

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, February 13, 2024**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Lieberg called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

- a. Present: Chair Lieberg and Commissioners Arbogast and Shrout
- b. Absent: Vice Chair Abercrombie & Commissioner Jimenez
- c. Staff Present: Justin Geibig, Recreation Services Supervisor, Joseph Viorge-Koide, Economic Development Technician, Jorge Barrera, Economic Development Manager, Kimberly Murdaugh, Interim Assistant City Manager
- d. Recorded By: Andrea Pedigo, Executive Assistant and Norma Padilla, Administrative Assistant

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Lieberg

**4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

There were no public comments via the audience.

**5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

- a. Reviewed and Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes from **December 7, 2023**

**ACTION:** Commissioner Shrout motioned to approve the December 7, 2023, meeting minutes as written, and Commissioner Arbogast seconded the motion. Roll call found all in favor with a 3,0,0 vote. Passed and so ordered.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION'S SUBCOMMITTEE RANKING AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE ALLOCATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME) FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO CITY COUNCIL.**

Jospeh Viorge-Kiode, Economic Development Technician presented the staff report to the Commission.

Commissioner comments followed.

Marcia Kirk, Tracy resident and part of the Good Shepherd Community Church stated that this was the 1<sup>st</sup> time they submitted for the grant as they provide a tremendous amount of service for the homeless. She also mentioned they partner with Tracy Community Connections Center, Tracy Family Resource Center who also rents space out of their building. Good Shepherd Community Church provides community meals.

Good Shepherd Community Church submitted the grant as they are highly qualified to serve; however, they were not awarded funds.

Marcia Kirk mentioned the grant was going to be used on security as they have a lot of homeless who go through their building, which sits within a neighborhood which has generated safety concerns from the neighbors.

Marcia Kirk would like to know what more they could do to receive funding as they want to continue to be able to serve the community. Marcia mentioned that they provided a warming center when the City of Tracy needed one as well as their emergency shelter when there was a community need. She stated they have very limited financial resources, and they are at a point where they need help and would like to know what they can do to partner with the City so they can receive some type of funding, even if it is revisiting some type of financial support as the security is a huge issue for them.

Marcia Kirk would like the City to help and asked how they can get help.

Comments followed by Chair Lieberg.

Jorge Barrera, Economic Development Manager let Marcia Kirk know that he could meet with her offline to see what help he can offer to help outside of CDBG and the City.

Marcia Kirk thanked staff.

Chair Lieberg encouraged her to continue to apply and hit on the key points that he stated earlier.

**ACTION:** Commissioner ShROUT motioned to accept the Parks and Community Services Commission's subcommittee ranking and funding for the allocation of the CDBG funds for FY 2024-2025 and make a recommendation to City Council. Commissioner Arbogast seconded the motion. Roll call found all in favor with a 3,0,0 vote. Passed and so ordered.

## 7. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

Chair Lieberg stated that former city council member, Mary Mitracos had sued the Surland Developers regarding the Aquatic Center. Her lawsuit quote on quote won. The 2<sup>nd</sup> DA agreement was told to unwind, which went back to court and the judge stated it was unwound and finalized but there was no money awarded.

Chair Lieberg stated that Surland admitted they owe the city \$8M, however, they threatened to sue the city if they accept the 16 acres. Lieberg mentioned that the city has tried to negotiate with Surland, but it has not led to an agreement.

Surland's lawyer stated they aren't concerned with the city council suing, as they can't get 3 votes.

Chair Lieberg stated he spoke to council on Tuesday and provided his input.

Chair Lieberg mentioned that the Parks Commission is only an advisory commission and do not make decisions, however, he would like to request a 2<sup>nd</sup> from the commission to bring an item back to the commission. He is requesting a staff report on an update of the aquatic center, specifically asking for an action item for us to make a recommendation to City Council.

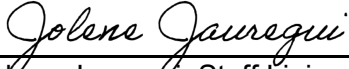
Commissioner Arbogast seconded the request of Chair Lieberg.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Time of Adjournment: 6:26 pm

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Shroust and seconded by Commissioner Arbogast to adjourn the meeting at said time of 6:26 pm. Roll call found all in favor, passed and so ordered with 3,0,0 vote.

The above agenda was posted at Tracy City Hall on February 8, 2024. 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

Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Director