City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Final
Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, September 11, 2024	**7:00 PM**	**Online and Bay Conference Room (Room 145), City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086**

CALL TO ORDER

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Kesting led the salute to the United States flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Chair David Kesting
Vice Chair Dona Mason
Commissioner Daniel Bremond
Commissioner Prashant Gattani
Commissioner Prakash Giri

Council Liaison Melton (present)

PRESENTATION

A 24-0874 Youth and Teens Overview

Jesus Raygoza, Recreation Service Manager, presented an overview of Youth and Teens services. Highlights included: summer camp enrollment totals, year round programs, Columbia Neighborhood Center highlights, teen programming, recruitment, and expansion.

Commissioners asked about volunteer age minimum, camp registration date, and expanding youth and teen programs throughout north/south Sunnyvale locations.

B 24-0841 Golf and Tennis Reports

Jim Stark, Superintendent of Parks and Golf, presented a report on Golf and Tennis. He was accompanied by Rodney Wilson, Golf Operations Manager, and Michael Scadden, General Manager of Lifetime Tennis. Highlights included: golf

courses, capital projects, summer camps, restaurants, Las Palmas Tennis Center, state of tennis, pickle ball facility improvements, and introduction of padel.

Commissioners asked how mini golf companies and Top Golf impact golf in general, if there will be open tennis courts for residents residing near Las Palmas Park, adding golfing usage stats to future reports, and use of Park Dedication Fund.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Bremond moved and Chair Kesting seconded the motion to Approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Kesting
Vice Chair Mason
Commissioner Bremond
Commissioner Gattani
Commissioner Giri

No: 0

1 24-0842 Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2024

Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes of July 10, 2024 as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

None.

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

2 24-0661 Cultural Green Space

Commissioner Gatanni presented on his potential study issue - a cultural green space for special events.

Commissioners and staff discussed Council's study session regarding special event permits.

Commissioners did a random voice vote. The study issue was sponsored by a 3-2 vote.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Chair Kesting asked Council Liaison Melton to provide an overview of Council's discussion regarding ESD 24-01 regarding pros and cons of natural fields vs. artificial turf.

Additionally, Chair Kesting asked staff to provide a presentation on Council's decision to approve natural fields instead of artificial turf at Lakewood Park.

-Staff Comments

Council Liaison Melton provided an update on Las Palmas Park renovation timeline and informed the Commission that the City is planning to rename the dog park after the fallen police canine, Jax.

Damon Sparacino, Superintendent of Recreation Services, provided an recap for the Lakewood Branch Library ground breaking event.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

3 24-0843 Parks and Recreation Commission Proposed Study Issues, Calendar Year: 2025

Standing item.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kesting adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.