

MINUTES
PLACENTIA PARKS, ARTS, AND RECREATION
COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
February 13, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Tricia Montelongo, Lilia Queen, Maverick Shuck

Absent: Brett Hunt

Staff Present: Deputy Director of Community Services - Veronica Ortiz, Director of Community Services Karen Crocker

Guests: Council Member Ward Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Deputy Director Ortiz

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS –

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS –

Chair Montelongo informed the Commission that she has been asked by the community living near Palm Ave by Parque del Arroyo Verde to add a crosswalk. She would like to follow up with Public Works Transportation Manager Kyra Tao.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the November 14th meeting were **MOTIONED** for approval by Commissioner Shuck. Commissioner Queen **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried.

2. MONTHLY REPORT -

a. CIP Projects update – Current year and Forthcoming –

Deputy Director Ortiz updated the Commission regarding the CIP project progress. She informed the Commission that due to the recent rain, there have been delays in construction at Koch Park. The rain may potentially push back the ribbon cutting ceremony for Arroyo Verde to early March which will be followed by Koch. The Tuffree Park construction is nearing completion but is still waiting for one playground piece to arrive. La Placita Parkette has begun construction, but is delayed due to the weather, Deputy Director Ortiz informed the Commission that all the playground equipment has arrived. The Board discussed the option of having the Jaycee Parkette theme revolve around a water theme.

b. Mid-year Budget –

Deputy Director Ortiz presented the mid-year budget update to the Commission. She stated that the budget will be presented to the council on February 20th, 2024. She notified them of an update to the budget that will correct an error to reflect the amount of funds for park maintenance. The funds were transferred from Public Works when Community Services took over the responsibility.

3. Commissioner Comments and Requests

No comments at this time.

4. Staff Comments

Deputy Director Ortiz informed the Commission that if the proposed Senior/Community Center at Tri-City Park is to have 225 parking spaces then the County would like the city to take ownership of the park. The yearly park maintenance and operation could cost an estimated \$630,000. She informed the Commission that the City Council would have to review and decide on a course of action while negotiating with the County officials.

Deputy Director Ortiz informed the Commission that she will follow up with City Clerk Carole Wayman, regarding the status of recruitment for the open vacancy. She also updated the Commission regarding the proposed Dog Park, and that the City has contracted RHA landscape and design to design an initial concept. Some potential locations for the Dog Park are Kraemer Park, Los Vaqueros Park, Los Ninos Park, and Samp Park.

5. Agenda Building and Meeting Schedule

Keep same items and add Concert in the Park, Park signs update, Champions flooding update and update to PARC commission vacancy.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Montelongo **MOTIONED** to adjourn to the next regular meeting, on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting will be held in-person. The motion was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Queen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned on February 13, 2024, at 7:49 p.m.



Veronica Ortiz
Deputy Director of Community Services