



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

7:00 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Web Stream

TELECONFERENCE NOTICE

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the meeting was conducted telephonically.

Chair Kenton called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Chair Ralph Kenton
Vice Chair Prakash Giri
Commissioner Daniel Bremond
Commissioner Gregory Dibb
Commissioner Mike Michitaka

Council Liaison Hendricks (Present)

PRESENTATION

A [21-0089](#) Park Dedication Fund Review

Superintendent of Parks and Golf, Jim Stark provided an update on the Park Dedication Fund. Highlights included: background of fund's purpose, current budget, and update on current renovations at Community Center, Washington Swim Complex and Lakewood Park.

Commissioners inquired and staff responded:

How are the fund's usage decided? The funds are managed by our Finance Department and projects are guided by the 20-year plan.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Kenton opened oral communications and there being no public testimony, closed oral communications.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Kenton
Vice Chair Giri
Commissioner Bremond
Commissioner Dibb
Commissioner Michitaka

No: 0

1A [21-0055](#) Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2020

Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes of October 14, 2020 as submitted.

1B [21-0088](#) Approve the Joint Parks and Recreation Commission and Board of Library Trustees Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2020

Approve the Joint Parks and Recreation Commission and Board of Library Trustees Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2020 as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2 [21-0054](#) Rank 2021 Study Issues

Commissioners collectively discussed the study issues of DPW 20-03 Waste Reduction Initiative in Sunnyvale Parks, DPW 20-11 Evaluate Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Parks, and LRS 20-03 Assessment of Needs for Additional Outdoor Sports Programs and Facilities.

Chair Kenton thanked the public for their emails regarding their support for the DPW 20-11 Evaluate Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Parks study issue.

Chair Kenton opened for public comment.

Sunnyvale resident, Carol S., affirmed her support for DPW 20-11 Evaluate

Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Parks study issue. She noted that the study issue was ranked #1 at the PRC meeting in January 2020. Carol stated that residents with pets would work within the confines of the pilot, but currently there is no program to work with.

Sunnyvale resident, Kathleen P., voiced her support for DPW 20-11 Evaluate Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Parks study issue. She noted that currently the Seven Seas Park has a designated dog park; however, the fenced area is limited, terrain is rocky and the ground does not absorb the smell of urine very well. She is supportive of exploring alternative spaces for dogs.

Chair Kenton closed public comment.

Staff conducted a random voice vote and informed the Commissioners of the ranking study issue results:

1. LRS 20-03 Assessment of Needs for Additional Outdoor Sports Programs and Facilities
2. DPW 20-11 Evaluate Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Parks
3. DPW 20-03 Waste Reduction Initiative in Sunnyvale Parks

Commissioner Bremond moved and Commissioner Giri seconded the motion to adopt the ranking as provided.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Kenton
Vice Chair Giri
Commissioner Bremond
Commissioner Dibb
Commissioner Michitaka

No: 0

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

- 3 [21-0056](#) Parks and Recreation Commission Proposed Study Issues,
Calendar Year: 2022

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

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Giri asked and staff responded.

Are there any volunteer opportunities associated with parks? Yes, the public can either call the Parks division for volunteer opportunities or participate in the adopt a park program.

Chair Kenton added that the City website has many newsletters that patrons can subscribe to for relevant information throughout the City.

-Staff Comments

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kenton adjourned the meeting at 8:41pm.