

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

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**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021  
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CNTR  
BRIDGE ROOM  
2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, 9:00 AM**

David Zanatta, Chair  
Mariela Salgado, Vice Chair

Brent Dennis, Director  
Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant



Sharleen Higa, Commissioner  
Robert Livingstone, Commissioner  
Susan Redfield, Commissioner  
Kasey Schoen, Commissioner  
Ron Sievers, Commissioner

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**FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Zanatta at 9:03 AM, at the El Dorado Park W. Community Center.

**ROLL CALL**

Director Brent Dennis took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

**Commissioners** Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron

**Present:** Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Commissioners** Kasey Schoen

**Excused:**

**STAFF PRESENT**

Brent Dennis, Director

Stephen Scott, Deputy Director

Gladys Kaiser, Bureau Manager, Community Recreation Services

Hurley Owens, Bureau Manager, Maintenance Operations

Nancy Villasenor, Bureau Manager, Park Planning & Partnerships

Alma Castro, Park Partnerships Officer, Park Planning & Partnerships

Jorge Acevedo, Superintendent, Facility Maintenance

Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant to the Director

Jenny Roberts, Admin Aide, Executive Office

Matthew George and Facility Maintenance Team

### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Trinka Rowsell, Executive Director, Partners of Parks

Randy Zarn, Partners of Parks

Barbara Moore, Chief of Staff, Council District 4

Ramon Quevedo, Boy Scout Troop 120

Everett Ferguson, Water Replenishment District

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Matthew George from the Maintenance Operations Bureau was awarded Employee of the Month for October.

Deputy City Attorney, Anita Lakhani, presented a presentation to the P&R Commissioners.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Deputy Director Stephen Scott spoke.

Hurley Owens spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Jorge Acevedo spoke.

Matthew George spoke.

Anita Lakhani spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Vice Chair Salgado spoke.

Commissioner Livingstone spoke.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. 21-070PR Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2021.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

### **COMMISSION ITEMS**

2. 21-071PR 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 Zanatta spoke.

Vice Chair Salgado spoke.

Trinka Rowsell spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Livingstone, seconded by Commissioner Redfield, to approve permits for Rose Park Neighborhood Associated and HoliDaze Chaci Brown. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

**A motion was made by Commissioner Livingstone, seconded by Commissioner Higa, to approve permit for Partners of Parks. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers and Mariela Salgado

**Abstain:** 1 - David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

- 3. 21-072PR** Recommendation to the City Council to authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to issue a Right-of-Entry Permit to the Water Replenishment District (WRD), a local government agency, for the installation of a monitoring well at El Dorado Park West; and

Recommendation to the City Council to authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any and all documents necessary for a License Agreement with WRD for operations and maintenance of the monitoring well from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024, with the option to renew for four (4) additional five-year terms. (District 5)

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Nancy Villasenor spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Vice Chair Salgado spoke.

Commissioner Livingstone spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Everett Ferguson spoke.

Deputy Director Stephen Scott spoke and advised to the Commission and staff that the second recommendation should be edited and presented at the December P&R Commission Meeting.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Livingstone, seconded by Commissioner Higa, to approve only the first recommendation to the City Council to authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to issue a Right-of-Entry Permit to the Water Replenishment District (WRD), a local government agency, for the installation of a monitoring well at El Dorado Park West. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

4. 21-073PR Recommendation to recommend to the Planning Commission the dedication of Tanaka Park as parkland, along with any further land use actions required for the dedication. (District 7)

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Nancy Villasenor spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Vice Chair Salgado spoke.

Commissioner Redfield spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

5. 21-074PR Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute Personal Service Agreements with various instructors to provide free and low-cost public cultural arts programs at the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine facilities, for a period of one year from September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022, with two, one-year options to renew through August 31, 2024, at the discretion of the Director. (Citywide)

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Alma Castro spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Vice Chair Salgado spoke.

Commissioner Livingstone spoke.

Trinka Roswell spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

6. 21-075PR Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute a Right-of-Entry Permit, and any other necessary documents, with Boy Scouts of America for a period of six months from November 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022, for the installation of educational signage at Orizaba Park. (District 4)

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Alma Castro spoke.

Hurley Owens spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.

Commissioner Livingstone spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Ramon Quevedo spoke.

Barbara Moore spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

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

7. 21-076PR Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" and "Director's Highlights" for November 2021.

Director Brent Dennis spoke.

Hurley Owens spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Vice Chair Salgado spoke.

Commissioner Livingstone spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Commissioner Redfield spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Sharleen Higa, Robert Livingstone, Susan Redfield, Ron Sievers, Mariela Salgado and David Zanatta

**Excused:** 1 - Kasey Schoen

## **COMMITTEE STATUS REPORT**

### **FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE**

Deputy Director Stephen Scott spoke.

Chair Zanatta spoke.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Chair Zanatta spoke.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments at this time.

## **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Chair Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

Commissioner Higa spoke.



**STAFF COMMENTS**

There were no staff comments at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Zanatta adjourned the meeting at 11:06 AM.

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