



MINUTES  
Special Meeting

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PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMISSION

Community Meeting Center  
11300 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92840

January 18, 2017

6:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL: COMMISSIONER BARON, COMMISSIONER GIBSON, COMMISSIONER PEREZ, COMMISSIONER SOEFFNER, VICE CHAIR BAMINI, CHAIR MONTOYA

Absent: Commissioner Baron

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Chair Montoya

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: None.
2. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

3.a. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on November 7, 2016.

It was moved by Commissioner Soeffner, seconded by Commissioner Gibson that:

The minutes from the November 7, 2016 meeting be received and filed.

The motion carried by a 5-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (5) Bamini, Gibson, Montoya, Perez, Soeffner  
Noes: (0) None  
Absent:(1) Baron

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4.a. Joint Use Agreement with Garden Grove Unified School District Update

Staff reported on the meeting between the City and Garden Grove Unified School District (GGUSD) about the possible use of some of the school sites as well as parking facilities for programming. Staff informed Commissioners that GGUSD is undergoing a modernization of their high school facilities also affecting the availability of their middle school due to programming from high schools being moved there. As a result, many of their sites will not be available for joint use for about seven years. The City also discussed the possibility of using as a one-time use, either Walton Intermediate School or Santiago High School as a site for a summer concert. Staff will meet with GGUSD once again in April for further discussion and will report back to the Commission after this meeting.

4.b. Eastgate Park Update

Staff provided an update on the playground equipment renovation. Fencing will be up on January 25 with demolition taking place on January 30. The renovation is anticipated to be complete by the end of February.

Staff reported on the fitness trail project, stating that irrigation plans are currently being finalized by an architect; once finalized, the project will go out to bid by the end of March and expected to be completed by June. Commissioner Soeffner requested that Commissioners be contacted if this timeline changes.

4.c. Open Streets Update

Staff distributed the most recent route map for the Open Streets event taking place on Saturday, April 1 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. with the night portion on Main Street from 6:00-10:00 p.m. Staff also provided information regarding planned activities and programming for the event.

Commissioner Bamini inquired about subcommittees for the event, staff invited Commissioners who are interested in being involved to attend a scheduled committee meeting at 5:30 p.m. on January 19 at the Courtyard Center.

Staff addressed Commissioner Soeffner's question regarding the budget for the Open Streets event. Staff explained that event will be paid out of grant and donation monies, no general fund money will be used.

4.d. Recreation and Human Services Update

- The Senior Center will be hosting a Pajama Party on January 19.

- There will be a Mobile Pantry at the Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center on Friday, February 3 at 9:00 a.m.
- Eggs-cavation event at Atlantis Play Center is scheduled for Saturday, April 15 from 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.
- The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic (put on by the Garden Grove Community Foundation and Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce) will take place on May 10 at Willowick Golf Course.
- The Tet Festival will be hosted by a new organization at Garden Grove Park on February 4-5.

#### 4.e. Public Works Update

Staff reported that West Grove Park building flooring upgrades have been completed.

Staff informed the Commission that Public Works is working with Musco Lighting on replacing light poles at Eastgate Park. Musco Lighting completed soil sample/soil study, and will provide recommendations on light poles based on longevity and light disbursement.

Staff also reported that Public Works will be conducting a citywide facilities assessment at the parks to find out what upgrades are needed and prioritizing projects in terms of health and safety first and wants and needs last. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

#### 5. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Soeffner inquired about the status of the Monument Policy. Staff explained that the policy is being finalized and once it is completed, it will be brought back to the Commission for review.

Staff addressed Commissioner Soeffner's concern about the likelihood of having at least one concert in the east side of Garden Grove, stating that staff is looking into the possibility of having a concert this summer either at West Haven Park or Haster Basin. Staff added that there are challenges with both parking and programming at both locations but will discuss with the GGUSD and the County to try to come up with a solution.

#### 6. MATTERS FROM STAFF:

##### 6.a. Tour of Council Chamber

Staff provided Commissioners with a tour of the newly remodeled Council Chamber.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:04 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned to April 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Meeting Center Council Chamber, 11300 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove.

SUGEIRY REYNOSO  
Commission Secretary