

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

**THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CNTR
SENIOR CENTER LIBRARY
2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, 9:00 AM**

Ron Antonette, President
Ben Goldberg, Vice President



Julie Heggeness, Commissioner
Stacey Morrison, Commissioner
Ron Sievers, Commissioner
David Zanatta, Commissioner

George Chapjian, Director
Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING - 9:00 A.M.

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, Library. Director Chapjian took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

ROLL CALL

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Commissioners Julie Heggeness, Stacey Morrison, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta,
Present: Benjamin Alan Goldberg and Ron Antonette

Staff Present:

Director Chapjian, Director
Gladys Kaiser, Manager, Community Recreation Services
Stephen Scott, Business Operations
Hurley Owens – Acting Maintenance Operations Bureau Manager
Robert Livingstone, Business Operations
Leah Salgado, Analyst, PRM
Del Ransom, Community Recreation Services

Guests:

Emir Sayyid
Fred Townes
Susan Miller
Lucy Johnson
Greg Adler
Ann Cantrell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [15-018PR](#) Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of March 19, 2015.

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

Yes: 6 - Julie Heggeness, Stacey Morrison, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Benjamin Alan Goldberg and Ron Antonette

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation to March 2015 Employee of the Month Fred Towns
Presentation to outgoing Commissioner Rudolph Galindo

COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

HEARING

2. [15-019PR](#) Adopt a resolution and approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2015 (FY 15) General Park fees and fee changes and make such changes effective April 17, 2015.

Del Ransom administered the oath to those testifying at the hearing.

Vice President Goldberg spoke.

Director Chapjian spoke.

Lucy Johnson spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Julie Heggeness, Stacey Morrison, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Benjamin Alan Goldberg and Ron Antonette

3. [15-020PR](#) Recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A" in accordance with the Fee Waiver Policy.

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

Yes: 6 - Julie Heggeness, Stacey Morrison, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Benjamin Alan Goldberg and Ron Antonette

4. [15-022PR](#) Authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary to issue a revocable use permit to California Heights Parent Participation Nursery School, Inc. for the operation of a cooperative nursery school; including the nonexclusive use of the playground and continued placement/use of a storage shed at Somerset Park; and the nonexclusive use of the playground at Cherry Park as a backup site; on a month-to-month tenancy at the discretion of the Director. (District 7)

Bob Livingstone provided the staff report.

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

Yes: 6 - Julie Heggeness, Stacey Morrison, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Benjamin Alan Goldberg and Ron Antonette

5. [15-023PR](#) Recommend the placement location of a memorial or commemorative bench outlined in Attachment "A". (District 3)

This PR-Agenda Item was withdrawn

DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION

6. [15-021PR](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for April of 2015.

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

Yes: 6 - Julie Heggeness, Stacey Morrison, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Benjamin Alan Goldberg and Ron Antonette

CORRESPONDENCE

Rudolph Galindo - resignation as Parks & Recreation Commissioner
Grace Earl - El Dorado Park Soccer Fields

COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President Antonette - Chair

President Antonette provided the report.

Discussion of agenda and upcoming special meeting (date to be determined) on artificial turf.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE

Vice President Goldberg - Chair

Vice President Goldberg provided the update.

The 2015/2016 budget was discussed.

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

President Antonette - Chair

President Antonette provided the report.

The committee met at Willow Springs Park and toured the property and reviewed the master plan.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

President Antonette spoke.

Stephen Scott provided an update on the Governor's executive order on water restrictions. We are working with our Water Department to understand impacts.

President Antonette spoke.

Stephen Scott spoke.

Director Chapjian spoke.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

A discussion ensued.

MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Commissioner Morrison - Chair

The Committee did not meet.

PUBLIC SAFETY & PARKS USAGE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Heggeness - Chair

The Committee did not meet.

A. Ranger Report

The report was reviewed.

President Antonette spoke.

JOINT USE COMMITTEE MEETING - AD HOC

Vacant - Chair

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Sievers discussed receiving some calls and being approached by residents about fishing line, hooks, and debris at the duck ponds. Commissioner Sievers would like the Maintenance and Infrastructure Committee to take a look at the issue.

President Antonette spoke.

Director Chapjian spoke.

Ann Cantrell spoke.

Vice President Goldberg spoke.

PUBLIC COMMENT: IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ADJOURNMENT

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.

Susan Miller spoke regarding bird nesting season.
Vice President Goldberg spoke.
Director Chapjian spoke.
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Ann Cantrell spoke regarding dogs being off leash illegally transvering the parking lot and beach to Rosie's Dog Beach and fencing off of the trees in the Belmont parking lot.
Director Chapjian spoke.
Susan Miller spoke.
Vice President Goldberg spoke.
Ann Cantrell spoke.

STAFF COMMENTS

Gladys Kaiser highlighted the profile in our newsletter of one of our class instructors.

Robert Livingstone advised we are working with Virginia Country Club to assist with tee times for their members when they close the country club to re-do the fairways.

Hurley Owens spoke regarding hiring of our new Landscape Superintendent and he looks forward to working on our challenges with water.
Commissioner Sievers asked for a status on the tree inventory. Mr. Owens stated the inventory is in draft form and under review.

Director Chapjian announced he is looking forward to introducing our new landscape superintendent and park planning officer.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice President Goldberg gave a report on Dirtbag baseball.

President Antonette stated we will be busy in the coming months.

COMMITTEE MEETING REMINDERS

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE - Friday, May 1, 2015 - 9:00 AM,
Administration Building, Small Conference Room

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE - Wednesday, May 13, 2015 - 3:00 PM,
Administration Building, Small Conference Room

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Wednesday, May 13, 2015 - 4:00 PM, Administration
Building, Small Conference Room

PUBLIC SAFETY & PARK USAGE COMMITTEE - Thursday, May 21, 2015 - 8:00 AM,
Administration Building, Small Conference Room

NEXT MEETING

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2015, at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, Senior Center Library located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am

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