy of the Arts

Corliss Lee, Resident

Laura Herzog, Honoring Our Fallen

Mariela Salgado, Long Beach resident spoke.

Staff Present:

Stephen Scott - Interim Director and Valerie Davis - Executive Assistant

Business Operations

Leslie Untener, Robert Livingstone, Leah Salgado and Del Ransom

Community Recreation Services

Gladys Kaiser, Michelle Wilson and Ashleigh Griset

Maintenance Operations

Meredith Reynolds, Kelly Parkins, Jorge Acevedo, Paul Whitacre, Jermaine Washington, Jose Alfaro - Sandoval, Silverio Moreno, Maria Zavala, Jose Razo, Eriberto Noriz, Francisco Moguel, Antonio Guerrero, Brooklyn Hampton, Jose Rivera, Francisco Beral and Sergio Cordova

PRESENTATIONS

Employee of the Month - April 2018

Ashleigh Griset introduced Alex Gomez, as the April Employee of the Month. Alex joined the PRM team six (6) months ago, with his enormous smile and welcoming attitude. Within a matter of days, compliments were received from multiple staff at the park. Alex has an upbeat attitude and friendly demeanor. He is very helpful to others, even with his limited schedule.

Alex goes above and beyond to make sure that the facility is ready for the public and goes to great lengths to clean patio areas and windows at sites where we encounter overnight homelessness. He voluntarily takes on challenges and always make sure that the facility is clean when the kids arrive for the afterschool program.

Alex takes pride in his job, has great attitude and is a great addition to the PRM team! He is something to praise!

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Michelle Wilson spoke.

Jorge Acevedo spoke.

Ashleigh Griset spoke.

Interim Director Scott spoke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. 18-026PR Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of April 19, 2018.

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

2. 18-027PR 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 Ursua spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

3. 18-028PR 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.

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Gladys Kaiser 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: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

4. 18-029PR Recommend to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee the name "John Parkin Greenspace" or something similar, for the greenspace/median located between 1st Street and Loma Ave. (District 3)

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Bob Livingstone spoke.
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.
Commissioner Antonette spoke.
Charles Parkin spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

5. 18-030PR Approve Special Event Permit Application #18-09690 of the Pacific Talent Academy of the Arts, a Domestic non-profit corporation, for the operation of the Weekend in Polynesia Cultural Heritage Celebration in Recreation Park, including the Bandshell, with parameters determined by the Office of Special Events and Filming and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine and paying applicable fees. (District 3)

OR

Determine the proposed activity does not provide a sufficient overall public benefit and deny Special Event Permit Application #18-09690 of the Pacific Talent Academy of the Arts, a Domestic non-profit corporation, for the operation of the Weekend in Polynesia Cultural Heritage Celebration in Recreation Park, including the Bandshell. (District 3)

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Bob Livingstone spoke.
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.
Phillip Yandel spoke.
Roy Asuega spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

6. 18-031PR Recommend the placement location of a memorial or commemorative bench outlined in Attachment "A." (Citywide)

Interim Director Scott spoke.
Bob Livingstone spoke.
Commissioner Morales spoke.
Chair Goldberg spoke.
Commissioner Antonette spoke.
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

7. 18-032PR Approve Special Event Permit Application #18-09814 of Bikeable Communities, a domestic nonprofit corporation, for the conduct of the Willow Springs Gravel Grinder, a pilot urban gravel bike race, in Willow Springs Park, with parameters determined by the Office of Special Events and Filming and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine and paying applicable fees. (District 7)

Or

Determine the proposed activity does not provide a sufficient overall public benefit and deny Special Event Permit Application #18-09814 of Bikeable Communities, a domestic nonprofit corporation, for the conduct of the Willow Springs Gravel Grinder, an urban gravel bike race, in Willow Springs Park. (District 7)

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

8. 18-033PR Receive and file a verbal report from the Executive Director of Honoring our Fallen, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization based in Cypress, California, related to progress made toward the completion of the Memorial Wall and plans for the "Global War on Terror Wall of Remembrance" in Rosie the Riveter Park. (District 5)

Interim Director Scott spoke.

Bob Livingstone spoke.

Chair Goldberg spoke.

Commissioner Antonette spoke.

Laura Herzog, Honoring Our Fallen spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Ursua, to receive and file the report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

9. 18-034PR Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for May, 2018.

Interim Director Scott spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

Excused: 1 - David Zanatta

COMMITTEE STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Benjamin Goldberg - Chair

Chair Goldberg provided the update. Reviewed and discussed the May Agenda Items.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE

Julie Heggeness - Chair

Vice Chair Heggeness provided the update. Reviewed and discussed the May Fee Waivers, Water Usage and the 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 Morales informed the Commission the the Committee did not meet.

MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Margo Morales - Chair

Commissioner Morales provided the update. Reviewed and discussed future marketing concepts for recreational programming.

PARKS USAGE & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Stella Ursua - Chair

Commissioner Ursua provided the update. Reviewed and discussed field usage and the creation marketing sponsorships and partnering with various like organizations.

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

Corliss Lee, Long Beach resident spoke.

Mariela Salgado, Long Beach resident spoke.

STAFF COMMENTS

Meredith Reynolds spoke.

Kelly Parkins spoke.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Sievers spoke.
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.
Chair Goldberg spoke.

COMMITTEE MEETING REMINDERS

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE - Friday, June 1, 2018, 9:00 a.m.
- PRM Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE - Thursday, June 14, 2018, 3:00 p.m. - PRM
Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Thursday, June 14, 2018, 2017, 4:00 p.m. - PRM
Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, June 21, 2018, at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Goldberg adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

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Kung nais ang interpretasyon ng sinasalitang wika para sa mga taong hindi nagsasalita ng Ingles o kung nais ang isang natatanging tulong ayon sa Americans with Disabilities Act, mangyaring isagawa ang iyong hiling sa pamamagitan ng telepono sa Opisina ng Clerk ng Lungsod sa (562) 570-6101, 24 oras ng negosyo bago ang pagpupulong ng Charter Commission.

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NOTE:

If written language translation of the Commission agenda and minutes for non-English speaking persons is desired, please make your request by phone to the Office of the City Clerk at (562) 570-6101, 72 business hours prior to the Commission meeting.

Kung nais ang pagsasalin ng nakasulat na wika ng agenda ng Komisyon at ang minutes para sa mga taong hindi nagsasalita ng Ingles, mangyaring isagawa ang iyong hiling sa pamamagitan ng telepono sa Opisina ng Clerk ng Lungsod sa (562) 570-6101, 72 oras ng negosyo bago ang pagpupulong ng Commission.

Si desea obtener la traducción escrita en otro idioma de la agenda y actas de la comisión para personas que no hablan inglés, haga su solicitud por teléfono a la Oficina de la Secretaría Municipal al (562) 570-6101, 72 horas hábiles antes de la reunión de la comisión.

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