

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54956 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Special Meeting of the **PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

Date/Time: **Wednesday, June 19th, 2019, 5:00 p.m.**
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

*******NOTE LOCATION CHANGE*******

Location: **City Hall – Room 203**
333 Civic Center Plaza
Tracy, CA 95376

Government Code Section 54954.3 states that every public meeting shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Parks and Community Services Commission on any item, before or during consideration of the item, however no action shall be taken on any item not on the agenda.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. *Items from the Audience - In accordance with Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings, adopted by Resolution 2015-052, any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting, shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a Commission Member to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting.*
5. Review, Provide Input and Make a Recommendation to City Council for the Proposal to Install a Plaque in Honor of the Late Frank A. Garcia in the Splash Pad Landscaping of McDonald Park
6. Items from the Commission
7. Items from the Audience
8. Adjournment to next Regular Meeting: August 1, 2019

Posted: June 14, 2019

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Any materials distributed to the majority of the Parks and Community Services Commission regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the Parks & Recreation Department located at 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, during normal business hours.

CITY OF TRACY
PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
June 19, 2019

REQUEST

**REVIEW, PROVIDE INPUT AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL
FOR THE PROPOSAL TO INSTALL A PLAQUE IN HONOR OF THE LATE FRANK A.
GARCIA IN THE SPLASH PAD LANDSCAPING OF MCDONALD PARK**

DISCUSSION

Family and friends of the late Frank A. Garcia have submitted an application to the Parks and Recreation Department to install a plaque honoring Mr. Frank A. Garcia's legacy. Mr. Garcia was born in Tracy, CA and was a longtime volunteer for the community providing his service and time as a youth leader for St. Bernard's Youth Group, homeless advocate, President of the Southside Community Organization, and being involved in many other volunteer efforts within the City. In 2014, Mr. Garcia was recognized for his efforts, receiving the Community Leadership Award from the Tracy Hispanic Business Group. Many have come to support this request, including Mr. Raymond Morelos, President of the South Side Community Organization, who submitted the plaque application on Mr. Garcia's behalf.

The Parks and Recreation Department met with Mr. Morelos to discuss the design and specifications of the plaque, which is incorporated into the current proposal. The South Side Community Organization is fundraising for the purchase of the plaque and is requesting the City to install the fixture. The South Side Community Organization agrees to maintain and replace the plaque in the event it is vandalized, stolen, or damaged. Finally, the proposal meets all of the City's guidelines.

Staff is requesting the Commission review and forward this request to the City Council for final authorization.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Parks and Community Services Commission review, provide input, and make a recommendation to City Council on the proposal to install a plaque in honor of the late Frank A. Garcia in the Splash Pad Landscaping of McDonald Park.

Prepared by: Thien Nguyen, Recreation Services Supervisor

Approved by: Brian MacDonald, Director of Parks and Recreation

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Draft of Frank A. Garcia and Sample Bronze Plaque

Frank A. Garcia Plaque Draft

FRANK ARTHUR GARCIA

JANUARY 18, 1957 – DECEMBER 21, 2016

A MAN OF HONESTY, DIGNITY, INTEGRITY AND STRONG FAITH LIFE'S EXPERIENCES TAUGHT HIM NOT TO BE JUDGMENTAL. RETURNING TO HIS ROOTS, HE DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO FAMILY, FRIENDS. AND HIS BELOVED COMMUNITY. HE FOUND HIS PURPOSE IN LIFE BY HELPING OTHERS AND BECOMING ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. HE WANTED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND HE DID.

Sample of Bronze Plaque

