



**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2008**

The Sunnyvale Parks and Recreation Commission met in regular session at 7:01 p.m. on October 8, 2008, with Chair Colvin presiding. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

CALL TO ORDER / SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Colvin called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Chair Jim Colvin
Vice Chair Richard Oliver
Commissioner Howard Chuck
Commissioner Robert Harms
Commissioner Bob Kinder

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: David A. Lewis, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES - None

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A. Approval of Draft Minutes from Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission on September 10, 2008.

MOTION: Vice Chair Oliver moved and Commissioner Harms seconded to approve Consent Item 1.A.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

STAFF RESPONSES TO PRIOR PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Craig Maresca spoke about his support and belief that there is a need for more skateparks in Sunnyvale. He expressed support for the current project for lighting

the Fair Oaks skatepark and should the City implement more skatepark development projects, he would like to be involved in the planning and design.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2. Ranking of Proposed Study Issues for 2009

Following are the proposed 2009 study issues to be ranked by the Commission.

SI No.	Proposed 2009 Study Issue	Staff Recommendation
DPR-03 *	Consider Impacts and Costs for City to Sponsor an Annual Pet Parade	Against Study – Recommend Dropping
DPR-04 *	Consider Revision to General Plan Requirements for Open Space and to Park Dedication Ordinances to Support General Plan Goals	Against Study
DPR-05 *	Feasibility of Constructing Youth and Tot Playgrounds at Murphy Park	Against Study
DPR-06	Consider Potential Locations and Related Costs for Development of New Mini Parks in North Sunnyvale	Against Study
<i>* Study Issues marked with an asterisk (*) fell below the line or were deferred last year. These will be reviewed by Council regardless of any Commission recommendation.</i>		

Director Lewis reviewed the Commission process for ranking study issues and summarized the key elements of each proposed study issue. He answered questions from the Commissioners regarding various study issues.

Chair Colvin opened the public hearing at 7:23 p.m. There were no public appearances and the public hearing was closed at 7:24 p.m.

The Commissioners initiated the process for ranking study issues.

Chair Colvin called for motions to drop study issues from consideration.

MOTION: Chair Colvin moved to recommend that Council drop DPR-03 Consider Impacts and Costs for City to Sponsor an Annual Pet Parade.

The motion died for lack of a second.

MOTION: Commissioner Chuck moved and Commissioner Harms seconded to recommend that Council drop DPR-04 Consider Revision to General Plan Requirements for Open Space and to Park Dedication Ordinances to Support General Plan Goals.

VOTE: Motion failed 2-3 with Colvin, Oliver and Kinder dissenting.

MOTION: Commissioner Harms moved and Commissioner Chuck seconded to recommend that Council drop DPR-05 Feasibility of Constructing Youth and Tot Playgrounds at Murphy Park.

VOTE: Motion failed 2-3 with Colvin, Oliver and Kinder dissenting.

There were no more motions to drop study issues from consideration.

Chair Colvin called for motions to defer study issues from consideration to a later year.

MOTION: Commissioner Harms moved and Commissioner Chuck seconded to recommend that Council defer DPR-03 Consider Impacts and Costs for City to Sponsor an Annual Pet Parade.

VOTE: Motion passed 4-1 with Oliver dissenting.

MOTION: Chair Colvin moved and Commissioner Chuck seconded to recommend that Council defer DPR-04 Consider Revision to General Plan Requirements for Open Space and to Park Dedication Ordinances to Support General Plan Goals.

VOTE: Motion passed 4-1 with Harms dissenting.

MOTION: Commissioner Kinder moved and Commissioner Chuck seconded, to recommend that Council defer DPR-05 Feasibility of Constructing Youth and Tot Playgrounds at Murphy Park.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

MOTION: Commissioner Kinder moved and Commissioner Chuck seconded to recommend that Council defer DPR-06 Consider Potential Locations and Related Costs for Development of New Mini Parks in North Sunnyvale.

VOTE: Motion passed 4-1 with Oliver dissenting.

The overall Commission rankings of study issues for 2009 were as follows:

SI No.	Proposed 2009 Study Issue	Commission Recommendation
DPR-03 *	Consider Impacts and Costs for City to Sponsor an Annual Pet Parade	Defer
DPR-04 *	Consider Revision to General Plan Requirements for Open Space and to Park Dedication Ordinances to Support General Plan Goals	Defer
DPR-05 *	Feasibility of Constructing Youth and Tot Playgrounds at Murphy Park	Defer

SI No.	Proposed 2009 Study Issue	Commission Recommendation
DPR-06	Consider Potential Locations and Related Costs for Development of New Mini Parks in North Sunnyvale	Defer
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3. Work Plan Calendar

Director Lewis informed the Commissioners that the December 2, 2008, Council date for Parks of the Future Study may slip because the report is still being worked on.

Commissioner Kinder inquired as to why no Commission meeting date was listed on the January calendar. Director Lewis said he would find out.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

COMMISSION

Commissioner Chuck informed the Commissioners about the recent Heritage Park Museum grand opening. He said it was a success and encouraged the Commissioners to visit.

Commissioner Harms commented that the Senior Center lunch program was undergoing a change and that the previous contractor was no longer providing the service. He said that while a new permanent provider is being sought, the lunch program is continuing via a rotation of area restaurants.

STAFF

No comments.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

- Miscellaneous Items of Interest

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Colvin adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Lewis, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

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