

**PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2017**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Chair Levoit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL**
 - a. Present: Chair Levoit, Vice Chair Johnson, Commissioners Birk, Douglas, Jimenez, Saltzman
 - b. Absent: Commissioner Gouveia
 - c. Staff Present: Ed Lovell, Management Analyst II; Craig Bronzan, Special Advisor
 - d. Recorded By: Laura Borjon, Executive Assistant

3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

- Commissioner Jimenez welcomed Councilmember Dement to the meeting.

4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF September 7, 2017**

Commissioner Saltzman requested change to meeting minutes. Commissioner Birk motioned approval of meeting minutes with amendment. Commissioner Jimenez seconded the vote. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF October 5, 2017

Commissioner Jimenez requested change to meeting minutes in comments made for Council Goals. Recording secretary Laura Borjon noted minor changes in attendance and items from the audience. Commissioner Jimenez motioned approval of meeting minutes with amendment. Commissioner Birk seconded the vote. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

5. **OLD BUSINESS – REPORTS FROM COMMISSION**

- a. Provide update on Commission Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Year 2017-18

Ed Lovell provided updated report. Mr. Lovell polled the commissioners to verify sufficient attendance for a quorum at the Special Meeting at the Senior Center on Wednesday, November 8, 2017. Mr. Lovell requested commissioners who had been absent at prior meetings to contact Laura Borjon to sign up for any volunteer opportunities.

Commissioner Jimenez requested that staff correct the name of the Tracy Friends for Parks, Recreation & Community Services Foundation on the staff report to Council.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Review and Approve a Recommendation to City Council Regarding the Dog Park and Related Amenities/Furnishings Included in the Proposed Ellis Specific Plan Amendment

Craig Bronzan provided staff report to the Commission. Chris Long and David Gates of Surland Companies provided slide show of the Dog Park and related amenities and furnishings included in the proposed Ellis Specific Plan Amendment. Mr. Long requested Commission to approve the proposed name "Ellis Dog Park".

Commission comments and questions followed. Commissioner Johnson suggested the name "The Pet Park".

Robert Tanner suggested installing more than one water feature at the park.

Motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman to approve the report. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

b. Review and Provide Input on the Annual Commission Report to City Council

Ed Lovell provided the staff report.

Commissioner Jimenez requested that staff correct the name of the Tracy Friends for Parks, Recreation & Community Services (TFFPRCS) Foundation, add the scholarship funding provided by the Foundation for the Joe Wilson Pool Aquatics Program participants, and the Foundation's role in construction of the small dog park.

Commissioner Johnson requested that staff add that the Commission has been advocating for the installation of cameras at Tracy parks. Commissioner Jimenez also requested the addition of the Commission's role in the enforcement of various park policies.

Motion was made by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Birk to approve the amended report. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- a. Parks & Recreation Director's Report – A written report was provided.
- b. Recreation Division Report – A written report was provided.
- c. Community Facilities Division Report – A written report was provided.
- d. Public Works Parks Maintenance Division Report – A written report was provided.

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Jimenez stated that the TFFPRCS Foundation has been successful in their fundraising efforts. The Foundation requests for staff to increase marketing for the Joe Wilson Scholarship and welcomes suggestions from the Commission and staff on how to spend the funds.
- Commissioner Birk stated that he was approached by an acquaintance regarding plans for the new Senior Center that he was unaware of. Craig Bronzan stated that a conceptual design was presented to Council at a special meeting on October 31, 2017.
- Chair Levoit reflected on the various community events that took place in September and October.

9. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- Cynthia Gustafson, representing Commission on Aging for San Joaquin County and the Tracy Senior Association, urged the Commission to inform themselves regarding the need for the Multi-Generation Center.
- Robert Tanner recommended increased enforcement at the Downtown Plaza to address homeless activity.

10. ADJOURNMENT - Time: 8:10 p.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Birk to adjourn. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

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Staff Liaison