

**PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Lieberg called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

- a. Present: Chair Miller, Vice Chair Lieberg, and Commissioners Costa, Jimenez, Krogh, Magana, Singh
- b. Absent: None
- c. Staff Present: Brian MacDonald, Parks & Recreation Director; Richard Joaquin, Parks Planning and Development Manager, Jolene Jauregui, Recreation Services Supervisor, and Thien Nguyen, Recreation Services Supervisor
- d. Recorded By: Andrea Pedigo, Executive Assistant

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Chair Lieberg

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

No items from the audience via Webex, phone, or email.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM

- a. Review and Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 5, 2020

ACTION: A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes for March 5, 2020 by Commissioner Costa and seconded by Commissioner Jimenez. Roll call found Vice Chair Lieberg, Commissioners Magana, Krogh, Costa, and Jimenez all in favor. Chair Miller and Commissioner Singh abstained. Passed and so ordered.

- b. Review and Approve the Special Meeting Minutes from May 28, 2020

ACTION: A motion was made to approve the special meeting minutes for the May 28, 2020 by Commissioner Costa and seconded by Commissioner Magana. Roll call found Chair Miller, Vice Chair Lieberg, Commissioners Krogh, Costa, Jimenez, and Magana all in favor. Commissioner Singh abstained. Passed and so ordered.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Review and Approve changes to the 2021 City of Tracy Sports Field Handbook

Thien Nguyen, Recreation Services Supervisor presented the staff report.

Commission comments and questions followed.

Thien Nguyen answered the commission's questions.

No public comments via email, Webex, or phone.

ACTION: A motion to accept and approve the 2021 City of Tracy Sports Field Handbook with the comments to staff by commission added by Chair Miller and seconded by Commissioner Singh. Roll call found Chair Miller, Vice Chair Lieberg, and Commissioners Costa, Krogh, Jimenez, Magana, and Singh all in favor

b. Elect Parks and Community Services Commission Chair and Vice Chair

Commission Krogh stated he would serve in any roll.

Commissioner Costa nominated Vice Chair Lieberg as Chair for 2021

Commissioner Magana nominated Vice Chair Lieberg as Chair for 2021

Chair Miller commented that it would be useful to advance people in the Chair and Vice Chair so they have the opportunity to learn and manage the meetings prior to serving as Chair without any training. He would like to see a rotation happen so all get a chance to serve in these roles. Chair Miller nominated Vice Chair Lieberg as Chair for 2021 and Commissioner Magana as Vice Chair for 2020-2021.

Commissioner Jimenez thanked Chair Miller for his comments and his service as Chair for the 2019-2020 year. Commissioner Jimenez is not in favor of a co-chair, but is in favor of a rotation. Commissioner Jimenez nominated Vice Chair Lieberg as Chair for 2020-2021.

Commissioner Singh nominated Vice Chair Lieberg as Chair for 2020-2021 and Commissioner Magana as Vice Chair for 2020-2021. Commissioner Singh agrees with Chair Miller with the step up process as the Vice Chair moves into Chair and a new Vice Chair is nominated.

Comments from Director MacDonald regarding public comments. He suggested the commissioner reopen item 6.a. and wait for 2 minutes so the public has time to respond.

Vice Chair Lieberg agrees with the rotation of Chair and Vice Chair. Vice Chair Lieberg supports his nomination of serving as Chair and nominates Commissioner Magana as Vice Chair.

ACTION: A motion was made to nominate Vice Chair Lieberg for Chair for 2020-2021 and Commissioner Magana as Vice Chair for 2020-2021 by Chair Miller and seconded by Commissioner Singh and Commissioner Costa. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

Vice Chair Lieberg reopened item 6.a - Review and Approve changes to the 2021 City of Tracy Sports Field Handbook public comment.

No public comment via email, Webex or phone after the 2 minute waiting period.

7. PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

Brian MacDonald, Parks and Recreation Director presented the directors report.

Commission questions and comments followed.

