

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 2, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers, 333 Civic Center Plaza

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Levoit, Vice Chair Jimenez, Commissioners Miller, Magaña, Eder, Lieberg, and Gouveia

Absent: None

Staff Present: Brian MacDonald, Parks & Recreation Director; Richard Joaquin, Parks Planning & Development Manager, Christine Mabry, Management Analyst I, Thien Nguyen, Recreation Services Supervisor, Vanessa Carrera, Public Information Officer, Shelley Burcham, Economic Development Manager, Todd Rocha, Superintendent of Parks, Sports Fields and Urban Forestry

Recorded By: Laura Borjon, Executive Assistant

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Audience member, Dan Schack, 1025 Central Ave, led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 7, 2018

ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Chair Jimenez and seconded by Commissioner Gouveia to approve the minutes from regular meeting on June 7, 2018. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update on Parks and Community Services Commission Goals for 2017-18

Vice Chair Jimenez reported she attended the first Block Party which was successful. She also heard the second Block Party was also successful.

Commissioner Eder announced that she attended the July 17 Tracy Senior Association meeting and shared some of the concerns they discussed during the meeting. Commissioner Eder was asked to inquire about the possibility of having the Fourth of July event at a larger park.

Commissioner Gouveia stated he will begin attending the Farmer's Markets once a city booth is established. Commissioner Gouveia described his participation as a role as the School District representative.

Chair Levoit stated he has been working with various organizations to address homelessness in parks.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Elect Parks and Community Services Commission Chair and Vice Chair for Fiscal Year 2018-19

Brian MacDonald, Parks & Recreation Director provided report. Commission comments and questions followed.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Eder and seconded by Commissioner Gouveia to reelect Chair Levoit as Chairperson and Vice Chair Jimenez as Vice Chairperson of the Parks and Community Services Commission for Fiscal Year 2018-19. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

- b. Review and Discuss Recommendations to the City Council for Renaming of Tracy Ball Park

Brian MacDonald, Parks & Recreation Director provided the report and introduced Dan Schack, representing Tracy Friends for Parks Recreation and Community Services Foundation to present their request. Paul Ritter spoke on behalf of his family regarding the renaming of the Tracy Ball Park. Commission comments and questions followed. Commissioner Miller recommended changing the request to Pete Ritter Ball Park. Vice Chair Jimenez asked if there were any restrictions on the use of the property when the land was donated. Mr. Ritter stated the agreement

ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Chair Jimenez and seconded by Commissioner Eder to approve a recommendation to the City Council for the renaming of Tracy Ball Park to Ritter Family Ball Park and to erect an appropriate sign. Roll call vote found Chair Levoit, Vice Chair Jimenez, and Commissioners Magaña, Eder, Lieberg and Gouveia in favor; Commissioner Miller opposed; passed and so ordered.

- c. Appoint Parks Commissioner to Serve on Mayor's Community Youth Support Network (MCYSN), Reconnecting Our Youth (ROY) Grant Scoring Committee for Fiscal Year 2018-19

Vanessa Carrera, Public Information Officer provided the report. Commission comments and questions followed. Commissioner Magaña expressed her interest in serving on the committee. Commissioner Gouveia expressed his interest in serving on the committee as well. Vice Chair Jimenez suggested Commissioner Gouveia serve as alternate committee member. Audience member, Alice English thanked staff for making the process transparent and Commissioner Magaña for volunteering to serve on the committee. Ms. English asked staff why the Parks Commission was participating in the MCYSN Grant process, stating her concern with avoiding conflicts of interest. Vanessa Carrera stated it was an effort to get a balanced representation on the committee with organizations that have a nexus to youth.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Eder and seconded by Commissioner Miller to appoint Commissioner Magaña to serve on the Mayor's Community

Youth Support Network (MCYSN), Reconnecting Our Youth (ROY) Grant Scoring Committee for Fiscal Year 2018-19 and for Commissioner Gouveia to serve as alternate. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

- d. Update from Commissioner Miller on CDBG Grant Process Discussion with Economic Development

Brian MacDonald, Parks and Recreation Director introduced the item. Commissioner Miller provided his report. Shelley Burcham, Economic Development Manager discussed the current CDBG Grant process and suggested selecting a subcommittee in December to allow the subcommittee to be more involved in the process. Commission questions and comments followed. Ms. Burcham noted Commission's questions and concerns and stated she would take them to their consultant, who is working with the CDBG Grant, and will submit a memo with the outcome of the discussion to the Commission through Mr. MacDonald.

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- a. Receive Report from Parks Director
 - i. Legacy Fields
 - ii. Multi-Generational Recreation Center
 - iii. Aquatics Center

Brian MacDonald, Parks & Recreation Director formally introduced the newest Recreation Services Supervisor, Thien Nguyen. Richard Joaquin, Parks Planning & Development Manager provided a verbal report on Legacy Fields. Commission comments and questions followed.

- b. Receive Community Facilities Report
Thien Nguyen, Recreation Services Supervisor and Christine Mabry, Management Analyst I provided a verbal report and PowerPoint presentation. Commission comments and questions followed. Commissioner Gouveia requested Ultimate Frisbee Tournament participation information. Ms. Mabry stated she would provide the information to the Commission via email.
- c. Receive Public Works Parks Maintenance Division Report
Todd Rocha, Superintendent of Parks, Sports Fields and Urban Forestry provided a verbal report. Commission comments and questions followed. Commissioner Eder asked for the status of the sidewalk on the north side of Dr. Powers Park. Mr. MacDonald stated they would return with a status report at a later date.

9. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Magaña asked for statistics on enrollment for Summer recreation programs. Mr. MacDonald stated that information is normally presented to the Commission as part of the Items from Staff on a rotating basis. She also asked

- about the requirements for adding artwork at city facilities. Mr. MacDonald stated he would get her in contact with William Wilson, who can get her the information.
- Commissioner Miller discussed his participation as Parks Commission representative on the Youth Advisory Commission interviews. He also announced that he would not be attending the September Parks Commission Meeting.
 - Commissioner Eder stated that she has been receiving several messages on her Facebook asking about the closing of the Joe Wilson Pool. Mr. Nguyen clarified the pool hour changes that would be taking place beginning August 7th.
 - Vice Chair Jimenez requested to the Chair adding an agenda item to discuss the proposed South County Regional Park. Mr. MacDonald stated he would be presenting an item to the Council, which would include an update on the South County Regional Park. Commissioner Miller requested deferral of the item until October to allow him to participate in the discussion. Mr. MacDonald stated he would include it in the October Parks Commission Meeting.
 - Chair Levoit discussed the following:
 - Installation of sidewalks and a walking/running path at Dr. Powers Park
 - Parking issues at the 4th of July event held at Lincoln Park
 - T-shirts for the Commission
 - Concern for the cleanliness of El Pescadero Park
 - Facebook pages for skate park interests & Frisbee Golf

10. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

11. ADJOURNMENT - Time: 9:54 p.m.

ACTION: Motion was made by Chair Levoit and seconded by Vice Chair Jimenez to adjourn. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at Tracy City Hall on July 27, 2018. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the Parks and Recreation Department.



Brian MacDonald, Staff Liaison