

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
May 17, 2018**

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

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Kato, Pearson, Seibert, Vaca, Wilson-Thomas
EXCUSED: Gomez, Weinstock
ALSO PRESENT: Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services
Dale Kurata, Park and Recreation Manager
Iris Lee, Assistant City Engineer
Veronica Ramirez, Senior Community Services Coordinator
Mary Coles-Guzman, Senior Administrative Assistant

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

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** April 19, 2018 - Regular Meeting
*** *M/S/P* - Commissioner Pearson/Seibert approved the minutes as presented.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

3. **DIRECTOR'S/STAFF REPORT:**

a. Brown Act Revision for Public Comments and Translations - Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services announced the recent amendment made to the Ralph M. Brown Act. This bill requires any legislative body to provide at least twice the allotted time to a member of the public who utilizes a translator to ensure that non-English speakers receive the same opportunity to directly address the legislative body, unless simultaneous translation equipment is used to allow the body to hear the translated public testimony simultaneously.

Dale Kurata, Park and Recreation Manager, announced that staff is currently preparing for the Aquatics and Summer Park programs. This year's Memorial Day event will be hosted by the Buena Park Rotary Club. All are encouraged to attend.

Veronica Ramirez, Senior Community Services Coordinator announced the start of Summer Sports Camp begins June 4, 2018. The gym continues to be busy, as well as with youth organized play classes.

4. **CITY UPDATES:** Ms. Riley distributed the current issue of Buena Park Today. She also announced the lineup for the Summer Concert Series starting on June 6 through July 18. The concert takes place every Wednesday for seven weeks at Boisseranc Park and continues at Buena Park Downtown for six weeks immediately following.

Ms. Riley also announced the re-dedication ceremony of Larwin Park will take place on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. All are encouraged to attend.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Youth Sports Scholarship Update - Mr. Kurata provided a handout on the current scholarship applications. To date, there are thirteen (13) pending applications. The remaining fund balance is \$3,243.00.
- b. Youth Basketball Evaluation - This item has been tabled to the June meeting.
- c. Track & Field Meet Evaluation - This item has been tabled to the June meeting.
- d. Proposed Monument Sign at Larwin Park - At the request of the Director, this item was moved to the first item of discussion. Iris Lee, Assistant City Engineer was present. She provided a brief presentation as well as the conceptual design of the monument sign. It will be a very low maintenance sign in case of damages or vandalism that may occur. Staff is seeking recommendations from the commission. After discussion, the consensus of the commission were all in favor of the conceptual design of the sign.
- e. Park Projects Update - Ms. Riley reported that the Kaboom playground equipment may be installed adjacent to the exercise equipment at Bellis Park. A phone conference with a representative from the commission is required. Staff is rescheduling the phone conference with Kaboom and will get back with the commission on the new date and time.

Additionally, Ms. Riley announced the potential joint-use agreement with Fullerton Joint Union High School District (FJUHSD) is still in negotiation for use of their theatre complex as well as their field for the annual track meet.

Brenner and Lindberg Parks playground renovation will be brought before Council's approval soon. Staff will notify the commission of the date. Phase 2 of the Edison right-of-way is also in the budget for Council's approval.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. News Releases, Department Flyers, Etc. - Scholarship Update and Attendance Sheet were distributed.

7. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Vice Chair Wilson-Thomas requested to add Parks Exercise Program to the June agenda.

8. ATTENDANCE SHEET: as distributed.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Next City Council Meeting, Tuesday, May 22, 2018 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Thursday, June 21, 2018 7:00 p.m.


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10. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Kato declared the meeting adjourned to the next regular meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



Mary Coles-Guzman, Recording Secretary



Gail Kato, Chair