

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2017

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Levoit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
 - a. Present: Vice Chair Levoit; Commissioners Birk, Gouveia, Johnson, Jimenez, Saltzman
 - b. Absent: Chair Douglas
 - c. Staff Present: André Pichly, Parks & Recreation Director; Jolene Jauregui, Recreation Supervisor; Ed Lovell, Management Analyst II; Christine Mabry, Management Analyst; Chris McDermott, Civil Engineer; Martin Morozowsky, Public Works Superintendent
 - d. Recorded By: Sandra Edwards, Executive Assistant
3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** Jeremy Straus suggested a dirt bike park for Tracy - non-motorized (BMX). It was Commission consensus to bring a future agenda item back for discussion.
4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF**
 - a. Motion: Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the Minutes of January 5, 2017.
 - b. Second: Johnson
 - c. Abstain: Gouveia
 - d. Vote: Approved by unanimous vote
 - a. Motion: Commissioner Jimenez made a motion to approve the Minutes of February 2, 2017, as amended.
 - b. Second: Johnson
 - c. Abstain: Gouveia
 - d. Vote: Approved by unanimous vote
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Parks and Community Services Commission Goals
 - i. Support Efficient Policies – No update provided
 - ii. Community Involvement – Commissioner Johnson reported that on May 24, 2017, at the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, they will be holding a Senior Awareness Day.
 - iii. Park, Facility, and Sports Field Safety – No update provided

Vice Chair Levoit asked if there was an update regarding cameras in the parks. Martin Morozowsky said he did not have any information at this time.

Vice Chair Levoit stated he and Commissioner Johnson attended the CPRS Convention and they spoke about cameras and their benefits. Mr. Morozowsky suggested they meet with the Police Department. Commissioner Jimenez suggested the Commission provide the Police Department with information from other cities regarding their use of cameras in park.

6. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

- a. APPROVE THE DESIGNS FOR SIX PARK RENOVATION PROJECTS UNDER CIPs 78149, 78150 & 78160 – Chris McDermott, Development Services Civil Engineer, provided a presentation on the parks being considered for renovation.

The Commission discussed park footprints, clarified what wood fiber was made of, which park features were accessible for a disabled person, lighting, and crime complaints at Sullivan Park. Color schemes of the playground equipment were also discussed.

Motion: Johnson
Second: Gouveia
Opposed: None
Vote: Approved by unanimous vote

- b. PROVIDE UPDATE AND RECEIVE FEEDBACK REGARDING THE CONCEPTUAL ELEMENTS FOR THE AQUATIC CENTER - CIP 78054 – André Pichly provided the staff report. Ed Lovell summarized the information received from the workshops regarding number of votes, number of preferences, and amenity ranking.

Mr. Pichly continued the report and provided a review of the components presented during the design workshops and public outreach.

The Commissioners voiced their frustration over the many years the project has taken. The Commissioners spoke about needs, preferences, features, ADA accessibility, and budget. One point all Commissioners agreed upon was that it needed to be built now.

Vice Chair Levoit asked for information regarding the kitchen at the Joe Wilson Pool. Mr. Pichly indicated a vendor was in place for the snack bar. It was agreed to add an item to a future agenda to discuss it.

Commissioner Jimenez asked what the deal included from Surland.

Chris Long, Surland Company, stated he agreed it has been way too long, and spoke about the hiring of consultants.

Vice Chair Levoit asked for the location of the aquatic center. Mr. Long indicated northwest of Linne Road and Corral Hollow Road.

Vice Chair Levoit invited members of the public to provide input.

Robert Tanner discussed funding and suggested building the pool, a lazy river, an indoor facility, and forget the slides.

- c. APPROVAL AND RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR RENAMING OF THE SIXTH STREET PLAZA AS THE SAM MATTHEWS PLAZA, AND AN ALLOCATION OF \$1,500 FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE DESIGN, FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF A BRASS PLAQUE MEASURING NO GREATER THAN 8"X10" – André Pichly provided the staff report.

Commission Jimenez asked if staff reached out to the community to request nominations. Mr. Pichly indicated it was a single nomination, but that he had received phone calls from members of the public in full support of the nomination.

Commissioner Gouveia stated he concurred with the nomination.

Motion: Gouveia
Second: Birk
Opposed: None
Vote: Approved by unanimous vote

- d. REVIEW AND APPROVE SUPPORT OF STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 RECREATION PROGRAM AND FACILITY USE FEE SCHEDULE – Christine Mabry provided the staff report and a presentation outlining new items, increases, and other changes.

Jolene Jauregui added that the recreation changes included new classes, corrections, or increases within the 20% range due to negotiations with contractors.