Brian MacDonald, Director of Parks and Recreation and Richard Joaquin, Parks Planning and Developed Manager answered the questions of the Commission

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Costa reported that TUSD will begin distance learning on August 11, 2020 with all teachers in their classrooms. TUSD ordered approximately 8,000 computers for the students. There are enough computers at this time for all high school and junior high school students. They are awaiting the computers for the K-5 grade level students. There is an MOU in place with the Teachers Association that includes all teachers will be coming back to their classrooms to teach.

Commissioner Magana reported that she had sent Director MacDonald an email and information from New Metal Farms. The owner is interested in working with the City of Tracy that relates to recreation activities for the community. She is also interested in doing in person classes once the City is able to open up.

Commissioner Jimenez asked Commissioner Costa a question regarding sports. Commissioner Costa responded to Commissioner Jimenez's question.

Vice Chair Lieberg explained the direction from the CIF regarding sports.

Commissioner Jimenez had a question regarding the agenda item request that was asked and seconded by Commissioner Magana pertaining to disc golf at the March 5th 2020 meeting. She would like for staff to look at adding this to the next agenda.

Commissioner Jimenez reported the Parks Foundation has not met so there is no report. They are looking at starting these meeting virtually and she will bring an update at that time once she attends a meeting.

Commissioner Jimenez reported that the Mickie Grove Zoological society has an education department at Mickie Grove Zoo. The zoo is closed but the education staff who provides education elementary school students are offering online classes and programs virtually.

Vice Chair Lieberg commented that the farmers market was moved to Central and it was nice to see people. Shout out to the City of Tracy and the Parks Department for the renovation of Larsen Park.

9. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No public comments via Webex or email with two public comments via phone.

Mary Mitracos, City of Tracy residence had comments on the director's report regarding disc golf as it relates to the Nature Park. Ms. Mitracos thanked Commissioner Jimenez for her comment in recommending bringing back the discussion of disc golf as she remembers in the past that there was discussion of possibly incorporating disc golf our at Gretchen Tally or Veteran's Park. Ms. Mitracos stated that she is fully aware that the City of Tracy entered into an agreement with the Federal Government regarding Park Land stretching over 20 years to be developed. Ms. Mitracos feels that with the 86 acres of Nature Park and the 100+ additional acres available, this would be a possibility to have disc golf incorporated with the Nature Park at the north end of Legacy Fields.

Ms. Mitracos thanked Director MacDonald for his thorough report on all the Park projects and it was nice for her to hear the updates.

Ms. Mitracos ended with encouraging all Commissioners to attend the 9/1 Council Meeting regarding the Measure V discussion. She feels that it is really hard to always do public comments as she feels that City Council is not getting nearly the amount of public comments as they should. Ms. Mitracos thanked the staff for all they do.

Alice English, City of Tracy resident thanked the Commission for their time and doing their homework prior to the meeting as all her questions were answered during their discussion with staff. Ms. English asked Director MacDonald for clarification on the Legacy Fields Phase 1D project and wanted to know what that project entailed.

Director MacDonald answered her question.

Ms. English stated she encourages commission to attend the 8/18 Measure V Special Meeting at 5:30pm where they will be discussing the budget. She pointed out that the parking lot area at the soccer fields out at legacy fields really needs to be completed as it gets really muddy during the winter season. She also stated that we need to put a restroom out at the baseball fields. Ms. English strongly feels that this needs to be done prior to the start of the Aquatics center as it is shovel ready. She would appreciate all the support from the Commission.

Ms. English is happy to hear that there is \$170,000.00 in the operating budget for the security cameras in the parks. She thanked that staff for all their work and she appreciates it.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Time: 8:32pm

ACTION: Commissioner Magana motioned to adjourn the meeting at the said time of 8:32pm and seconded by Commissioner Jimenez. All in favor; passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at Tracy City Hall on July 30, 2020. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the Parks and Recreation Department.



Brian MacDonald, Staff Liaison