

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

**ABSENT** Commissioner Bolar  
District 6 – Vacant

**GUESTS** Evelyn Gonzalez

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF JUNE 7, 2017**

MSC (Shapiro/Schoenfeld) to approve the agenda moving item 11A. to follow Public Comments (7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 3, 2017**

MSC (Shapiro/Schoenfeld) to approve the minutes as submitted. (7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant)

**GUEST PRESENTATIONS**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**REPORTS**

A. Commissioner Park Visit Reports

- Commissioner Schoenfeld observed an increase in attendance at the San Leandro Family over Memorial Day weekend.
- Commissioner Udemezue commented that Thrasher Park had a significant amount of litter, potentially from a picnic group.
- Commissioner Shapiro commented on the low usage of the dog park at Marina Park. Shapiro also noted police activity at Grover Cleveland Park on the date of his visit.
- Commissioner Barreto was pleased to see park users playing horseshoes at Toyon Park. Barreto agreed with Commissioner Shapiro regarding usage at the dog park, and reported the weed issue was addressed. Commissioner Wagner commented that a rattlesnake was seen at the dog park a few weeks prior.
- Commissioner Wagner noted the number of school picnics taking place in City parks. Wagner also inquired regarding the drainage issues at Washington Manor Middle School.
- Commissioner Zuber mentioned Floresta Park is heavily used due to field season.
- Commissioner Hutchinson noted the restroom improvements at Stenzel Park.

B. Park and Open Space Operations and Maintenance Update

- Deputy Public Works Director Jennifer Auletta updated Commissioners on the dog park's maintenance schedule and addressed Commissioner Wagner's question regarding the drainage issues at Washington Manor Middle School.
- Auletta informed Commissioners that drinking fountains at various parks are being replaced and tree trimming and removal was one focus of the Public Works Department this summer.
- Siempre Verde Park has a number of landscape challenges. Public Works is working with the contractor to determine the next steps in addressing the issues.

- Auletta asked the Commission to consider how to activate the area next to the tennis courts at Washington Manor Park.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

MSC (Zuber/Hutchison) to approve the consent items as submitted. (7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant)

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **ORAL REPORT OF SECRETARY**

#### **A. Recreation and Human Services Calendar of Meetings and Events**

- Secretary Bateson informed Commissioners that Family Movie Nights would begin on Wednesday, June 14 at Washington Manor Park. This summer, five movies will be shown at various parks.
- Ethics Training Ethics training is mandatory for members of Boards and Commissions. Commissioners can complete the training online or attend the scheduled training on June 12 at the Senior Community Center.

#### **B. Update on Current Projects and Spring Classes**

- Secretary Bateson reported that funding for the Kaboom! build at Washington Manor Park was received. The build will take place on August 5.
- The Recreation and Human Services Department will be presenting a proposal for Music in the Park at the July 3 City Council meeting.
- Summer programs, including Summer Adventures, begin on June 12. The first session of Camp Hooty Hoo will begin on June 19.
- The San Leandro Family Aquatic Center opens daily for recreational swim beginning June 12.
- The Recreation and Human Services Department is currently hiring facility attendants.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **A. Discussion of Cherry Festival Parade and Commissioner Responsibilities**

- Commissioners, along with Evelyn Gonzalez debriefed the Cherry Festival Parade. Evelyn Gonzalez provided Commissioners with a breakdown of participation.
- A discussion ensued pertaining to the budget, marketing, and day-of logistics of the Parade. These areas could be improved in future years.
- Commissioners commented that announcing the awards for participants on the Main Stage was a positive addition to the Parade and Festival.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **REPORT OF CHAIR**

### **COMMISSION COMMENTS**

- Commissioner Schoenfeld said the Cherry Festival was well run and he appreciated staff's effort.
- Commissioner Zuber would like to find a way to thank Evelyn Gonzalez for her dedication to the Cherry Festival Parade.
- Commissioner Wagner requested an updated Commission roster.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MSC (Udemezue/Zuber) to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. (7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant)  
Respectfully submitted,

Jasmine Bateson, Secretary