



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

**Wednesday May 10, 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 Commissioner O'Toole at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bains, Flores, Guerrero, Singh, and O'Toole.  
Chair Heitstuman arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Absent: Commissioners Malik, Murphy and Rhodes.

**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 April 6, 2017

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

**Action:** Motion to approve the Consent Calendar.  
Moved, seconded (Singh/O'Toole) and carried 5 ayes, 0 nays,  
1 abstension (Bains)

## Discussion Calendar

### **2. McKinley Village Park Naming of Park Site ES-5 as Michael Himovitz Park**

**Location:** District 3

**Recommendation:** Approve Staff Recommendation

**Contact:** C. Gary Hyden, Manager, Park Planning and Development, (916) 808-1949

Gary Hyden presented the report and provided background regarding the contributions of Michael Himovitz as a civic leader who helped raise the profile of city artists. Commissioner O'Toole commented that it was nice to recognize different type of citizens in naming parks. Gary Hyden noted that the McKinley Village parks have a strong arts theme with public artwork integrated into the parks.

Action: Motion to approve the recommendation to name McKinley Village Park Site ES-5 as Michael Himovitz Park. Moved, seconded (Guerrero/Singh) and carried 6-0.

### **3. Budget Process and Measure U Funding and Services (Oral)**

**Location:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Review and Comment

**Contact:** Shannon Brown, Operations Manager, (916) 808-6076

Shannon Brown provided an overview of the proposed Park and Recreation Department budget for fiscal year 2017-18. The total budget is \$38.4 million with 696.41 full time equivalent employees. She noted that the Twin Rivers and Sacramento City Unified School Districts did not select START as the provider for their after-school enrichment programs due to costs, but that the City would continue to operate START for the Robla School District at five schools. She distributed copies of the proposed budget and Director Conlin noted that the City Council will be considering the Parks and Recreation Department budget at their meeting on May 6, 2017.

### **4. Parks and Recreation Director Report (Oral): Review Highlights for April**

**Location:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Review and Comment

**Contact:** Christopher C. Conlin, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation, (916) 808-8526

Director Chris Conlin provided an update on the following items: a) The reorganization of the Department to create a Youth division would not occur with the current budget cycle, but would be implemented probably as part of the mid-year budget adjustment; b) The reduction in the START program will affect 49 personnel, but they are working with the union to minimize the impacts and the staffing adjustments will likely be implemented by the Fall. The 4<sup>th</sup> R program is not affected, so the City will continue to provide before and after school programs; c) There was a good community meet for the Del Paso Regional Park focused on a Measure U project to provide a small parking lot and amenities to help address problems and activate the park. The Renfree Field renovation is expected to be underway soon and completed by next spring; d) The McKinley Park Pond project should be completed by the end of June and the Land Park Ponds project by mid-summer; e) The removal of 120 dead trees in the parks is underway, but there may be stumps left for a while. Mowing of the parks is back on course now that the soil has dried-up; f) There will be a media event tomorrow for the 1,000 Strong program to provide internships for youth

under partnerships with ETA and businesses; and g) The Robertson Community Center had an opening event.

**Member Comments-Ideas, Questions and Meeting/Conference Reports**

Commissioners Flores and Guerrero mentioned their involvement in interviewing youth for the L&L program.

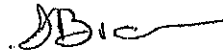
Commissioner Guerrero said that the Garden Land Park clean-up event was well-attended and supported by local businesses. He also noted that the Hot Spots street soccer program for girls at Hagginwood was popular.

Commissioners Singh and Flores commented on Measure U renewal and the recent City Council action to allocate General Fund monies for assisting immigrants.

**Adjournment**

Chair Heitstuman adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Shannon Brown, Operations Manager  
Department of Parks and Recreation

Approved by:



David Heitstuman, Chair  
Parks and Recreation Commission