

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
November 17, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Weinstock called the meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Kato, Siebert, Vaca, Weinstock, Wilson-Thomas
Excused: Gomez , Pearson
Also Present: Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services
Dale Kurata, Parks and Recreation Manager
Michelle Van Sickle, Senior Community Services Coordinator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Weinstock.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Meeting of October 20, 2016.
*** *M/S/P* – Commissioners Kato/Vaca – Motion to approve minutes as presented.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
3. **DIRECTOR'S/STAFF REPORT:**

Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services, announced Council's approval of the Community Services Coordinator position for the Aquatics Division. This position will also assist at the gymnasium as well as special events. Ms. Riley also reported on the success of Youth in Government Day held on November 9, 2016. Staff did a phenomenal job with their presentations.

Additionally, Ms. Riley announced the Christmas Tree Lighting Event on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. This year's event will be hosted by our Fine Arts Division with performances scheduled to include the Buena Park High School band and chorus and a special Winter Follies show as well. All are encouraged to attend.

Dale Kurata, Parks and Recreation Manager, announced the Winter schedule water restrictions for November through March allow watering one time a week. Mr. Kurata also announced Smith Murphy Park is undergoing turf renovation.

Additionally, Mr. Kurata announced the installation of drip irrigation in the center median along Beach Blvd. from Stanton Avenue to Crescent Avenue.

Michelle Van Sickle, Senior Community Services Coordinator announced the end of the Soccer League season. A full report will be provided at a later meeting. Ms. Van Sickle also reported on the success of Halloween Parents-Night-Out. There were approximately 39 children in attendance. Currently, staff is preparing for Candy Caneland.

4. **CITY UPDATES:** Ms. Riley announced the completed demolition of the former Movieland Wax Museum site. The Butterfly Pavillion is currently in plan check. Ms. Riley also announced the opening of Porto's Restaurant is set for January 2017. Additionally, the Entertainment Zone is taking on a new image with the newly installed monument signs.

5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. Youth Sports Scholarship Update – Nothing to report
- b. 2016 Park & Recreation Commission Holiday Reception: Discussion – Ms. Riley announced the Cultural and Fine Arts Commission would like to combine the holiday reception with the Park & Recreation Commission. After discussion, the commission agreed to extend the invitation to include the Cultural and Fine Arts Commissioners. Chair Weinstock distributed the sign-up sheet which will also be circulated with the other commissioners.
- c. Park Projects Update– Mr. Kurata provided an update on the various projects currently underway:
 - Boisseranc Park playground under construction
 - Liberty Hall remodel at Ehlers Event Center going well
 - Larwin Park project kickoff meeting
 - Liberty Hall remodel

6. **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- a. News Releases, Department Flyers, Etc. – The recording secretary distributed the report on graffiti removal.

7. **COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

None.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Thursday, December 15, 2016 6:00 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Chair Weinstock called the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

ATTEST:


Mary Coles-Guzman, Recording Secretary


Mike Weinstock, Chair