

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

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2017  
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CNTR  
SENIOR CENTER LIBRARY  
2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, 9:00 AM**

Ben Goldberg, Chair  
Julie Heggeness, Vice Chair

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 & APPROVED MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Goldberg at 9:00 am., at the El Dorado Park Sr. Center. Director Knight took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**Present:** Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Commissioners** Stella Ursua

**Excused:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Antonette, seconded by Commissioner Heggeness to excuse Commissioner Ursua from the November 16, 2017 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

YES - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Benjamin Goldberg, David Zanatta, Ron Sievers, Julie Heggeness

EXCUSED: Stella Ursua

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Marie Knight -Director  
Stephen Scott -Deputy Director  
Gladys Kaiser - Manager, Community Recreation Services  
Meredith Reynolds - Park Planning Officer  
Hurley Owens - Manager, Maintenance Operations Bureau  
Robert Livingstone - Superintendent of Golf Operations and Contracts Division  
Leah Salgado - PRM Analyst  
Del Ransom - Bureau Assistant  
Valerie Davis - Executive Assistant  
Michelle Wilson - Superintendent, Community Recreation Services  
Lori Jarmacz - Superintendent, Community Recreation Services

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Veronika Hoover- Lakewood resident  
Ashley Beverly- Fit 4 Mom LB  
AndreaCamz- Recreation Fitness  
Nikki Von Platon- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Sukhmani Bhullar- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Dani Reynoso- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Katie Belt- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Tracy Sattler- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Michelle Warshauer- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Luan Culwell- Recreation Fitness  
Cate Rilla- Fit 4 Mom LB  
JoAnna Sjoberg- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Cristal Pearson- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Rita Vasquez- LARPBO  
Feliz Hgilera- LARPBO  
June Magilnack- resident  
Jane Netherton - LBCF  
Paul Gonzales - Long Beach Transit  
Michael Gold - Long Beach Transit  
Sara Adams - Recreation Fitness  
Jami Johnson - Recreation Fitness  
Maria Carrillo - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Emily Glynn -- Fit 4 Mom LB  
Kristin Murphy - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Amy Givson - Fit 4 Mom LB

Marcelle Epley - LBCF  
Emily Duval Ledger - Recreation Fitness  
Ella Burnett - Recreation Fitness  
Samantha McGowan Recreation Fitness  
Kandina Soltier - Long Beach Boot Camp  
Erin Riordan - Long Beach Boot Camp  
Ray Soltani - Long Beach Boot Camp  
Monica Boogaard - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Danielle DeArakal - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Julie Moran - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Stephanie Magnen Rockwell - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Natalie Croswell - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Lis Hibbard - Fit 4 Mom LB  
Tealeye Corngo - LARPBO

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH - October, 2017**

Michelle Wilson introduced Lori Jarmacz. Lori introduced Heidi Mazas. Heidi is so deserving of the Employee of the Month. She came to Long Beach from Signal Hill approximately two years ago. She is very involved not only in the Department, but also at the State level with the California Parks & Recreation Society as an outstanding leader in training and mentoring. She is not afraid to jump in to whatever is needed and is getting ready to take on a new challenge in a new area of the City. Congratulations Heidi!

Gladys Kaiser spoke.  
Director Knight spoke.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. 17-073PR Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of October 19, 2017.

**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, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

### COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

2. [17-075PR](#) 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 Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Zanatta, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

3. [17-074PR](#) Recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A", in accordance with the Fee Waiver policy.

Gladys Kaiser provided the staff report.

Chair Goldberg spoke.  
Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.  
Mr. Gold from Long Beach Transit spoke.  
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Zanatta, to approve recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests for #12096, Long Beach Transit and #12095, Long Beach Transit. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

Vice Chair Heggeness made a motion and Commissioner Morales seconded the motion to approve the recommendation to approve Fee Waiver #12098, Dream Dads.

Commissioner Antonette spoke.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Chair Goldberg spoke.

Director Knight spoke.

Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.

