

South Gate Parks & Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2013

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Hicklin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE - by Secretary Cypert

ROLL CALL - by Ana Medina, Sr. Secretary;

Present: Chair Hicklin, Vice Chair Nixon, Secretary Cypert, and Commissioner Morales

Absent: Commissioners Tony Monroy had an unexcused absence

Staff: Director Paul Adams, Parks Supt. Glenn Massey, Recreation Supt. Costley

REPORT ON POSTING - by Ana Medina, Sr. Secretary

Director Adams requested Item #9 moved up to Item #7

APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGE OF ITEMS- M/S/C: Secretary Cypert/Commissioner Morales

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - May 9, 2013; M/S/C: Vice Chair Nixon/Commissioner Morales

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Recommended Motion: Receive and File; M/S/C: Vice Chair Cypert/Vice Chair Nixon

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Recognized: Cyndi Esquivel, South Gate Resident; the basketball program the JAA took over for the City 2 years ago started with four teams and two divisions, this year there are two divisions with five teams, two divisions with eight teams and a waiting list of 65 kids. Parents have said they will coach if we take their kid, but court space is limited. We hope that winter will be the same. The Commissioners are invited to the first game on Wednesday; the little kids play Thursday and Saturday, the older ones play Monday and Wednesday.

6. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

OPEN SESSION ITEMS

Item #9 taken out of order at the request of Director Adams

9. GOALS SOCCER CENTER EXTENDED HOURS UPDATE

Recommended Motion: That Staff review the existing permit allowing extended hours of operation; M/S/C: Vice Chair Nixon/Secretary Cypert. Director Adams reviewed this item and introduced Nathan Woodridge, GOALS Director of Operations; a discussion ensued.

7. ANNUAL REVIEW OF HSA REPORT

Recommended Motion : Receive and file; M/S/C: Vice Chair Nixon/Commissioner Morales
Director Adams reviewed this item; a discussion ensued.

8. REVIEW OF FOURTH OF JULY ACTIVITIES

Recommended Motion : Receive and file; M/S/C: Secretary Cypert/Vice Chair Nixon
Director Adams reviewed this item; Commissioner Morales liked the event, first time attending, thought it was well organized. Secretary Cypert asked about the attendance and how did the carnival do, Director Adams

replied attendance was between 20,000 to 25,000; the carnival did not fare well, they had good attendance on the Fourth, but not the other three days; a discussion ensued.

Recognized: Cyndi Esquivel, South Gate Resident; was impressed that the park looked to be about 80% clean on July 5.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT / CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Director Adams: The submission period has been closed on the Master Plan survey and has started processing the information; sent Commissioners an email showing that we are doing better on cleanliness and safety; received 150 responses, which are more than we received in 2007 and a good sample of our community. Once all the data is compiled, a preliminary report with a proposed agenda for the workshop.

Parks Supt. Massey: Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. there will be a native plant planting project at Hollydale Regional Park, as part of the ongoing improvements.

Recreation Supt. Costley: The informal bids for the designs on the shade structures for the small quad are in; managed to stage within the \$80,000 budget; the construction bid packet will go out soon; there will be shade on all the dugouts and most of the bleachers.

Recognized: Cyndi Esquivel, South Gate Resident; asked if the bleachers could be put back at diamonds 9 and 10 which were removed by park patrons, Recreation Supt. Costley replied he would inform staff. Bids requests will soon go out for the Dog Park. Also, went out to bid on the Auditorium project. The new Eastside GATE route started July 1. Vice Chair Nixon asked if there are bus stop signs, Recreation Supt. Costley replied that the signs are up and are blue in color.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary Cypert: Asked if there was money to repair the torn felt on the pool table, Recreation Supt. Costley stated that staff is looking for a vendor

Vice Chair Nixon: Asked when the restroom at Circle Park will open; Director Adams replied in about 2-3 weeks. Would like to bring the Downey Senior Follies Show to the Auditorium with the proceeds going to the Friends of SG Parks, a discussion ensued. Director Adams stated to check with staff for availability.

Chair Hicklin: Was enjoying the carnival and Fourth of July festivities but then received a call that his son's home had caught fire due to illegal fireworks. Something needs to be done about these illegal fireworks; Council needs the cooperation of all of the agencies of neighboring communities. Asked if funding was received for the Jacuzzi, Director Adams stated he saw it in the morning and everything was in, Recreation Supt. Costley replied that the hand rails are missing as are the VGB grates. There are issues with the grates because the Federal government has changed the spec on the grates, so the manufacturer is three weeks behind; a discussion ensued. Chair Hicklin asked what is being done about the people walking in the streets around the park. Director Adams there are paths and signs but people still walk in the street. A discussion ensued.

REQUEST FOR ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS - None

ADJOURNMENT - At 8:00 p.m.; Chair Hicklin called for a motion to adjourn; M/S/C: Secretary Cypert/Vice Chair Nixon to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:

Jenny Cypert, Secretary
Parks & Recreation Commission
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