

**CITY OF SAN LEANDRO
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017, 7:00 P.M.
MEETING MINUTES
CITY HALL, SISTER CITIES GALLERY ROOM**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

PRESENT Commissioners Barreto, Hutchison, Schoenfeld, Shapiro, Udemezue, Wagner and Secretary Bateson

ABSENT District 6 – Vacant

GUESTS Evelyn Gonzalez, Bryan Azevedo

APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF MAY 3, 2017

MSC (Hutchison/Wagner) to approve the agenda moving item 11A. to follow Public Comments(8 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 1 Vacant)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2017

MSC (Schoenfeld/Zuber) to approve the minutes as submitted. (8 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 1 Vacant)

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

REPORTS

A. Commissioner Park Visit Reports

- Commissioner Schoenfeld reported that there had been a car fire at Washington Manor Park. Schoenfeld also commented on the tot playground at Bonaire Park.
- Commissioner Udemezue commented that Halcyon Park was well-kept. He noticed significant debris from trees at Thrasher Park.
- Commissioner Shapiro suggested additional trash receptacles be installed at Siempre Verde Park.
- Commissioner Barreto commented that Toyon Park was in good condition and visitors were properly using the park. Barreto also commented that the signage at the dog park was very helpful.
- Commissioner Wagner reported a water leak at Bonaire Park in the northeast corner near the driveway. Wagner also reported there were no trash receptacles at Stenzel Park.
- Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the chain link fence at the tot playground at Washington Manor Park was damaged.

B. Park and Open Space Operations and Maintenance Update

- No report.

CONSENT ITEMS

MSC (Wagner/Zuber) to approve the consent items as submitted. (8 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 1 Vacant)

CORRESPONDENCE

ORAL REPORT OF SECRETARY

A. Recreation and Human Services Calendar of Meetings and Events

- The annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration will be held on Friday, May 5. Food will be available for purchase.
- The San Leandro Downtown Association will hold BikeSL on Sunday, May 7.
- Bike to Work/School Day is on Wednesday, May 11. More energizer stations can be found throughout the City for the 2017 event.
- The Youth Advisory Commission is holding a Glow in the Dark Family Zumba Party fundraiser on Friday, May 12 at the Marina Community Center at 7:00 P.M. Cost: \$5/person or \$20 family of 5
- The San Leandro Family Aquatic Center will open on Saturday, May 27.

B. Update on Current Projects and Spring Classes

- Secretary Bateson reported that planning for the Cherry Festival on June 3 was underway. Bateson provided a vendor and entertainment update.
- Recreation and Human Services staff are currently hiring summer staff and are preparing for staff training.
- May is Older Americans Month. A number of free, community education programs promoting health and wellness will be offered at the Senior Community Center throughout the month.
- Ms. Liz, Kiddie Kollege instructor will be retiring at the end of May after more than 20 years of service with the City of San Leandro.
- Secretary Bateson informed the Commission that spring classes end in May. Bateson will provide a report of the spring term at the July meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Cherry Festival Parade and Commissioner Responsibilities

- Commissioners confirmed parade assignments with Evelyn Gonzalez.
- A discussion ensued around the presentation of the nine parade awards. Commissioners would like to have the awards announced on the Main Stage, possibly by the Mayor.

B. Discussion of Department Events and Commissioner Involvement

- Secretary Bateson reported that staff was exploring the idea of hosting a dog day at the pool.
- Secretary Bateson provided an oral recap on the Annual Egg Hunt that was held in April.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Dog Park Amenities and User Survey

- Commissioners discussed the importance of dog-waste bag dispensers. Not all parks have dispensers and those that do, the dispensers are typically empty. Commissioner Hutchison shared some information he found on the internet regarding the cost of dog-waste bag refills and dispensers.
- Secretary Bateson informed the Commission that funding has been allocated to enhance the dog park at Marina Park. The Recreation and Human Services Department will be surveying dog park users on the weekends regarding amenities and potential enhancements to the dog park.

REPORT OF CHAIR

COMMISSION COMMENTS

- Commissioner Schoenfeld is looking forward to the Cherry Festival and he is impressed with the variety of summer programs offered by the Recreation and Human Services Department.
- Commissioner Zuber would like an update on Farrelly Pool and Chabot Park.
- Commissioner Wagner was elected as the California delegate to the American Association for Respiratory Care.
- Commissioner Hutchison was also impressed with the summer program offerings. He was not appointed to the San Lorenzo Unified School District Board. Hutchison recognized Leah Hall for her work on the parklett program.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC (Wagner/Udemezue) to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. (8 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 1 Vacant)

Respectfully submitted,

Jasmine Bateson, Secretary