Commissioner Morales offered a friendly amendment for approval to be contingent upon the group providing responses, in person or in writing, to the Commission at the December 2017 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting, regarding the benefit of the event to the community. Vice Chair Heggeness accepted the friendly amendment. The motion passed with the following vote:

**YES:** Benjamin Goldberg, Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Julie Heggeness, David Zanatta, Ron Sievers

**EXCUSED:** Stella Ursua.

**YES:** Benjamin Goldberg, Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Julie Heggeness, David Zanatta, Ron Sievers

**EXCUSED:** Stella Ursua.

Chair Goldberg requested Item #5 be heard after item #3.

5. [17-077PR](#) Support the proposed improvements to an undeveloped portion of Houghton Park, and recommend the City Council approve a two-year Right of Entry Permit and any other necessary documents, with the Long Beach Community Foundation, a California Nonprofit Corporation, and/or its agents, to make various improvements to Houghton Park, and to accept a donation of planning, labor and materials related to the various improvements. (District 9)

Robert Livingstone provided the staff report.

Chair Goldberg spoke.

Commissioner Morales spoke.

Marcelle Epley, President and CEO, Long Beach Community Foundation spoke.

Jane Netherton, of the Long Beach Community Foundation spoke.

Brian Ulaszewski of City Fabrick spoke.

Commissioner Zanatta spoke.

A discussion ensued.

**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, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

4. [17-076PR](#) Authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to create and implement a new policy for the regulation and administration of commercial recreational activities in City Parks. (Citywide)

Director Knight spoke.

Robert Livingstone provided the staff report.

Director Knight spoke.

Chair Goldberg spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Vice Chair Heggeness spoke.

A discussion ensued.

June Magilnich, resident spoke

Emily Duvall of Recreation Fitness spoke.

Commissioner Antonette spoke.

Mr. Roman spoke.  
Monica Boogaard of Fit 4 Mom spoke.  
Janie Johnson of Recreation Fitness spoke.  
Stephanie Rockwell of Fit 4 Mom spoke.  
Ella Burnette of Recreation Fitness spoke.  
Veronica Hoover, resident of Lakewood spoke.  
Elisa DelMora of LB Boot Camp spoke.  
Rita Vasquez spoke of LAPBRO spoke.  
Samantha McGowan of Recreation Fitness spoke.

Director Knight spoke.  
Chair Goldberg spoke.  
Robert Livingstone spoke.  
Commissioner Antonette spoke.  
Linda Vu - City Attorney spoke.  
Commissioner Zanatta spoke.  
Commissioner Sievers spoke.  
Commissioner Morales spoke.  
A discussion ensued.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Antonette, to approve the recommendation.**

**An amended motion was made by Commissioner Morales and accepted by Commissioner Antonette, to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to extend the date of sunset for existing permits until September 30, 2019, and begin drafting a new policy for the regulation and administration of commercial activities in City parks; during this time PRM staff should work with current permit operators to gather additional financial data that could help the Commission in making a final determination. The Director shall provide an update to the Parks and Recreation Commission by the June, 2018 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

6. [17-078PR](#) Recommend the placement locations of memorial or commemorative benches outlined in Attachment "A". (Citywide)

Robert Livingstone provided the staff report.

**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, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

Commissioner Zanatta excused himself from the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to attend a funeral.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION

7. [17-079PR](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for November, 2017.

Director Knight provided the update.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Heggeness, seconded by Commissioner Antonette, to receive and file the November Director's Report. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Ron Antonette, Margo Morales, Ron Sievers, David Zanatta, Julie Heggeness and Benjamin Alan Goldberg

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

## COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
Benjamin Goldberg - Chair

**FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE**  
Julie Heggeness - Chair

**MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**  
David Zanatta - Chair

No meeting was held

**MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
Margo Morales - Chair

No meeting was held

**PARKS USAGE & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE**  
Stella Ursua - Chair

No meeting was held

**JOINT USE COMMITTEE**  
Stella Ursua - Chair

No meeting was held

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**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 members of the Commission to responding to public comment on non-agenda items.

None

Gladys Kaiser provided information on holiday programming. The grand opening of the artificial turf field at Seaside Park will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 11 a.m.

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

Vice Chair Heggeness and all Commissioners requested the meeting be closed in honor of Jerry Caliguero, a true steward for the City.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, Senior Center Library located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Goldberg adjourned the meeting in honor of Jerry Caliguero at 10:58 a.m.

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