

MINUTES

GARDEN GROVE PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Thursday
October 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: The regular session of the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission was called to order at 6:03 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center.

PRESENT: Chair Piccirillo, Vice Chair Galschiodt,
Commissioners Adams, Chung, Malcolm, Selvaggi,
Wallin

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Community Services Manager, Pilar Alcivar-McCoy; Supervisor, Saimi Hayes; Administrative Analyst, Janet Pelayo; Parks Supervisor, Patricia Hayes; Recording Secretary, Sugeiry Reynoso.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Galschiodt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Galschoidt moved to approve the Minutes from June 12, 2008 seconded by Commissioner Malcolm. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Chung, Galschiodt, Malcolm, Piccirillo, Wallin
NOES: Commissioners: None
ABSENT: Commissioners: None
ABSTAIN: Commissioners: Adam, Selvaggi

Vice Chair Galschoidt moved to approve the Minutes from July 10, 2008 seconded by Commissioner Malcolm. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners: Adams, Chung, Galschiodt, Malcolm, Piccirillo,
NOES: Commissioners: None
ABSENT: Commissioners: None
ABSTAIN: Commissioners: Selvaggi, Wallin

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

Tour of Outdoor Fitness Equipment

Saimi Hayes provided information and details about the outdoor fitness equipment recently installed at the Senior Center Circle. Pilar Alcivar McCoy invited the Commissioners to view and test the equipment.

Dog Park Update

Janet Pelayo distributed an aerial design of the dog park location at Garden Grove Park. Ms. Pelayo informed the Commission that project bids were due back in the next couple of weeks, and the goal was to complete the project by December. Ms. Pelayo explained that the project would include fencing as well as amenities such as a water fountain, disposable waste receptacles and benches.

Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center Update

Pilar Alcivar McCoy informed the Commission that bids for the Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center project was over the available budget. Modifications have been made to the plans in order to decrease project costs. Ms. Alcivar McCoy explained that staff was preparing to re-bid the project in upcoming weeks. The goal is for project construction to commence in early 2009 and be completed by the end of the calendar year.

Funding for Eastgate Park Picnic Shelter

Pilar Alcivar McCoy informed the Commission that the City was on a list through Supervisor Moorloch's office for potential funding for the replacement of the Eastgate Park shelter. It is uncertain whether or not there will be funding for this project.

Garden Grove Park and Eastgate Park Restrooms

Pilar Alcivar McCoy provided an update on the status of the restrooms at Garden Grove Park and Eastgate Park. Since only one bid was received for this project, it was determined that the project would go out to bid again.

Reappointment of Commission

Pilar Alcivar McCoy reminded the Commissioners that if they were interested in being reappointed to the Commission, they could visit the City website and apply online. Hard copy applications have been mailed and can be turned in to the City Clerk's Office.

Gem Theater Update

Janet Pelayo provided an update on the Gem Theater, stating that theater operations are going well. Ms. Pelayo also provided some statistics on the past and current productions. The next production is Steel Magnolias and begins on November 13.

Ms. Pelayo also informed the Commissioners of the upcoming Teen 4-D Movie Night that is scheduled at the Gem Theater featuring the movie "The Grudge." This special movie night will be made possible with the help of the Community Services and Gem Theater staff.

Teen Center Update

Pilar Alcivar McCoy provided information about an eight-week summer pilot teen program at Eastgate Park. The teen center, also called the "Wreck Hall," had an average of 25 kids per day with over 800 visits throughout the summer. A variety of activities were organized each week including local field trips, physical activities, and movie nights. Board games, a ping-pong table and a Wii video game system were also made available for participants. Ms. Alcivar McCoy explained that if the budget allows, the teen center will possibly reopen in the fall for the school year.

COMMISSION MATTERS

Community Services Calendar

Pilar Alcivar McCoy gave an update of upcoming events including Teen Movie Fright Night scheduled on Friday, October 17, at the Gem Theater and Jack O' Lantern Jamboree on Friday, October 24, at Atlantis Park. Winterfest is scheduled on Saturday, December 1, and Tree Lighting on Tuesday, December 2.

Saimi Hayes informed the Commission that on November 6 flu shots would be given at the Senior Center and the Community Meeting Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Piccorillo adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Sugeiry Reynoso
Recording Secretary