



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

Thursday, April 11, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was held in the Council Chambers, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California. Chair Saucedo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners: Michael D. Lay, Joseph A. Palombi, Jacob A. Rodriguez, Vice-Chair Monica M. Sanchez and Chair Patricia A. Saucedo

ABSENT: Youth Ex Officio Yulissa Chavez

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. MINUTES:

- Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of March 14, 2019

Recommendation: Approve

A motion was made by Commissioner Palombi and seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez and carried on to roll call vote to approve the Minutes of March 14, 2019.

2. NEW BUSINESS: None

3. OLD BUSINESS: None

4. ORGANIZATION RECOGNITION REVIEW:

a) Pico Rivera Baseball Academy - Anthony Corona

President of Pico Rivera Baseball Academy, Anthony Corona, informed the Commission that this was his 9th year with the organization. He provided flyers of the Organization's Annual Barbecue that included a short history and photographs of the teams. He also provided a brief background of his involvement with the Organization and the Organization's goals.

Commissioner Palombi welcomed President Corona and stated that he has attended several Pico Rivera Baseball Academy Banquets. He noted that he has always been impressed with the gratitude President Corona has expressed to the participants.

A motion was made by Commissioner Palombi and seconded by Vice-Chair Sanchez and carried on to roll call vote to recognize Pico Rivera Baseball Academy as a Community Sports Organization for the fiscal year of 2019-2020.

b) Lord's Vineyard - Raymond Ochoa

Pastor Raymond Ochoa approached the Commission to request a one time use of the Pico Park Gazebo for their 3rd Annual Spring Celebration. He stated that there is a total

of 18 churches that have been working together to plan the event. The Spring Celebration Event will consist of free food, entertainment for the family, and a live band. In addition, the Organization will be raffling big prizes including bicycles for the kids. Pastor Ochoa noted that they were expecting 1,000 people.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez and carried on to roll call vote to recognize Lord's Vineyard as Community Organization for the fiscal year of 2019-2020.

c) American Cancer Society Relay for Life - Joe Price

Joe Price was not present for the recognition.

5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT:

- a) Director's Report
- b) Recreation Upcoming Activities

Senior Manager, Sonya Meacham, briefly reviewed the events that occurred in the month of March. These events included several Opening Day Ceremonies for many of the sports organizations and the REACH Mini Olympics. She further stated that the Marketing Division attended the California Association of Public Information Officers (CAPIO) Awards and they received several awards for their marketing achievements. Those awards included the Epic Award for the 2018 City Accomplishments Book and three Awards of Distinction for the 60th Anniversary Campaign, Magazine, and Video. Senior Manager Meacham informed the Commission that the Department would be renovating the front counters at Rivera Park, Smith Park, and the Senior Center.

Chair Saucedo asked if the Youth Center would be getting any updates.

Senior Manager Meacham informed the Commission that at the Youth Center staff was planning to complete the flooring, paint the facility, and replace the furniture. Senior Manager Meacham reviewed the upcoming events for the month of April and May.

April			
Date	Time	Event	Location
4/13 Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Easter Eggstravaganza	Pico Park 9528 Beverly Blvd.
4/17 Wednesday	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Farmers Market	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.
4/19 Friday	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Youth Center - Easter Hunt	Youth Center 4632 Orange St.

April (Continued)			
Date	Time	Event	Location
4/20 Saturday	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Spring Celebration (Non-City Event) by user group: Lord's Vineyard	Pico Park 9528 Beverly Blvd.
4/24 Wednesday	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Farmers Market	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.
4/25 Thursday	3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Center Volunteer Recognition	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.
4/25 Thursday	3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	REACH Registration (Returning Participants Only)	School Sites
4/26 Friday	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Adaptive Recreation - Glow in the Dark 80s Dance Party	Pico Park 9528 Beverly Blvd.
4/27 Saturday	9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Trips & Tours - USS Iowa Naval Museum	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.
4/27 Saturday	1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Coordinating Council Inaugural Ball	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.
4/27 Saturday	7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Community Garden Clean Up Day	Community Garden 8606 Beverly Rd.
4/28 Sunday	11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Senior Dodger Day	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.
4/29 Monday	3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	REACH Registrations (Birney Tech Academy & Valencia Academy of the Arts)	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.
4/30 Tuesday	3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	REACH Registrations (Durfee Elementary & South Ranchito Dual Academy)	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.
May			
Date	Time	Event	Location
5/1 Wednesday	3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	REACH Registrations (Magee Academy of the Arts & North Ranchito Elementary)	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.
5/1 Wednesday	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Farmers Market	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.

