



PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Parks, Recreation and Community
Services Department

City Council
October 23, 2018

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CURRENT ROSTER

1. Chair Amy Cardullo – Ward 3
2. Vice Chair Walter Elliot – Ward 5
3. Luz Negrón – Ward 2
4. Joseph Feola – Ward 4/Citywide
5. Rebecca Whatley – Ward 1
6. Todd Rounds – Ward 4
7. Barry Johnson – Ward 7
8. Jennifer Humphreys – Ward 5/Citywide
9. VACANT – Ward 6



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RIVERSIDE CITY CHARTER

Sec. 809. Park and Recreation Commission

There shall be a Park and Recreation Commission which shall have the power and duty to:

- (a) Act in an advisory capacity to the City Council in all matters pertaining to parks, recreation, parkways and street trees;
- (b) Consider the annual budget for parks, recreation, parkways and street tree purposes during the process of its preparation and make recommendations with respect thereto to the City Council and the City Manager;
- (c) Assist in the planning of parks and recreation programs for the inhabitants of the City, promote and stimulate public interest therein, and to that end solicit to the fullest extent possible the cooperation of school authorities and other public and private agencies interested therein; and,
- (d) Establish policies for the acquisition, development and improvement of parks and playgrounds and for the planting, care and removal of trees and shrubs in all parks, playgrounds and streets, subject to the rights and powers of the City Council.

(Effective 12/27/1995)



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COMMISSION ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Participated in the Park Master Plan project;
2. Provided input on the City's first Disc Golf site;
3. Changed the Park and Recreation Commission regular meetings to the third Monday of the month and updated the Park and Recreation Commission Standing Rules to reflect change;
4. Approved the El Dorado Park Master Plan project;
5. Reviewed undeveloped parks' agricultural lease requests;
6. Recommend naming baseball field #3 at Arlington Heights Sports Park in honor of Steven B. Albertson.



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SIGNIFICANT SUBJECT MATTER DURING PAST YEAR

1. Park Master Plan project;
2. Parent Navel Tree;
3. Park Hour Closure RMC; and
4. Support for the NEW Youth Innovation Center at Arlington Park.



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PRINCIPAL TASKS OVER NEXT YEAR

1. Youth Innovation Center at Arlington Park;
2. Consideration of the Eastside Library at Bobby Bonds Park;
3. Parks Master Plan; and
4. Parks, Recreation & Community Services Strategic Plan.



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WAYS COUNCIL AND STAFF MIGHT FACILITATE WORK OF COMMISSION

1. Participate in site visits and provide feedback/input.
2. Discuss relevant issues impacting parks:
 - Funding
 - Maintenance standards
 - Programming
 - Policies
 - Strategic Plan



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RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council receive and file this annual report from the Park and Recreation Commission.



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