

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

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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2019  
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CNTR  
2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD, 9:00 AM**

Julie Heggeness, Chair  
David Zanatta, Vice Chair

Gerardo Mouet, Director  
Valerie Davis, Executive Assistant



Ben Goldberg, Commissioner  
Margo Morales, Commissioner  
Mariela Salgado, Commissioner  
Ron Sievers, Commissioner  
Stella Ursua, Commissioner

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**FINAL AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Heggeness at 9:02 a.m., at the El Dorado Park Senior Center.

**ROLL CALL**

Deputy Director Scott took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

**Commissioners** Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron  
**Present:** Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Allan Crawford, Bikeable Communities  
Kathleen Irvine, Wilmore City Heritage Association  
Danita Strauss, Youth Score Edutainment  
Mark Hopson, Khmer Parent Association  
Chan Hopson, Khmer Parent Association  
Dasin Chanou, Cambodian Coordinating Council  
Sithia San, Cambodian Coordinating Council  
Monoram Neth, Cambodian Coordinating Council  
John Reyes, South Coast Orchid Society  
Maira Covarrubias  
Lucy Johnson, Aquatic Capital of America  
Ann Cantrell, Park Ambassador  
Mary Donahue Gaiz  
Corliss Lee, Friends of El Dorado Park East  
Myron Wollin, Long Beach Gray Panthers

Monica Parilla, Semiles de Esperanza

**STAFF PRESENT**

Director's Office  
Stephen Scott - Valerie Davis - Del Ransom

Business Operations  
Leah Salgado

Community Recreation Services  
Gladys Kaiser - Michelle Wilson - Joy Warren - Daveth Yoak

Maintenance Operations  
Kelly Parkins

Marine Maintenance Operations  
Elvira Hallinan - Eric Woodson

Community Engagements and Partnerships  
Meredith Reynolds

**PRESENTATIONS**

**EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH - JANUARY 2019**

Edna Alverado Rodriguez was awarded Employee of the Month for January 2019.

**PRM STRATEGIC PLAN 2020**

Meredith Reynolds and Estephania Zavala presented the PRM Strategic Plan 2020 to the Commission.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. 19-002PR Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of December 20, 2018.

Chair Heggeness spoke.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

## **COMMISSION ITEMS**

2. 19-003PR Recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A", in accordance with the Fee Waiver policy.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Zanatta, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve permit numbers: 16961, 16962, 16963, 16964, 16965, 76966, 16971, 16973, 17708, 17046, to pull permit numbers 16486, 17071 and 17040 for discussion and to remove the waiver for the Cambodian Coordinating Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Deputy Director Scott spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Chair Heggeness spoke.

Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Goldberg spoke.

Naomi Rainey Pierson of the NAACP spoke.

Mike Donelon of the ASK Foundation spoke.

Kathleen Irvine of the Wilmore City Heritage Association spoke.

Marc Sullivan of Long Beach Youth Golf League spoke.

Chan Hopson, Khmer Parent Association spoke.

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

**A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve the permit number 16486 (Bikeable Communities).**

**A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to waive all but one hour each of the 24 dates at**

**the cost of \$11,040; permit number 16486 (Bikeable Communities), approved.**

Chair Heggeness spoke.  
Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.  
Commissioner Ursua spoke.  
Commissioner Morales spoke.  
Commissioner Salgado spoke.  
Commissioner Goldberg spoke.  
Commissioner Sievers spoke.  
Deputy Director Scott spoke.  
Gladys Kaiser spoke.  
Allan Crawford spoke.  
Joy Warren spoke.  
Lucy Johnson of Aquatic Capital of America spoke.

**Yes:** 5 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

**No:** 2 - Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Ursua to approve permit number 17071 (Youth Score Edutainment). The motion carried by the following vote:**

Gladys Kaiser spoke.  
Chair Heggeness spoke.  
Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.  
Commissioner Goldberg spoke.  
Commissioner Salgado spoke.  
Commissioner Morales spoke.  
Danita Strauss of Youth Score Edutainment spoke.

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Ursua to approve permit number 17040 (South Coast Orchid Society). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Gladys Kaiser spoke.**

**Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.**

**Commissioner Goldberg spoke.**

**John Reyes of South Coast Orchid Society spoke.**

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

- 3. 19-004PR** Approve and authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to issue a "Permit for the Operation of a Picnic Service Concession" with Team Play Events, Inc., at El Dorado Regional Park, El Dorado Park, and Recreation Park, for a term of nine months from April 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, with one, three-year option to renew through December 31, 2022, at the discretion of the Director.  
(Districts 3 and 5)

Chair Heggeness spoke.

