



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, July 9, 2014

7:00 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall, 456 W. Olive
Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Alexander led the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Chair Henry Alexander III
Vice Chair Craig Pasqua
Commissioner Ralph Kenton
Commissioner Robert Pochowski

Council Liaison Larsson (present)

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A. 14-0651 Draft Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of June 11, 2014.

Commissioner Kenton moved and Vice Chair Pasqua seconded the motion to approve the draft minutes of June 11, 2014. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chair Alexander III
Vice Chair Pasqua
Commissioner Kenton

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Pochowski

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**2 14-0462 Recreational Hunting and Safe Access to Open Space (Study Issue)**

Deputy Chief Pitts provided the staff report about recreational hunting near Moffett Channel. He answered Commissioner questions regarding current enforcement including current municipal codes, the number of violations recorded over the last year, the permitted uses and caliber of allowable firearms dictated by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) code. He also answered questions about proposed signage, such as the number of signs currently posted, costs for new signs, if research was conducted to identify what other cities have done in similar situations and it's impact, and if additional signs in the adjacent cities are also worthwhile.

Vice Chair Pasqua moved and Commissioner Pochowski seconded to approve Alternative No. 1: Acknowledge staff's operational approach to this issue by increasing and improving signage in the area, in combination with combined enforcement efforts with CDFW and the City of San Jose during hunting season. Staff will update the Council on the outcome of these efforts through an information only report or the City Manager's Bi-Weekly Report.

Commissioners provided their rationale for their vote. They indicated that signs appear to be the only legal alternative and are a proactive approach to inform recreational users of the legal hunting areas and related regulations. In addition, they also stated that installing signs is a low cost solution.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Chair Alexander III
 Vice Chair Pasqua
 Commissioner Kenton
 Commissioner Pochowski

No: 0

3 14-0652 Election of Chair and Vice Chair.

Nominations were opened for Chair to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Commissioner Pochowski nominated Chair Alexander who accepted the