



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

7:00 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Web Stream

TELECONFERENCE NOTICE

Pursuant to Government Code Subdivision 54953 (e), the meeting was conducted telephonically; pursuant to state law, the City Council is scheduled to make the necessary findings on October 26, 2021.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Chair Prakash Giri
Vice Chair Gregory Dibb
Commissioner David Kesting
Commissioner Dona Mason
Absent: 1 - Commissioner Daniel Bremond

Commissioner Bremond attended late at 8:44pm.

Council Liaison Hendricks attended.

PRESENTATION

A [21-0953](#) Fee Waiver Report

Recreation Services Coordinator, Dustyn Bindel, provided a report on the Fee Waiver program. Highlights included: background, program report out, maximum income eligibility criteria, subsidized rate examples, number of youth served, and upcoming changes.

Council Liaison Hendricks recommended that Recreation Services introduce fee waiver changes during the upcoming budget process, as opposed to during a Council study session.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Giri opened oral communications and there was no public testimony, closed oral communications.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

The motion carried by the following vote:

- 1 [21-0954](#) Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2021

Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2021 as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

- 2 [21-0201](#) Review and Recommendation to the City Council for the Final Park Design at One Redwood Place - Previous AMD Site

Superintendent of Golf and Parks, Jim Stark, provided a presentation on the Final Park Design at One Redwood Place and introduced architects Dennis Sullivan and Mark Garrity. Highlights included: site context map, project history, conceptual design, Commission and Council actions, rendering of Redwood Place Park, overall site plan, design theme, park goals, site imagery, key differences from initial conceptual plan, and alternative recommendations.

Commissioners inquired and staff responded:

Can staff provide more info on the park dedication fund? Yes, staff will connect offline and send links.

Will there be any lighting around the large field at One Redwood Place? There will be lighting around the walkways for safe pedestrian travel, but not lights around the field. The neighborhood park will be open from dusk till dawn.

Council Liaison Hendricks recommended that staff make a shorter presentation when presenting to Council.

Commissioner Kesting moved and Commissioner Dibb seconded the motion to approved the final design of AMD Park described in Attachment 5 with decomposed granite surfacing for the dog park.

Yes: 4 - Chair Giri
Vice Chair Dibb
Commissioner Kesting
Commissioner Mason

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bremond

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

3 [21-0951](#) Discussion and Consideration of Potential Study Issue: Study of Hitting Cages in Sunnyvale

Parks and Recreation Commissioner, David Kesting presented a potential study issue on Hitting Cages in Sunnyvale. The study would suggest inputting hitting cages at all parks with clay infields in Sunnyvale and be open to public to use, as opposed to exclusive use.

Commissioner Giri, Dibb, Kesting and Mason supported the study issue to be added to the running list.

4 [21-0950](#) Discussion and Consideration of Potential Study Issue: Field Permitting Transparency

David Kesting presented a potential study issue on Field Permitting Transparency. The study would suggest creating a spreadsheet or page on website to provide the public with clarification on which fields are being used, when they are reserved and by which users. Transparency would decrease conflict between field users.

Staff clarified that field users are required to bring their permits to their reservation and potentially display it to alleviate conflict with other field users. Additionally, staff is working to provide an annual report on field usage to the Commission.

Commissioner Giri, Dibb, Kesting and Mason supported the study issue to be added to the running list.

Chair Giri opened for public comment:

Commissioner Daniel Bremond informed the Commission that he did not receive a panelist Zoom link to the meeting, but was in attendance as a public member. Ricky Le will connect offline to ensure Commissioner Bremond receives the meeting link for future meetings.

Sunnyvale residents Steve C., David W., John F., Seba H., Amy L., Patricia N., Sean L., and James B. were supportive of both studies issues presented.

- 5 [21-0955](#) 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

Commissioner Kesting thanked commissioners and the public for attending the meeting.

-Staff Comments

Ricky Le notified the Commission that the November Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will have the following items: Review and Approve 2022 Master Work Plan, and Annual Review of Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Giri adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.