Deputy Director Scott spoke.

Commissioner Goldberg spoke.

Commissioner Morales spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Ursua to approve and authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to issue a "Permit for the Operation of a Picnic Service Concession" with Team Play Events, Inc., at El Dorado Regional Park, El Dorado Park, and Recreation Park, for a term of nine months from April 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, with one, three-year option to renew through December 31, 2022, at the discretion of the Director. (Districts 3 and 5)**

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

4. 19-005PR Approve Special Event Application #19-10311 from the Cambodian Coordinating Council, a non-profit corporation, for the operation of the Cambodian New Year's Celebration in El Dorado Regional Park, Area III, with parameters determined by the City of Long Beach Office of Special Events and Filming and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. (District 5)

Or

Determine the proposed activity does not provide sufficient overall public benefit and deny the Special Event Application #19-10311 from the Cambodian Coordinating Council, a non-profit corporation, for the operation of the Cambodian New Year's Celebration in El Dorado Regional Park, Area III. (District 5)

Chair Heggeness spoke.

Deputy Director Scott spoke.

Meredith Reynolds spoke.

Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Goldberg spoke.

Monoram Neth of the Cambodian Coordinating Council spoke.

Sithia San of the Cambodian Coordinating Council spoke.

Dasin Chanou of the Cambodian Coordinating Council spoke.

Ann Cantrell, Park Ambassador spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Vice Chair Zanatta to approve Special Event Application #19-10311 for the Cambodian Coordinating Council, a non-profit corporation, for the operation of the Cambodian New Year's Celebration in El Dorado Regional Park, Area III, with parameters determined by the City of Long Beach Office of Special Events and Filming and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. (District 5)**

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

5. 19-006PR Approve the proposed improvements to baseball field 6 at El Dorado West Park and Authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary for a new Right of Entry Permit with Los Altos Youth Baseball and Softball of Long Beach, a non-profit corporation and/or its agents to facilitate the performance of the various improvements, for a period of two years with one, one-year renewal; authorize the Director to amend the scope of work as needed; and accept a donation of planning, labor and materials. (District 5)

Chair Heggeness spoke.  
Deputy Director Scott spoke.  
Meredith Reynolds spoke.  
Commissioner Goldberg spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve the proposed improvements to baseball field 6 at El Dorado West Park and Authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary for a new Right of Entry Permit with Los Altos Youth Baseball and Softball of Long Beach, a non-profit corporation and/or its agents to facilitate the performance of the various improvements, for a period of two years with one, one-year renewal; authorize the Director to amend the scope of work as needed; and accept a donation of planning, labor and materials. (District 5). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Benjamin Alan Goldberg, Margo Morales, Mariela Salgado, Ron Sievers, Stella Ursua, David Zanatta and Julie Heggeness

Commissioner Ursua was excused from the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

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

6. 19-007PR Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for February, 2019.

Deputy Director Scott spoke.

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

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

**Excused:** 1 - Stella Ursua

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Nothing to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Nothing to report.

### **COMMITTEE STATUS REPORT**

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Julie Heggeness - Chair

Chair Heggeness provided the update. Reviewed and discussed the 2019 February Agenda and 2018 December Minutes.

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

David Zanatta - Chair

Vice Chair Zanatta provided the update. Reviewed and discussed the FY 19 budget and the monthly Theft report.

Vice Chair David Zanatta spoke.

Deputy Director Scott spoke.

#### **JOINT USE COMMITTEE**

Chair Heggeness informed the Commission that the committee did not meet.



**MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

David Zanatta - Chair

Vice Chair Zanatta informed the Commission that the committee did not meet and will meet every other month.

**MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Margo Morales - Chair

Commissioner Margo Morales informed the Commission that the committee did not meet.

**PARKS USAGE & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE**

Mariella Salgado - Chair

Commissioner Salgado informed the Commission that the committee would be meet after the Commission meeting.

**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 from responding to public comment on non-agenda items.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Corliss Lee of the Friends of El Dorado Park East spoke.

Mary Donahue Gaiz spoke.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Meredith Reynolds spoke.

Kelly Parkins spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Valerie Davis spoke.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Sievers spoke.

### **COMMITTEE MEETING REMINDERS**

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE - Friday, March 1, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - PRM Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE - Thursday, March 14, 2019, 3:00 p.m. - PRM Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Thursday, March 14, 2019, 4:00 p.m. - PRM Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2019, at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Heggeness adjourned the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

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