Vice Chair Levoit invited members of the public to comment.

Robert Tanner stated he was surprised no fee was proposed for use of the kitchen, and recommended \$25-\$50.

The Commission discussed late check out fees, fundraisers, the lack of supplies to clean the facility, the stability of the carts for the tables and chairs, the need for instructions in English and Spanish regarding stacking of the tables and chairs.

Christine Mabry thanked the Commission for their feedback.

Commissioner Gouveia complimented Christine Mabry and staff for their efforts.

Motion: Gouveia
Second: Jimenez
Opposed: None
Vote: Approved by unanimous vote

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- a. Parks & Recreation Director's Report – André Pichly
- André announced that the department had their second retreat which included discussions on core values, mission, a personality assessment, and team building

- games. André added he believed staff was energized and excited about the coming year.
- Legacy Fields Phase 1C was approved by City Council; there is an approved PSA with Verde Design for design concepts and construction documents which will include completion of Phase 1C, restrooms, snack bars, fencing, ADA hardscaping and bleachers.
 - Phase 1D at Legacy includes completion of all the fields; currently in an ENRA with Cal North regarding Phase II.
 - South County Park – A meeting was cancelled due to the birth of Don Scholl's grandchild.
 - McDonald Splash Pad - PSA was awarded; staff meeting next week to begin the design.
- b. Recreation Division Report – Report was included as part of the agenda packet. Jolene added that the new activity guide was published and referred the Commission to page 28 and all the events scheduled for Older Americans Month. Jolene invited the Commissioners to the open house on May 3 and the community conversations on May 10.
- c. Community Facilities Division Report – Report was included as part of the agenda packet. Christine added she is happy with the relationships that have been developed with the leagues at Legacy Fields, including Tracy Babe Ruth and Tracy Little League.
- d. Public Works Parks Maintenance Division Report – Martin Morozowsky provided the following update:
- Stumps from winter storms have been removed from parks.
 - Post applications of a broadleaf herbicide for weed control in the turf and non-selective herbicide tree wells have been applied.
 - Parks crew busy mowing and maintaining parks, this includes painting and cleaning bathrooms and repairing vandalism.
 - Legacy Fields, Plasencia Fields, and The Sports complex have been fertilized; finishing growing in existing soccer fields next month; planning on growing in the remaining two soccer fields, scheduling weed control; bleachers are being measured and ordered.
 - North diamond at the Tracy Ball Park is almost complete.
 - Volunteers are helping to help clean up parks through "I Love Tracy Day", TrashTalkers.Org, various Youth Groups.
 - Foxtails scheduled to be sprayed in dog parks.
 - Community clean-up at the new animal shelter as part of the "I Love Tracy Day."
 - Tracy Police Department and the Transit Station has new landscape material to be installed within the month.
 - Downtown - all the metal street stakes have been removed.
 - Working on finalizing Cal-Fire Grant to help create an Urban Forrest Management Plan for the City.
 - Current park renovations include Sullivan, Huck, Bailor, Hennan, and Rippin.
 - Continuing upgrading LMD and GF irrigation controllers

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:


- Commissioner Gouveia stated it was good to be back and thanked staff for their tremendous job.
- Commissioner Johnson added she was glad to have Commissioner Gouveia back. Johnson invited the Commissions to support the film festival this Saturday. Johnson indicated she had a VIP pass for those that could attend.
- Commissioner Birk reminded everyone to turn in their Form 700's.
- Commissioner Jimenez complimented the department on such a beautiful, colorful activity guide. Jimenez stated she appreciates the way that staff listens to items brought forward by Commissioners and the public, and how they take their jobs seriously.
- Commissioner Saltzman added that she was giving a tour of Tracy to an out-of-town friend and they commented how attractive it was down Eleventh Street.
- Vice Chair Levoit stated he was excited about the "Go Request" application adding he has used it. Vice Chair Levoit added that he would like to have a flag or flag stand available on the mobile stage.
- Vice Chair Levoit thanked staff for allowing Commissioners to attend the CPRS Convention. Vice Chair Levoit stated he would like to see a Commissioners luncheon or dinner. Jolene Jauregui reminded the Commissioners of the Volunteer Appreciation Event coming up.
- Commissioner Jimenez invited everyone to the Community Center Easter morning where the Latin Athletic Club will be holding their 42nd Annual breakfast.

André Pichly asked if the Commission would be amenable to receiving a memorandum regarding cameras in the park and snack bars versus a full report. The Commissioners were in favor of receiving a memo.

9. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Motion: Johnson
- b. Second: Saltzman
- c. Vote: Unanimous
- d. Time: 9:24 p.m.


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Staff Liaison

