



**Meeting Minutes of the
Parks and Recreation Commission**

Thursday, February 2, 2017

6:30 p.m.

City Hall – 915 I Street – First Floor Council Chamber

Open Session – 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Heitstuman at 6:31 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bains, Guerrero, Malik, Murphy, Rhodes, Singh, O'Toole, and Chair Heitstuman

Public Comments-Matters Not on the Agenda (2 minutes per speaker)

None

Public Hearings

None

Consent Calendar

1. Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes for January 11, 2017

Contact: Ilee Muller, Administrative Analyst, (916) 808-1022, Fiscal and Management Services

Action: Motion to approve the Consent Calendar.
Moved, seconded (O'Toole/Singh) and carried 8 ayes.

Discussion Calendar

1. Nomination and Selection of Chair Report

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Nomination and Election of Chairperson to Serve through December 2017.

Contact: Josette Reina, Support Services Manager, (916) 808-1956, Fiscal and Management Services

Action: Commissioner Malik made a motion to nominate Commissioner Heitstuman for Chair; seconded by Commissioner Rhodes.

Motion carried by a vote of 6 ayes (Commissioners Guerrero, Malik, Murphy, Rhodes, and O'Toole) and 2 nays (Commissioners Bains and Singh).

2. Nomination and Selection of Vice Chair Report

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Nomination and Election of Vice Chairperson to Serve through December 2017.

Contact: Josette Reina, Support Services Manager, (916) 808-1956, Fiscal and Management Services

Action: Commissioner Heitstuman made a motion to nominate Commissioner Malik for Vice Chair; seconded by Commissioner O'Toole. Motion carried by a vote of 8 ayes.

3. Drought Report (Oral)

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Eugene Loew, Parks Manager, (916) 808-4070; Kyle Raphael, Parks Superintendent, (916) 808-1396, Park Operations

Eugene Loew provided a report to the Commission on the city's efforts to address the impact of last year's drought on the 25,000 trees in city parks.

4. Overview of Park Ranger Program (Oral)

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Robert Conroy, Park Safety Ranger, (916) 808-3815, Park Safety Services

Robert Conroy provided an overview of the Park Ranger Program, the types of calls for service and the new hires to expand staff from 6 to 11 rangers.

5. Parks and Recreation Director Report (Oral): Review Highlights for January

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment

Contact: Christopher C. Conlin, Director, (916) 808-8526, Fiscal and Management Services

The Director provided an update on the following items: Recruitment of City Diversity Manager; expansion of the City internships; appointment of commissioners to vacant positions; Parks Department's Strategic Plan preparation; mid-year Budget update to expand Neighborhood Services and the L&L programs; Hot Spots program to add games/sports of interest to girls; and parking garage validation for Commissioners for meeting attendance.

Member Comments-Ideas, Questions and Meeting/Conference Reports

Commissioner Malik requested data from the new Park Ranger database; report back in 3-4 months, and an update on Renfree Field renovation and lease if that proposal progresses. She also announced a volunteer mulching effort at Maki Park with the Sacramento Tree Foundation.

Commissioner Heitstuman asked that the voluntary survey data being collected at Hot Spots include a question whether teenagers identify as LGBT.

Adjournment

Chair Heitstuman adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Ilee Muller, Administrative Analyst
Department of Parks and Recreation

Approved by:

David Heitstuman, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission