



City of Arts & Innovation

**MINUTES
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Monday, July 15, 2019, 6:30 p.m.
Art Pick Council Chambers – City Hall
3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92522

Commissioners Present: Cardullo, Fairfax, Feola, Whatley, Rounds, Johnson and Humphreys

Staff Present: Adolfo Cruz, Director
Mario Lara, Deputy Director
Randy McDaniel, Principal Project Manager
Kyle Raphael, Park Superintendent
Anthony Zamora, Community Services Supervisor
Fabiola Contreras, Senior Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Humphreys called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

1. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Director Cruz introduced Coach Alex Luna from Orange Terrace Community Park.

Coach Luna mentioned he has been coaching for 23 years. It is an honor for him to coach the youth by teaching them responsibility, discipline and communication.

Chair Humphreys thanked Coach Luna for all his hard work and dedication.

Director Cruz introduced the department's new Park Superintendent, Kyle Raphael.

2. PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioners received and read correspondence from George Guzman, expressing his gratitude for the wonderful support for the annual Summer Reading Kickoff event on Saturday, June 1st at the Chavez Community Center.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

After discussion, the Commission approved the minutes for the June 17, 2019, meeting.

Motion: Cardullo
Second: Fairfax
Ayes: All

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following matters, presented to the Park and Recreation Commission on the consent calendar for consideration, were approved by a motion affirming the action appropriate to the items:

4. UPDATE ON THE PARK MASTER PLAN PROJECT

5. UPDATES ON THE YOUTH INNOVATION CENTER AT ARLINGTON PARK

6. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT URBAN FORESTRY/LANDSCAPE DIVISION QUARTERLY ACTIVITY REPORT

After discussion, a motion was made to accept every report for file.

Motion: Cardullo
Second: Johnson
Ayes: All

PRESENTATIONS

7. RECOGNITION OF THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS BETWEEN THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, OUTSIDE AGENCIES AND LOCAL ARTISTS TO COMPLETE ART PROJECTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Director Cruz introduced Anthony Zamora, Community Services Supervisor.

Community Services Supervisor Zamora presented on the recognition of the collaborative efforts between the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department's Project BRIDGE program, outside agencies and local artists to complete art projects in various communities.

Commissioner Whatley congratulated the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department for all of the great work accomplished.

After discussion, a motion was made to accept the report for file.

Motion: Feola

Second: Fairfax
Ayes: All

8. UPDATE ON THE 12TH ANNUAL YOUNG MEN’S CONFERENCE HOSTED BY PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION - HELD AT THE BOURNS TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Director Cruz introduced Anthony Zamora, Community Services Supervisor.

Community Services Supervisor Zamora presented an update on the 12th Annual Young Men’s Conference hosted by Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department and the Riverside Community Health Foundation, held at the Bourns Technology Center.

Commissioner Fairfax inquired if there was a follow-up made with the participants that attended the conference and asked how they were chosen to participate in the conference.

Community Services Supervisor Zamora mentioned the department reaches out to high school counselors to recommend individuals that will benefit from the conference. Additionally, the department’s Outreach Workers from Project BRIDGE identify individuals that will benefit from the event.

Commissioner Johnson inquired if the Bourns Technology Center was located at Hunter Park. He also inquired if Bourns Technology Center was affiliated with Bourns Corporation.

Director Cruz confirmed the Bourns Technology Center was located at Hunter Park and is affiliated with Bourns Corporation.

After discussion, a motion was made to accept the report for file.

Motion: Cardullo
Second: Johnson
Ayes: All

DISCUSSION

9. DETERMINE WHETHER COMMISSIONER TODD ROUNDS’ ABSENCE FROM THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING ON JUNE 17, 2019, SHOULD BE RECORDED AS AN EXCUSED OR UNEXCUSED ABSENCE

After discussion, a motion was made to excuse Commissioner Round’s absence.

Motion: Whatley
Second: Feola
Ayes: All

10.DETERMINE WHETHER COMMISSIONER BARRY JOHNSON’S ABSENCE FROM THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING ON JUNE 17, 2019,

SHOULD BE RECORDED AS AN EXCUSED OR UNEXCUSED ABSENCE

After discussion, a motion was made to excuse Commissioner Johnson's absence.

Motion: Whatley
Second: Feola
Ayes: All

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETING DATES, AND COMMISSION REQUESTS

Director Cruz reminded all Commissioners that July is Park and Recreation month. He extended an invitation to all Commissioners to attend City Council meeting July 16 at 2:00 p.m., where Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will be recognized.

Chair Humphreys inquired on a maintenance schedule and update for Victoria Avenue.

Director Cruz mentioned that Public Works Department is responsible of the maintenance work on Victoria Avenue, he will contact the Department and get an update.

Director Cruz mentioned that Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will be providing an update on the Youth Innovation Center at the August Commission meeting.

Director Cruz announced Deputy Director Lara's promotion to the City of Sacramento as the Director of the Youth, Parks and Community Enrichment Department. He extended an invitation to his farewell on August 1, 2019.

Deputy Director Lara gave thanks to everyone for his personal growth, experience and knowledge he has gained throughout the years.

Commissioners Feola, Johnson and Cardullo gave much gratitude to Deputy Director Lara for all his great work.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Humphreys adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 19, 2019, at 6:30 p.m., at Art Pick Council Chambers, 3900 Main Street.