



Recreation and Park Commission
Davis Senior Center Activity Room, 646 A Street
Thursday, June 19, 2014
MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Ira Bray (Chair), Katerina Robinson (Vice Chair), Frances Resta, Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald, and Travie Westlund

Commission Members Absent: Dawn Einwalter, Charlie Russell, and Marq Truscott (Alternate)

Council Liaison Present: Lucas Frerichs

Staff Present: David Luckscheider and Samantha Wallace

Public Present: None

Chair Ira Bray called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

F. Resta commented his written comments for Item 8 were not reflected in the meeting minutes of May 15, 2014. A motion was made by T. Westlund, seconded by F. Resta, to approve the meeting minutes of May 15, 2014 with the addition of F. Resta's written comments on Item 8.

3. Public Comments

None.

4. Written Communications

None.

5. Proclamation Recognizing July 2014 as National Park and Recreation Month

Samantha Wallace, Community Services Superintendent, presented a brief summary on National Park and Recreation Month for July 2014.

I. Bray recommended an article in the Davis Enterprise during the month of July highlighting Park and Recreation Month.

A motion was made by F. Resta, seconded by K. Robinson, to reaffirm the Commissions' support of the importance of parks and recreation within our community and express its support to the City Council for the designation of the month of July 2014 as "National Park and Recreation Month."

6. Reconsideration of Proximity Standard for Community Dog Park Facilities

David Luckscheider, Parks Manager, presented staff's recommendation on the proximity standard for Community Dog Park facilities to a range of 2-3 mile radius.

A motion was made by T. Westlund, seconded by K. Robinson, to modify the proximity standard for Community Dog Park facilities to a range of 2-3 mile radius.

7. Parks & Community Services Quarterly Performance Report

Samantha Wallace, Community Services Superintendent, highlighted the role of Davis Community Transit in the emergency evacuation operation of a residential care facility on May 22, 2014.

T. Westlund asked for clarification on several of the program budgets on pages 8 and 9.

K. Robinson asked for clarification on the budgeted amount for the Veterans' Memorial Center Modernization Capital Improvement Project on page 7.

8. Review and Discussion of Slide Hill Park

I. Bray provided an informational slide show of the amenities of Slide Hill Park and Manor Pool.

T. Westlund – wood structures will need maintenance soon, more signage is needed near the dog park area, and garbage cans should be located at each entrance point of the dog park area. He also toured the Arroyo Pool Mechanical Room and commented the pool is well maintained. At Arroyo Pool there should be a consideration of using solar panels as shade structures and as a way to generate electricity.

F. Resta – add trash bins near the dog park area at Slide Hill Park, consider reducing turf on the berms in the northeast area of the park, inquired about who owns and maintains the Girl Scout Cabin in the park, and commented the men's restroom doorway in the park needs some maintenance. He also toured the Arroyo Pool Mechanical Room and expressed concern over reduction of a Pool Maintenance Worker this last year and to consider adding some Temporary Part-time staff help during the summer. He also commented staff should look into a backup pool pump in case one goes out.

I. Bray – inquired and commented about the cell towers being installed in the park, addition of volunteer signage, several lights are burned out, the slide should consider being removed or configured for safety purposes, the tennis court gate needs to be fixed

9. Commissioner Announcements/Comments

C. Greenwald requested a brochure for July 2015 promoting City parks in conjunction with National Park and Recreation month.

Commission requested to be told when Parks and Community Services has the City booth at City Hall at the Market in order for commissioners to participate.

10. Liaison Reports

L. Frerichs, City Council Liaison – reported on June elections results, the discussion on a potential

revenue measure, an update to the recruitment of a new City Manager, encouraged Commissioners to communicate with City Council about the potential revenue measure, and requested the Proclamation for July is National Park and Recreation Month be read at the grand opening of the new playground in Central Park if the opening takes place in July.

K. Robinson, Finance and Budget Commission Liaison – reported the Finance and Budget Commission discussed a potential revenue measure and the Finance and Budget Commission is interested in joint meetings with other City Commissions.

11. Staff Reports/Updates.

Commission requested an update on the City's Volunteer program at the July meeting.

Commission decided to visit West Manor Park for the July meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Samantha Wallace
Community Services Superintendent