

**CITY OF SAN LEANDRO
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 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 Chair Bolar, Commissioners Azevedo, Hutchison, Schoenfeld, Shapiro, Udemezue, and Secretary Brandt

ABSENT Commissioners Wagner and Zuber

GUESTS None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF MARCH 1, 2017

MSC (Shoenfeld/Azevedo) to approve the agenda as submitted. (6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2017

MSC (Hutchison/Azevedo) to approve the minutes as submitted. (6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent)

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

REPORTS

A. Commissioner Park Visit Reports

- Commissioner Udemezue confirmed with the group that it is normal practice to keep the school gates locked during school hours. Gates are opened after school hours for joint-use facilities that are available to the public.
- Commissioner Azevedo reported that Siempre Verde and Halcyon were both in excellent condition.
- Commissioner Shapiro reported Memorial Park continues to get a lot of use, and playground equipment there is dated.
- Commissioner Bolar visited Marina Park, and there was nothing of significance to report.
- Commissioner Hutchison reported that he visited Memorial Park and Stenzel Park. The Little League trailer at Stenzel Park had been broken into. He inquired if the League would be permitted to put in cameras.

B. Park and Open Space Operations and Maintenance Update

- Deputy Public Works Director Jennifer Auletta informed Commissioners that the sports fields were being prepared for the field season. There was some flooding at the Stenzel Field 2 due to the rain. The other fields are available for use.
- The Public Works staff are doing some spraying for weeds. Those areas will be posted.
- The long-term goal for the dog park would be to install DG (decomposed granite), but funding has not yet been identified.

CONSENT ITEMS

MSC (Udemezue/Hutchison) to approve the consent items as submitted. (6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent)

CORRESPONDENCE

ORAL REPORT OF SECRETARY

A. Recreation and Human Services Calendar of Meetings and Events

- Staff are preparing for Parks and Fields to open for the 2017 season. Park Reservations are available online in the new system.
- Secretary Brandt highlighted the most successful classes including the new Ramen cooking class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion on Cherry Festival Parade and Commissioner Responsibilities

- Commissioners recognized that those assigned to the Cherry Festival Parade Committee had not yet met and there were no updates to report.

B. Discussion of Monthly Consent Items and Review of Report Formats

- Commissioners request the report of recreation events and activities be submitted to them on a monthly basis. Commissioners request that the March events be emailed to them.
- Commissioners reached consensus that the updated format of the monthly consent items is agreeable to them.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion of the Annual Egg Hunt scheduled for April 15, 2017. A discussion ensued on successor events that may replace the traditional egg hunt in 2018, including a Spring Festival with various family activities for all ages 10 and under that would include photo opportunities with the bunny.
- Commissioners tabled the selection of new quarterly park assignments until the May meeting.
- MSC (Bolar/Schoenfeld) Commissioners agreed to have Secretary Donnelly write a letter of support on behalf of RAPC for the Kaboom! Playful Cities USA application. (6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent)

REPORT OF CHAIR

COMMISSION COMMENTS

- Commissioner Azevedo commented that the City Council had discussed the annual CIP list at a recent work session, and that funding for Wi-Fi in the parks is allocated over the next two-year cycle.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC (Shapiro/Udemezue) to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. (6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent)

Respectfully submitted,

Breyana Brandt on behalf of
Jasmine Donnelly, Secretary