

Robert Livingstone, Chair
Susan Redfield, Vice Chair
Christopher Chavez, Commissioner



Sharleen Higa, Commissioner
Kasey Schoen, Commissioner
Silissa Uriarte Smith, Commissioner

Brent Dennis, Director
Jennifer Roberts, Executive Assistant

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Livingstone at 9:05 AM, at the Dr. Thomas J. Clark Community Center located at El Dorado Park West.

ROLL CALL

Director Brent Dennis took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Commissioners Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith,
Present: Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

STAFF PRESENT

Brent Dennis, Director

Stephen Scott, Deputy Director

Gladys Kaiser, Bureau Manager, Community Recreation Services

Hurley Owens, Bureau Manager, Maintenance Operations

Sherlyn Beatty, Partnerships Officer, Park Planning & Partnerships

Joy Warren, Superintendent, Community Recreation Services

Sheryl Bender, Superintendent, Personnel & Training

Jenny Roberts, Executive Assistant, Director's Office

Lidia Jauregui, Payroll Supervisor, Business Operations Bureau

Crystal Murphy, PPA, Business Operations Bureau

Renita Green, PPA, Business Operations Bureau

Shertrell Collins, PPA, Business Operations Bureau

Juan Rodriguez, Grounds Maintenance

Rhiannon Wilson, Supervisor, Community Recreation Services

Jeff Williams, Director of Community Engagement, Mayor's Office

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, City Manager's Office

GUESTS PRESENT

Barbara Pollack, Vice Chair, Ethics Commission

Suzette Zorale, Crossroads LB

Paul Montano, Crossroads LB

Anna Christensen, Los Cerritos Wetlands Task Force

Ariana Sahagun, Centro CHA

James Christian, Teach1Reach1Foundation

Vivianna Goh, Adventures to Dreams Enrichment

Sheila G. Adventures to Dreams Enrichment

Jon Vesely, L.B. Beekeepers

Jaime Guoz, L.B. Beekeepers

Mih, Citizen

Christina Pearce, Newcomb Academy

Trinka Rowsell, Executive Director, Partners of Parks

PRESENTATIONS

Juan Rodriguez from the Maintenance Operations Bureau was awarded Employee of the Month for June. Crystal Murphy, Renita Green and Shertrell Collins from the Business Operations Bureau was awarded Employee of the Month for July.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Jeff Williams, Director of Community Engagement, also spoke.

The City Attorney was not present, therefore the presentation will take place at a future Commission meeting.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Deputy Director Stephen Scott spoke.

Joy Warren spoke.

Hurley Owens spoke.

Sheryl Bender spoke.

Rhiannon Wilson spoke.

Juan Rodriguez spoke.

Shertrell Collins spoke.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Vice Chair Redfield spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

Commissioner Uriarte Smith spoke.

Commissioner Chavez spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. 23-048PR Recommendation to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2023.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith, Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

HEARING

2. 23-049PR Recommendation to receive the supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, and adopt a Resolution amending fee and changes for parks and recreation programs and the use of public parks and recreation facilities for Fiscal Year 2024.

Chair Livingstone opened the hearing at 9:38 AM and closed the hearing at 9:53 AM.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Deputy Director Stephen Scott spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Hurley Owens spoke.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

Commissioner Uriarte Smith spoke.

Commissioner Chavez spoke.

Sheila G. spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith, Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

COMMISSION ITEMS

3. 23-050PR Recommendation to consider approval, or denial, of the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A" in accordance with the Fee Waiver policy.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Vice Chair Redfield spoke.

Commissioner Uriarte Smith spoke.

James Christian spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

Ariana Sahagun spoke.

Trinka Rowsell spoke.

Christina Pearce spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith, Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

4. 23-051PR

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.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Commissioner Chavez spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Higa, seconded by Commissioner Uriarte Smith, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith, Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

5. 23-052PR

Recommendation to approve Special Event Permit Application #23-266 from Crossroads Church First Assembly, also known as Crossroads Long Beach, a California nonprofit corporation, to host the Back 2 School Jam at Scherer Park on August 26, 2023, with parameters determined by the Office of Special Events and Filming and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. (District 8)

Or

Determine the proposed activity does not provide a sufficient overall public benefit and deny Special Event Permit Application #23-266

from Crossroads Church First Assembly, also known as Crossroads Long Beach, a California nonprofit corporation, to host the Back 2 School Jam at Scherer Park on August 26, 2023. (District 8)

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Sherlyn Beatty spoke.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

Paul Montano spoke.

Suzette Zorale spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uriarte Smith, seconded by Commissioner Chavez, to approve permit application #23-266 from Crossroads Church First Assembly. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith, Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

6. 23-054PR Recommendation to excuse Commissioners absent from the meeting of the Parks and Recreation on August 17, 2023.

All Commissioners were present at the meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION

7. 23-055PR Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" and "Director's Highlights" for August 2023.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Vice Chair Redfield spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

Commissioner Schoen spoke.

Commissioner Uriarte Smith spoke.

Commissioner Chavez spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schoen, seconded by Commissioner Uriarte Smith, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Sharleen Higa, Kasey Schoen, Silissa Uriarte Smith, Christopher Chavez, Susan Redfield and Robert Livingstone

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jon Vesely spoke.

Jaime Guoz spoke.

Anna Christensen spoke.

Sheila G. spoke.

Trinka Rowsell spoke.

Vivianna Goh spoke.

Commissioner Uriarte Smith left the meeting at 10:51 AM.

STAFF COMMENTS

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Sherlyn Beatty spoke.

Hurley Owens spoke.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chair Livingstone spoke.

Vice Chair Redfield spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

Commissioner Schoen spoke.

Commissioner Chavez spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Livingstone adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

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