



AGENDA – PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

January 19, 2017
7:00 p.m. - Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers
6650 Beach Boulevard
Buena Park, CA 90621

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL: Gomez, Kato, Pearson, Seibert, Vaca, Weinstock, Wilson-Thomas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** December 15, 2016
Commissioners Kato/Wilson-Thomas approved the minutes as presented.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Claudia Pena with Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva gave a brief introduction of herself.
3. **DIRECTOR'S / STAFF REPORT:** Dale Kurata, Park and Recreation Manager, provided a brief update on the impact the recent rain has had on the drought. Mr. Kurata also reported that staff is preparing for hiring of the full-time Community Services Coordinator position. Michelle Van Sickle, Senior Community Services Coordinator, reported the start of youth basketball as well as the preparation of Spring Eggstravaganza and the Track and Field meet. Veronica Ramirez, Senior Community Services Coordinator, reported on the Buena Park National Little League opening day is February 24, 2017 at Bellis Field. Ms. Ramirez announced the flyer for annual V.O.L.T. workshop for Teens will soon be distributed.
4. **CITY UPDATES:** Mr. Kurata announced the parking lot at the former Movieland Wax Museum site is completed. Additionally, Porto's is expected to open soon. There is a job fair that is taking place.
5. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**
 - a. Candy Caneland and Craft Fair Evaluation - report provided by Ms. Ramirez. There were a total of 2,800 in attendance with over 100 craft tables and 14 food and game booths. Overall, the feedback received has been positive.
 - b. Santa Letters and Santa Visits Evaluation - Ms. Van Sickle reported on the success of both programs.

- c. Youth Soccer Evaluation - Ms. Van Sickle reported on the success of the program that ran from August 13 - November 19, 2016.
 - d. Park Tour Discussion - Discussion for the Park Tour was tentatively set for Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. Further details will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - e. Youth Sports Scholarship Update - Ms. Van Sickle announced there are three pending applications for Youth Basketball.
 - f. Park Projects Update - Mr. Kurata announced the following project updates:
 - Veterans Hall at Ehlers Event Center is nearing completing
 - Drip irrigation at Valley View Ave. and the 91 freeway has started
 - Former City Hall Christmas tree has been relocated to Brenner Park
 - Approval of Larwin Park Phase I increased funding
 - Boisseranc Park playground installation completed
6. INFORMATION ITEMS:
- a. News Releases, Department Flyers, Etc. - Ms. Ramirez distributed the report on graffiti removal.
7. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Commissioner Weinstock requested to add the Memorial Grove discussion for next month's meeting.
8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 5:00 p.m.
 - b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Thursday, February 16, 2017 7:00 p.m.
9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Pearson called the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.