

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

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016  
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CNTR  
SENIOR CENTER LIBRARY  
2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, 9:00 AM**

Ben Goldberg, President  
Julie Heggeness, Vice President  
  
Marie Knight, Director  
Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant



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

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**FINAL AGENDA AND APPROVED MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by President Goldberg at 9:06 a.m., at the El Dorado Senior Center Library. Director Marie Knight took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and

**Present:** Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Commissioners** Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

**Absent:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Antonette and seconded by Commissioner Morales to excuse Vice President Heggeness and Commissioner Ursua from the October 20, 2016 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Marie Knight, Director  
Stephen Scott, Business Operations Bureau Manager  
Gladys Kaiser, Community Recreation Services Bureau Manager  
Hurley Owens, Maintenance Operations Bureau Manager  
Robert Livingstone, Superintendent Contracts and Golf Operations  
Meredith Reynolds, Park Planning Officer  
Marley Williams, Management Assistant  
Joy Warren, Superintendent, Community Recreation Services  
Michelle Wilson, Superintendent, Community Recreation Services  
Del Ransom, Community Recreation Services Bureau Secretary  
Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant

**GUESTS:**

Susan Miller, resident  
Ketty Citterow - resident  
Ann Cantrell, resident  
Lucy Johnson, Aquatics Capital of America  
William Hong, St. Gregory's Catholic Church

**PRESENTATIONS**

Employee of the Month - August & September, 2016

Michelle Wilson presented the Employee of the month for August, 2016 to PRM Recreation Services Analyst, Jeff Brown. Jeff has been instrumental in the implementation of the ActiveNet program.

Joy Warren presented the Employee of the month for September, 2016 to PRM Recreation Services Supervisor of WRAP (Winners Reaching Amazing Potential), Etnangte Roeung. Etnangte's passion for the WRAP program inspires the program participants and employees every day.

Congratulations Jeff and Etnangte!

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [16-060PR](#) Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of September 15, 2016.

The motion carried with Commissioner Morales abstaining due to her absence from the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on September 15, 2016.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Ron Antonette, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Abstain:** 1 - Margo Morales

**Absent:** 2 - Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

## COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

2. [16-061PR](#) 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.

Gladys Kaiser provided the staff report.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Absent:** 2 - Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

3. [16-062PR](#) Recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A", in accordance with the Fee Waiver policy.

Gladys Kaiser provided the staff report.

Commissioner Antonette provided information gathered in the Finance & Appeals Committee meeting.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Antonette, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve Fee Waiver request with the exception of #6859, to be pulled for further discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Absent:** 2 - Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

President Goldberg spoke.

William Hong from St. Gregory's Catholic Church spoke.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Director Knight spoke.

A discussion ensued.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Antonette and seconded by Commissioner Morales to deny the fee waiver for request #6859 (St. Gregory's Catholic Church). The motion carried unanimously.**

4. [16-063PR](#) Support the relocation of a previously-approved storage container to an existing cement pad in proximity to Field #2 in El Dorado Park West and authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute an amendment to Right of Entry Permit P-00051, and any other necessary documents, with Los Altos Youth Baseball and Softball of Long Beach, Inc. a California non-profit corporation. (District 5)

Director Knight provided the staff report.

President Goldberg spoke.

Commissioner Antonette spoke.

Robert Livingstone spoke.

Ann Cantrell spoke.

A discussion ensued.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Absent:** 2 - Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

5. [16-064PR](#) Authorize the Director, or his or her management designee, to execute Personal Service Agreements for Homeland Cultural Center and amend Attachement "a" of the agreements as needed. (District 6)

Gladys Kaiser provided the staff report.

President Goldberg spoke.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Absent:** 2 - Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

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

6. [16-065PR](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community", for October, 2016.

Director Knight provided the staff report.

President Goldberg spoke.  
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.  
Commissioner Sievers spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Sievers, seconded by Commissioner Antonette, to receive and file the Director's Report for the month of October. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Absent:** 2 - Stella Ursua and Julie Heggeness

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

#### **COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS**

##### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Ben Goldberg, Chair

##### **FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE**

Julie Heggeness, Chair

The Committee met and discussed fee hearings.

Commissioner Antonette spoke.

Stephen Scott spoke.

President Goldberg spoke.

A discussion ensued.

##### **MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

Ron Antonette, Chair

The committee met at Davenport park. Meredith Reynolds provided the report.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Ann Cantrell spoke.

**MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

David Zanatta, Chair

The Committee met and discussed PRM website and social media.

**PARK USAGE COMMITTEE**

Stella Ursua, Chair

The Committee will meet in November.

**JOINT USE COMMITTEE**

Ron Sievers, Chair

The Committee will not meet. The City Joint Use Committee did not meet.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**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. The Brown Act prohibits the Commission from responding to public comments on non-agenda items.

Susan Miller spoke regarding homeless issues at the Belmont Pool area parks.  
Ann Cantrell spoke regarding the use of Round Up in City parks.  
    President Goldberg spoke.  
    Director Knight spoke.  
Lucy Johnson spoke regarding the recent Aquatics Capital of America Awards Dinner.  
    Commissioner Zanatta spoke.  
Ketty Gerterio spoke regarding homeless issues in Bixby Park.  
    Director Knight spoke.  
    Commissioner Morales spoke.  
    Commissioner Zanatta spoke.  
    Susan Miller spoke.

At 10:30 a.m. the Great American Shakeout was conducted. Stephen Scott provided an overview of PRM involvement in Citywide Disaster Management Operations.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

Gladys Kaiser thanked El Dorado Nature Center staff for their hard work on the annual plant sale.  
Stephen Scott introduced Marley Williams, Management Assistant.  
Hurley Owens reported the Maintenance Bureau is looking forward to the one-time additional funds coming forth from a couple of sources to fix some issues that have been on the list to be addressed for some time.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Sievers stated he participated in the El Dorado Nature Center plant sale.  
Commissioner Zanatta encouraged the Commissioners to "like" Parks, Recreation and Marine on their social media pages.

**COMMITTEE MEETING REMINDERS**



MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Thursday, October 20, 2016 - 8:15 a.m.,  
PRM Administration Building, Small Conference Room

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE - Friday, November 4, 2016 - 9:00  
a.m., Houghton Park

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE - Thursday, November 10, 2016 - 3:00 p.m., PRM  
Administration Building, Small Conference Room

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Thursday, November 10, 2016 - 4:00 p.m., PRM  
Administration Building, Small Conference Room

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2016, at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, Senior Center Library located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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