

**PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, August 4, 2022**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Chair Krogh called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

- a. Present: Vice Chair Krogh & Commissioners Jimenez, Singh, & Souza
- b. Absent: Chair Lieberg
- c. Staff Present: Brian MacDonald, Director of Parks & Recreation; Jolene Jauregui, Recreation Services Manager; Thien Nguyen, Recreation Services Supervisor; Katie Akre, Recreation Program Coordinator; Sekou Millington, Police Chief; Ana Contreras, Community Preservation Manager; & Riana Daniel, Deputy City Attorney
- d. Recorded By: Andrea Pedigo, Executive Assistant

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Chair Krogh

**4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Ester Garcia Kelly and Alice English, Community Members stated they attended the Southside Community meeting and concerns were brought up regarding McDonald Park. Ms. Kelly stated that the wood chips need to be refilled and they are very deep. There is a gap from the top of the concrete of about a foot deep. Someone could potentially get hurt. She also stated that the slide is enclosed and really need to be an open slide.

Ms. English stated that Josie mentioned the slide is very dirty inside and that she was going to reach out to Director MacDonald.

Ms. Kelly stated the park needs an upgrade.

**5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

- a. Reviewed and Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes from **June 2, 2022**

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Souza and seconded by Vice Chair Krogh to approve the minutes from June 2, 2022. Roll call found Vice Chair Krogh and Commissioners Jimenez and Souza all in favor. Commissioner Singh abstained. Passed and so ordered with a 3,0,1 vote

**6. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT CHANGES TO THE 2023 CITY OF TRACY SPORTS FIELD RESERVATION HANDBOOK**

Katie Akre presented the staff report and changes to the Commission.

Commission questions and comments followed.

Thien Nguyen, Recreation Supervisor answered the question of the commission.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Vice Chair Krogh to approve the changes to the Sports Field Reservation Handbook and Commissioner Souza seconded the motion. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered with a 4,0,0 vote.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. RECEIVE PRESENTATION AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT OF THE TRACY MUNICIPAL CODE TO UPDATE TITLE 4 “PUBLIC WELFARE, MORALS, AND CONDUCT” PROHIBITING CERTAIN ACTS, SLEEPING, AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN PARKS**

Brian MacDonald, Parks and Recreation Director thanked everyone for coming. He briefed the commission and audience regarding the changes to the proposed ordinance.

Chief Millington, Police Chief gave a brief introduction of who has worked diligently on the new ordinance changes.

Ana Contreras presented the staff report to the commission.

Alice English stated she missed the 1<sup>st</sup> part of the presentation, but she believes Ms. Contreras answered her questions.

Questions of the commission followed.

Ms. Contreras, Community Preservation Manager; Chief Millington, Police Chief; and Riana Daniel, Deputy City Attorney answered the questions of the commission.

Additional questions of the commission followed.

Mr. MacDonald, Director of Parks & Recreation and Thien Nguyen, Recreation Supervisor answered the additional questions of the commission.

Vice Chair Krogh closed the discussion and stated there is no action, the commission accepted the report and thanked the staff.

**8. ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**a. RECEIVE THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES REPORT**

Katie Akre presented the report.

Vice Chair Krogh opened the item to public comment.

Conrad Levoit thanked Katie for her presentation. Mr. Levoit stated that tables that were added to the Community Center are a big plus, however, the sound system needs an upgrade.

Conrad Levoit mentioned that 4<sup>th</sup> of July event at Kimball went very well, however, we need to relook at the parking situation from a security standpoint.

**9. PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT**  
**a. AQUATIC CENTER UPDATE**

Brian MacDonald, Director of Parks and Recreation stated that he is not at liberty to do an update as there is no update at this time. Mr. MacDonald stated that at this time the DA agreement is under litigation and the City Attorney's office will be responsible to provide answers the court in September he believes.

**10. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION**  
**a. FY22/23 COMMISSION GOALS & OBJECTIVES UPDATE**

Vice Chair asked staff if there was anything we needed to update.

Jolene Jauregui, Recreation Services Manager stated we would like to get an update every month on their goals.

Jolene Jauregui, Recreation Services Manager reminded the Commission that we will have our next block party on August 5 with the band Clean Slate and the last one will be on September 9.

Commissioner Singh thanked the staff with the Parks and Recreation department for a commendable job with the Movies on the Plaza event. He personally attended with his 3-year-old and he enjoyed all the different activities for the kids.

Commissioner Jimenez stated that she attended the bi-weekly Tracy Friends for Parks, Recreation and Community meeting and the following question was brought up. It was asked if the public has utilized the funds allocated to Joe Wilson Pool swim lessons or should these funds be used in another way.

Thien Nguyen, Recreation Supervisor stated that he doesn't know the exact number however, they have received a number of applications and have awarded 2.

Commissioner Jimenez asked to look at the funds that were approved for youth lifeguards and if there is any way they can help.

Jolene Jauregui, Recreation Services Manager mentioned that staff will be doing a promotional video highlighting the season, as well as promoting the scholarship in order to recruit new lifeguards.

Commissioner Jimenez stated the board for the Tracy Friends Foundation will be again hosting the alcohol beverage booth at the August downtown block party. They mentioned at that meeting that the July block party was very profitable. Volunteers are welcome to help in the booth.

Commissioner Jimenez reported that the Senior Association continues to meet and address the needs of seniors. They now have a volunteer that help field calls and is the handyman for seniors that are in need of assistance.

Vice Chair Krogh asked about the restriping of the crosswalks near schools. He mentioned that there is one near Zanussi Park that needs restriping.

Brian MacDonald, Director of Parks & Recreation stated to put in a Go Request in.

Conrad Levoit asked to reopen item #4 - public comment.

Vice Chair Krogh re-opened item #4 – public comment.

Conrad Levoit representative for Southside wanted to reiterate the comment from Ester Kelly regarding McDonald Park and the items that need to be updated i.e. bathrooms, graphite that needs to be repainted and playground. He thanked Director MacDonald for being out there today to take a look at the needs.

Alice English mentioned that some seniors had concerns about the homeless bathing the water fountain. She encouraged her to come in and speak to someone.

Vice Chair Krogh closed public comments.

**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

Time of Adjournment: 8:08 pm

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Souza and seconded by Commissioner Singh to adjourn the meeting at said time of 8:08pm. All in favor, passed and so ordered with 4,0,0 vote.

The above agenda was posted at Tracy City Hall on July 28, 2022. The above are action minutes. A recording of the meeting is available at the Parks and Recreation Department.

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Jolene Jauregui, Staff Liaison