

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

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018
EL DORADO PARK W. COMMUNITY CENTER
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

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

Gloria Bolanos, Resident
Penny Fischer, Resident
Pat Arndt, Wrigley Area Neighborhood Association
Jim Trout, Wrigley Area Neighborhood Association
Alexis Marrero, Stearns Park Neighborhood Association
John Malveaux, Long Beach Central Area Association
Mellissa Breuniz, Richard Breuniz Foundation
Craig Kessler, So. Cal Golf Association
E. Betty Anderson, Resident
Dewon Day, El Dorado Parks Ambassador Area 2-3
Benita Malone, Neighbor Committee
Corliss Lee, Friends of El Dorado East
Mary Parsell, El Dorado Audubon

LaQuesha Robinson, Healthline Youth Counseling
Elisea Grimald, SBCC Thrive LA
Don Gbarb, American Golf
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STAFF PRESENT

Gerardo Mouet - Director

Business Operations

Stephen Scott - Deputy Director - Robert Livingstone - Leah Salgado - Del Ransom

Community Recreation Services

Gladys Kaiser - Michelle Wilson - Ashleigh Griset - Joy Warren - Gabriel Cruz - Lachonda Harper -

Maintenance Operations

Hurley Owens - Meredith Reynolds - Kelly Parkins - Jorge Acevedo

PRESENTATIONS

Employee of the Month - July 2018

Yeselin is the assistant in the Field and Beach permits office. Although already busy in her current position, Yeselin stepped up to assist with the coordination of the Council Summer Concert Series.

In addition to those 2 time consuming responsibilities during the summer she has also been asked to assist in the Contract Class office. As a part time staff her hours are limited, so working with 3 different programs requires a lot of dedication and flexibility. She not only has agreed to take on all of the responsibilities, but she taken them on successfully.

This year she was also tasked with planning All City Beach Day for over 2000 youth.

Michelle Wilson spoke.

Gabriel Cruz spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Employee of the Month - August 2018

Lindsay began her role as Day Camp Director at Veterans Park this past Spring and was tasked with rebuilding the Day Camp program. She showed up to Vets with a huge smile and

a “can do” attitude. With great excitement and ownership, she quickly began working on organizing and designing the Day Camp room. She worked long hours to paint beautiful signs with vibrant colors and imagery to set the tone. She knew she had to make the program space bright and inviting and that’s exactly what she did.

Lindsay then began marketing the camp. Little by little pre-summer enrollment began to grow; not only had Lindsay grown the program, the kids that were coming to camp were returning, week after week. It was obvious, the kids LOVED her!

There were many times over the summer where outdoor challenges presented themselves and made Lindsay’s job tougher. Even so Lindsay maintained a positive and cheerful disposition, and expected that of her team. She has shown her team that even amongst challenges, we can shine!

Michelle Wilson spoke.

Ashleigh Griset spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [18-059PR](#) Recommendation to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of August 16, 2018.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, 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

FEE HEARING

2. [18-060PR](#) Adopt a resolution and approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 19) General Park fee changes and make such changes effective October 1, 2018.

9:22 a.m. - Chair Heggeness opened the Fee Hearing.

Director Mouet spoke.

Deputy Director Scott spoke.

9:27 a.m. - Chair Heggeness closed the Fee Hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve the resolution. 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 ACTION ITEMS

3. [18-061PR](#) Recommendation to approve the fee waiver requests outlined in Attachment "A," in accordance with the Fee Waiver policy.

Director Mouet spoke.

Gladys Kaiser spoke.

Pat Arndt of the Wrigley Area Neighborhood Association spoke

Alexis Marrero of the Stearns Park Neighborhood Association spoke.

John Malveaux of the Long Beach Central Area Association spoke.

LaQuesha Robinson of Healthline Youth Counseling spoke.

Elisea Grimaldo of SBCC Thrive LA spoke.

Mellissa Breunig of the Richard Breunig Foundation spoke.

Chair Heggeness spoke.

Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.

Commissioner Morales spoke.

Commissioner Ursua spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, 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

4. [18-062PR](#) Authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to amend Permit No. 35023 for a Railway Concession, with In Circus Entertainment, LLC, to reincorporate into the Permit Area, four of five reservable picnic sites that had been included in the previous railway concession permit but were initially deemed unneeded. (District 5)

Director Mouet spoke.
Robert Livingstone spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg, seconded by Commissioner Morales, 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

5. [18-063PR](#) Receive and file information on the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine weed control practices. (Citywide)

Director Mouet spoke.
Kelly Parkins spoke.
Craig Kessler spoke.
DonyGbarb spoke
Corliss Lee spoke.
Chair Heggness spoke.
Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.
Commissioner Goldberg spoke.
Commissioner Morales spoke.
Commissioner Sievers spoke.
Commissioner Salgado spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Vice Chair Zanatta, to receive and file the update on Weed Control Practices. 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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION

6. [18-064PR](#) Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report, "We Create Community" for September 2018.

Director Mouet spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, 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

COMMITTEE STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Julie Heggeness - Chair

Chair Heggeness provided the update. Reviewed and discussed the September Agenda and Commission Action Items.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE

David Zanatta - Chair

Vice Chair Zanatta provided the update. Reviewed and discussed the September Fee Waivers.

Deputy Director Scott provided the Finance and Loss Reports.

JOINT USE COMMITTEE

Stella Ursua - Chair

Commissioner Ursua 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.

MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Margo Morales - Chair

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

PARKS USAGE & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Stella Ursua - Chair

Commissioner Ursua informed the Commission that the committee did not meet.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

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.

GUEST COMMENTS

Mary Parsell spoke.

Alexis Marrero of the Stearns Park Neighborhood Association spoke.

Mary Parsell of the El Dorado Audubon spoke.

Benita Malone spoke.

STAFF COMMENTS

Director Mouet spoke.

Robert Livingstone spoke.

Kelly Parkins spoke.
Hurley Owens spoke.
Gladys Kaiser spoke.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Morales spoke.
Commissioner Ursua spoke.
Commissioner Sievers spoke.
Vice Chair Zanatta spoke.

COMMITTEE MEETING REMINDERS

MAINTENANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE - Friday, October 5, 2018, 9:00 a.m.
- PRM Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

FINANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE - Thursday, October 11, 2018, 3:00 p.m. - PRM
Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Thursday, August 9, 2018, 2017, 4:00 p.m. - PRM
Administration Building Small Conference Room - 2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach.

MARKETING & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Thursday, October 18, 2018, 2017, 11:00
A.m. - El Dorado Park West Community Center, located at 2800 N. Studebaker Road,
Long Beach.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, October 18, 2018, 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 11:05 a.m.

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