



## APPROVED MINUTES

### SUNNYVALE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

April 10, 2013

The Parks and Recreation Commission met in regular session in Council Chambers, 456 West Olive Avenue at 7:00 PM with Chair Kinder presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Board/Commission Members Present:**

Chair Robert Kinder  
Vice Chair Robert Pochowski  
Commissioner Robert Harms  
Commissioner Craig Pasqua

##### **Board/Commission Members Absent:**

Commissioner Henry Alexander

**Council Liaison:** Councilmember David Whittum (present)

##### **Staff Present:**

Lisa G. Rosenblum, Director of Library and Community Services  
Kent Steffens, Director of Public Works  
Scott Morton, Superintendent of Parks and Golf  
Daniel Wax, Superintendent of Community Services  
Anna Lewis, Administrative Aide

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS** - None

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1.A. Approval of Draft Minutes of March 13, 2013

**Chair Kinder requested a motion to approve consent calendar. Commissioner Harms moved to approve, Commissioner Pasqua seconded. Commissioner Pochowski abstained. Motion carries (3-0-1)**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

2. Superintendent Morton introduced naming of the park at 545 Santa Real Avenue. He provided the commissioners the 174 names submitted by the public in a park naming contest. City Council will select the park name from the 10 names the Commissioners choose to move forward to Council, tentatively scheduled on the June 25 Council meeting agenda. Commissioners decided they would each identify 10 names from the list, and provide it to Administrative Aide, due May 1, 2013. Names will be compiled for review by Commission during the May 8, 2013 meeting, for selection of the final 10 names to submit to Council. Commissioners were reminded that the selected name must meet Council Policy 7.3.23 Naming/Renaming Parks and Recreation Facilities.

## **NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

### Board Members Oral Comments

Commissioner Harms requested input from Dog Park meetings. Superintended Morton shared that two meetings occurred, 15 people and 8 dogs have attended. A large number of participants are expected from the online survey which is available until the end of April. The Study Issue is tentatively schedule for the July 23<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting.

Commissioner Kinder shared that he will move to Roseville at the end of April.

### Staff Oral Comments

Director Rosenblum introduced Daniel Wax, Superintendent of Community Services. He has worked as Division Manager for the City of San Jose, overseeing 50+ community centers, and a \$15 million operating budget. He also worked for 20 years at UCLA managing facilities and recreation programs. He is a graduate from Cal Berkley and completed his graduate program at Tulane.

Superintendent Morton shared highlights about the Adopt-a-Park program, at DeAnza Park the Kiwanis Club had 35 high school students and adults replanting trees and spreading 50 cubic yards of mulch. Additional groups include the Raynor Neighborhood Association adopting Raynor park and the Persian Association adopting Fair Oaks Park.

## **INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS**

Draft for Arts Commission Review; Review and Selection of the Seven Seas Park Public Art Project (RTC) - Director Rosenblum explained the process for the selection of the Art in Public Places for Seven Seas Park. Staff reviewed and made a recommendation of art work, the Arts Commission review the art work and made a different recommendation, and Council will make final decision in the Council meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Review of Draft Park Dedication Fund 20-year Capital Plan – Commissioner Morton provided a copy of the Park Dedication fund expenditures. Two plans provided; Plan A sets aside 20% for acquisition, and Pan B set 40% aside for acquisition. Council will consider and act on this budget. \$150 million anticipated from Planning Department. Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup> will include discussion and comments on agenda which will be provided to Council. The categories identified in PDF funds include: Maintenance of infrastructure of existing facilities, purchase and development of new land, major renovation and development and enhancement of existing City parks, renovation and enhancement for parks that are

provided through special agreements to use land, forming new agreements with agencies and enhancing land. Director Steffens explained details of the budget, clarifying that the budget allows for flexibility to add projects as needs are identified. Differences between plan A and B are the rate of money set aside until the acquisition funds reach \$20 million for land purchases and development. Plan B sets money aside more quickly which could allow for a larger land purchase, plan A sets aside acquisition money aside more slowly and which allows for funding maintenance and infrastructure projects sooner.

Commissioners requested a tour so they can be more familiar with the park needs. Tours will be scheduled individually via the Administrative Aide.

Commissioner Harms asked if the demographics were taken into consideration. Superintendent Morton explained that Sunnyvale is growing, and public feedback is taken into consideration when during design and construction of projects.

Update on Seven Seas Park construction project – Mitigation of soil for environmental hazards is complete, the Department of Toxic Substance Control is reviewing for approval by April 22, 2013. Final design plans are scheduled to be completed in May, construction bids in June, award construction contract in July, construction to begin in August, and open in Summer 2014. A dog park is included.

Senior Center Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon, April 12, 2013

Fit and Fun Fair, Fair Oaks Park, May 4, 2013

Hands on the Arts, Sunnyvale Community Center, May 18, 2013

Chair Kinder requested update on Restaurants at golf courses. Sunnyvale Golf Course - Snack Shack is open and restaurant is expected to open in May. Sunken Gardens restaurant is open.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa G. Rosenblum  
Director of Library and Community Services.