

Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes

Monday, October 26, 2015

Woodland Community & Senior Center-2001 East Street-Meeting Rooms 1&2

Call to Order

The Parks & Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Jesse Salinas at 6:32 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2015 at the Woodland Community & Senior Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Commission Members Present:

- Chair Jesse Salinas
- Commissioner White-Snyder
- Vice Chair Jon-Paul Valcarenghi
- Commissioner Fernandez
- Commissioner Joe Romero
- Commissioner Stephanie Miller

Commission Member Absent: Commissioner Ruben Morales Jr.

Staff Present:

- CS Director Engel
- CS Manager Bain
- CS Recreation Supervisor Collier
- CS Administrative Supervisor Haynie

Public Comment (none)

Presentation (none)

Communication-Commission/Staff Statements and Requests

Commissioner White-Snyder attended the Woodland Recreation Foundation Bunco event that was attended by 75 participants. Commissioner Romero attended Movies on Main Street event and received great feedback from attendees. Commissioner White-Snyder attended the Wood Bat league's recognition of Jack Slaven. Commissioner Valcarenghi invited the Commission and the public to the Woodland Tree Foundation November 14, 2015 tree planting of 40-50 trees along Sports Park Drive, event starts at 8:30 a.m. Commissioner Miller voiced her concerns with the lights at City Park's tennis courts. Explaining that they are not environmentally friendly and the humming noise is distracting. Engel stated that Sander would report back on this at the next meeting. Commissioner Fernandez stated that the November Commit2Fit 30 day challenge kick-off event is scheduled for October 27, 2015, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Woodland Community & Senior Center. Commissioner

Fernandez attended the Woodland Tree Foundation tree planting at Campbell Park on October 17, 2015. Commissioner Fernandez noted that there was only one volleyball pole at the park and that the picnic tables had flaking paint that made the seat uncomfortable. Engel stated that Sanders would update the Commission on these matters at the next meeting.

Committee Reports

Commissioner Miller reported that she attended a meeting to discuss the proposed Community Services Youth Committee; Commissioner Miller has been reaching out to potential applicants. Commissioner Salinas asked that the Parks Master Plan be put on the November agenda for the Commission to review. Engel explained that staff is still reviewing the plan. But will see what can be included. Commissioner Romero stated that the Playground & Facilities Committee has not scheduled a meeting yet.

Work Plan

Commissioner Salinas noted that if a Commissioner met with WSC that Commissioner should also meet with DASA. Commissioner Salinas also voiced concern that non-residents that belong to youth groups may be benefitting from Measure J by have the non-resident fees waiver. Commissioner Romero would like to meet with Mr. Gerald to the discuss issue he brought up at the last Commission meeting. Engel explained that Mr. Gerald's concerns had been addressed through Robert Marin and staff before the October Commission meeting but that Mr. Gerald had not been aware of the additional fields made available to the WSC. Commissioner Salinas reported that he and Commissioner Romero met with Engel to discuss that budget, apologizing to Commissioner Miller that they did not include he in the meeting. Commissioner Salinas explained the new graph version of the budget to the Commission. Commissioners Valcarengi and Miller stated that the graphs were easier to understand. Engel scheduled a meeting with the entire Budget Committee for October 28th at noon. Commissioner Fernandez met with Engel to discuss various items including the Volunteerism Committee goals. The Committee will be assisting with outreach for events that may need volunteers. Engel reported that the Community Service Department is the main hub to match volunteers with the different City departments that need volunteers. Staff is working on an annual report to City Council on the City's volunteer program.

Staff Reports

Community Services Report

Engel provided an update on the Community Services report. An update was provided on Spring Lake N3 Park, this 10 acre park will be built in phases with the first phase including playground areas, track, picnic shelters, play fields and restrooms. Engel said when the plans were at 50% the Playground & Facilities Committee will review the plans. Collier reported to the Commission on the progress of the Youth Advisory Committee & Academy. The program will run from October-May each year. Participants will have a budget and receive 100 hours of community service. The cap for the program is 12 for ages 14-21 but the program will begin with the 4 applicants Collier has received to date. Commissioner Fernandez asked how the sites were chosen for the Outdoor Adventures Programs. Collier explained that the sites chosen for the Outdoor Adventure Program were either environmental or educational with trained staff. Commissioner Fernandez asked if there were plans for lowering the price of the program. Collier explained that last year we competed with our selves between Teen Pack and Outdoor Adventure, with 39-40 participants in Teen Pack every week. The current plan is to offer one Outdoor Adventure to Yosemite for 5 days at the price of \$199 (actual cost for the trip is \$545) and Teen Pack

will not be offered that week. Commissioners discussed ways for additional scholarships for participants of the program. Volunteerism Committee will meet with Engel to discuss the different options and report back to the Commission. Collier also highlighted that participants began the program with parents driving the teens and ended the program with many taking public transit to get to the Community & Senior Center. This was just one example of personal growth opportunities offered by the program.

Action: Received

Parks Report

Commissioner had no questions on the Parks report.

Action: Received

Items for next meeting:

Subcommittee Reports

FY16 Work Plan Status

Commission Roster

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Review and Update Committee Assignments

Community Services Report

Parks/Street/Tree Report

Next Meeting November 23, 2015

Adjourn 8:15 p.m.

Action: Romero/Miller Seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Valcarengi, White-Snyder, Fernandez, Romero, Miller

Noes: none