



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

7:00 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Web Stream

TELECONFERENCE NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and Section 42 of Executive Order N-08-21 (June 11, 2021), issued by Governor Newsom, the meeting was conducted telephonically.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Giri called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Daniel Bremond
Commissioner Gregory Dibb
Commissioner Prakash Giri
Commissioner David Kesting
Commissioner Dona Mason

Council Liaison Hendricks (present)

PRESENTATION

[21-0729](#) Parks and Recreation Month Report

Superintendent of Recreation Services, Damon Sparacino, and Superintendent of Golf and Parks, Jim Stark, provided a presentation on Parks and Recreation Month. Highlights included: Parks and Recreation month proclamation, recreation statistics and park updates.

Commissioners inquired and Chair responded:

How long does turf last before needing replacement? The synthetic field at Fair Oaks will be on a 10-year replacement schedule.

Will the Indoor Sports Center reopen for drop-in programs? Yes, currently the Indoor

Sports Center is being used for camp programming, but will reopen for our drop-in programs in mid-to-late August.

Council Liaison Vice Mayor Hendricks asked staff to show statistics of 2020 in future presentations.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

S Bremond, Sunnyvale resident, asked the Commission to explore creating additional pickle ball courts and the use of electric leaf blowers throughout the City.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice Chair Giri moved and Commissioner Bremond seconded the motion to approve the consent calendar as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Bremond
Commissioner Dibb
Commissioner Giri
Commissioner Kesting
Commissioner Mason

No: 0

[21-0728](#) Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2021

Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes of June 9, 2021 as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

[21-0733](#) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Commissioners discussed and nominated members for Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioner Bremond moved and Commissioner Kesting seconded the motion to approve the selection of Prakash Giri as Chair and Gregory Dibb as Vice Chair.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Bremond
Commissioner Dibb
Commissioner Giri
Commissioner Kesting
Commissioner Mason

No: 0

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

[21-0730](#) Parks and Recreation Commission Proposed Study Issues,
Calendar Year: 2022

Standing item. No study issues approved in previous meeting were proposed.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

None.

-Staff Comments

Jim Stark followed up on the public inquiry asked during Oral Communications regarding the use of gas leaf blowers. He noted that the City has explored new technology to replace gas-powered leaf blowers. Currently, electric leaf blowers are \$1,000 more expensive per unit and do not have the required power to replace gas-powered yet. The City will continue to research and recently purchased quieter gas-powered leaf blowers to lessen the noise.

Damon Sparacino followed up on the public inquiry asked during Oral Communications regarding creating additional pickle ball courts. He noted that currently the City has a Expanded Sports study issue that was ranked last year. Although it was not funded, it will have the opportunity to be ranked again this year. He added, there are four pickle ball courts at Las Palmas, and once summer camp programming is over, the Indoor Sports Center will host pickle ball scrimmages in late August or early September.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Giri adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.