May (Continued)			
Date	Time	Event	Location
5/2 Thursday	3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	REACH Registrations (Rio Vista & Rivera Elementary)	Smith Park 6016 Rosemead Blvd.
5/3 Friday	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Youth Center: Cinco de Mayo	Youth Center 4632 Orange St.
5/5 Sunday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Trips & Tours - Carlsbad Village Faire	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.
5/6 Monday	7:00 a.m.	Summer Camp Registrations Begin	Recreation Office 6767 Passons Blvd.
5/8 Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Tea	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.
5/9 Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting	Council Chambers 6615 Passons Blvd.
5/11 Saturday	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Family Fun Events - Mother/Daughter Par-Tea	Senior Center 9200 Mines Ave.

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS – Park Facility Issues

Senior Center	-	Chair Saucedo
Pico Park	-	Commissioner Palombi and Chair Saucedo
Rio Hondo Park	-	Commissioner Palombi
Streamland Park	-	Commissioner Rodriguez
Smith Park	-	Vice-Chair Sanchez and Youth Ex Officio Chavez
Rivera Park	-	Chair Saucedo and Commissioner Lay
Youth Center	-	Commissioner Rodriguez and Youth Ex Officio Chavez
Golf Course	-	Vice-Chair Sanchez

Commissioner Lay stated that additional screening would be installed at Rivera Park. He also inquired about purchasing door stoppers for the outdoor restrooms by the concession stands at Rivera Park. He further stated that a senior citizen had walked into the women's restroom and slipped. He also noted that Rivera Baseball Association had their Opening Day Ceremony and had a great turnout. The Channel 4 News Anchor, Alicia Del Valle, also attended the Opening Day Ceremony.

Commissioner Palombi had nothing to report on the park sites. He only requested an update on his request to add additional Youth Centers around the City for the youth.

Commissioner Rodriguez stated that he was able to attend the Pico Boys Opening Day Ceremony. He further stated that it had been an honor to attend and witness the enthusiasm from all the families in attendance. He noted that the locks at the Youth Center had been installed. He also agreed with Commissioner Palombi and stated that the City needs more youth facilities.

Vice-Chair Sanchez stated that she attended the Pony Boys Opening Day Ceremony. She also mentioned that State Senator, Bob Archuleta, was able to purchase new flag poles for the Smith Park stadium. Several residents had shared with Vice-Chair Sanchez that there had been a lot of trash on Monday and Tuesday mornings that were probably left over from the weekend before. She also attended the Trips & Tours Excursion to the Pantages Theater to watch Cats, a musical performance. She also attended an event at the Pico Rivera Sports Arena and lightweight fighter Angel Rodriguez was in attendance.

Senior Manager Meacham noted that there was only one staff scheduled for park maintenance over the weekend.

Chair Saucedo asked if there was anything the City would be able to do to recognize all the coaches and volunteers.

Vice-Chair Sanchez requested an update on the Pico Rivera Golf Course.

Senior Manager Meacham noted that they were scheduling a meeting with the Health Department and they were working diligently to open the Golf Course Bar and Restaurant.

7. CITY COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE REMINDER

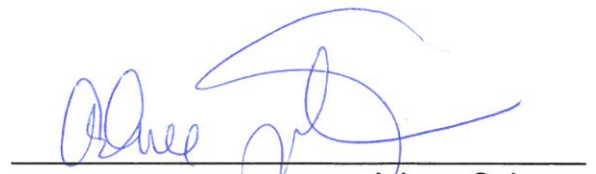
a) Commissioner Michael D. Lay – April 23, 2019

ADJOURNMENT:

The Parks and Recreation meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m. by Commissioner Palombi and seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez.



Patricia A. Saucedo, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission



Arlene Salazar,
Director of Parks and Recreation