

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Thursday
October 11, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: The regular session of the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission was called to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center.

PRESENT: Chair Piccirillo, Vice Chair Galschiodt,
Commissioners Adams, Wallin

ABSENT: Commissioners Chung, Malcolm, Selvaggi

ALSO PRESENT: Community Services Manager, Pilar Alcivar-McCoy; Supervisors, Chad Clanton and Saimi Hayes; Administrative Analyst, Janet Pelayo; Parks Supervisor, Patricia Hayes; and Recording Secretary, Denise Kehn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Galschiodt moved to approve the Minutes from July 12, 2007, seconded by Commissioner Adams. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Adams, Galschiodt, Piccirillo, Wallin
NOES: Commissioners: None
ABSENT: Commissioners: Chung, Malcolm, Selvaggi
ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

Department Updates

Saimi Hayes provided an update on programs and special events offered by the Recreation and Human Services Division, which included the Senior Health and Fitness Expo, Outdoor Recreation, Halloween events, flu shots, Winterfest, and youth sports.

Chad Clanton provided an update on additional programs, which included the Buena Clinton True Neighborhood Teens (TNT) Mural Dedication, Food for Thought Luncheon, Friday Night Out Teen Event and the Family Health and Fitness Day at Garden Grove Park.

Patricia Hayes provided an update on current park projects, which included the seeding project at the Chapman Sports Complex, Public Works Open House, field renovations, and water conservation.

Skate Park Update

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy provided an update on the potential development of a skate park. Ms. McCoy informed the Commission that City Council requested to place the project on hold for the time being. At this meeting, Councilwomen Nguyen requested that staff conduct a needs assessment.

Gem Theater Update

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy informed the Commission that the Gem Theater would be addressed at the October 23 Council Meeting. For this meeting, Council requested that the Garden Grove Community Foundation (GGCF) provide additional information related to funding for the operation of the theater.

COMMISSION MATTERS

CPRS District X Commissioner Training

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy provided information on the upcoming Commissioner training and asked that Commissioners interested in attending contact Denise Kehn.

CPRS Recreation and Park Training Conference

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy provided information on the 2008 CPRS Training Conference. And asked that Commissioners interested in attending contact Denise Kehn.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Soccer Field Rules and Restrictions

Chad Clanton addressed Commissioner Wallin's concern on the over usage of the soccer fields at Village Green Park. The concern is that the organization and/or park attendees are using two palm trees as the goal station. Public works has inquired on the possibility of relocating the trees, the cost of which would be \$4,000. Park Patrol has been asked to monitor the park to make sure areas of practice are being rotated. Organizations using the fields are required to obtain a permit from the Community Services Department. Staff may be able to rotate the areas of field use in order to minimize damage to the fields.

Laser Tag and Family Fun Center

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy addressed Commissioner Galschoidt's concern about the need to add teen programs. Ms. McCoy informed the Commission that the Department, in collaboration with the Boys and Girls Club, would be offering additional teen

programming. The first event is scheduled for Friday, October 12, and will be held at the Garden Grove Sports and Recreation Center. Ms. McCoy also stated that the new Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center would include a teen room.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Piccirillo adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.