

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Thursday
April 12, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: The regular session of the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission was called to order at 6:04 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center.

PRESENT: Chair Piccirillo, Vice Chair Malcom, Commissioners Chung, Galschiodt, Wallin

ABSENT: Commissioners Adams, Selvaggi

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Galschiodt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Galschiodt moved to approve the Minutes from October 12, 2006, seconded by Vice Chair Malcolm. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Galschiodt, Piccirillo, Malcolm

NOES: Commissioners: None

ABSENT: Commissioners: Adams, Selvaggi, Wallin

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: Chung

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy thanked the Commissioners for their patience in the reappointment process and welcomed Commissioner Chung to the commission.

Department Updates

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy provided an update on programs and special events offered by the Recreation and Human Services Division. Ms. Alcivar-McCoy also addressed items to be submitted to City Council, which included information related to skate parks and dog parks.

(Commissioner Wallin entered the Council Chambers) Ms. Alcivar-McCoy introduced Commissioner Wallin to the Commissioners.

Patricia Hayes provided an update on current park projects, which included the installation of sand filters and chemical injection systems at the pool sites; seeding of the soccer fields at Edgar, West Haven, West Grove and Garden Grove parks; and reseeding the grass at Village Green Park. The reseeding of soccer fields at the Chapman Sports Complex is scheduled for 2008.

Gem Theater Update

In February 2007, City Council granted the Garden Grove Community Foundation (GGCF) ninety days to submit a proposal for the operations of the Gem Theater. The GGCF is a non-profit organization that supports arts in the community, as well as the summer concert series, regional concerts and the Food for Thought Luncheon.

Buena Clinton Update

Chad Clanton provided a brief description of the neighborhood surrounding the Buena Clinton Family Resource Center and the services offered to the residents at the center. Mr. Clanton discussed the state grant awarded for the development of a new Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center, and provided a sample of the design plans for the construction of this facility.

Follow-up on Health and Wellness Programs

Chad Clanton presented a follow-up on Health and Wellness program suggestions made by the Commissioners at a previous meeting, and discussed how the ideas will be incorporated into existing and future programs.

Grant Update – Ameriquest Mortgage Grant Video Proposal

Chad Clanton provided a brief description on the recent award of \$15,000 to the Buena Clinton Family Resource Center from Ameriquest Mortgage. The grant proposal included the collaboration between staff and Channel 3 News to create a video featuring the True Neighborhood Teens (TNT) of the Buena Clinton Youth Program.

Schedule Commissioner Tour and Training

Pilar Alcivar-McCoy advised the new Commission members that arrangements would be made to offer a tour of the city's parks and facilities and a meeting with the City Attorney to discuss the Brown Act and the legal obligations of their appointment.

COMMISSION MATTERS

None

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Prior to the elections for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair, each Commissioner provided a brief description of their involvement in community services and activities. Commissioner Galschiodt motioned to elect Commissioner Piccirillo for the position of Chair, seconded by Commissioner Malcolm. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Commissioner Piccirillo motioned to nominate Commissioner Galschiodt for the position of Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Wallin. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Piccirillo adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Denise Kehn
Recording Secretary