

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
June 17, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Kato called the meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Deterding, Kato, Weinstock, Beger, Kim, Siebert, Hoque

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Box, Director of Community Services
Dale Kurata, Community Services Supervisor
Sylvia Gonzales, Senior Administrative Assistant
Michelle Van Sickle, Senior Community Services Coordinator
Randy Franklin, Community Services Coordinator
Jamie Owen, 7-Eleven Representative
Shanna Walker Husbands, 7-Eleven Representative
Nazareth Alvarez, 7-Eleven Representative

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Siebert.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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***** M/S/P – Commissioner Weinstock made a motion to approve and Commissioner Siebert seconds the motion to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion passed.**

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

3. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/STAFF REPORT/CITY UPDATE:

Jim Box reminded the Commissioners about the Park Tour on Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 8:00 am. This year we are combining the park tour to include the City Council as well as the Cultural and Fine Arts, and Senior Citizens Commissions. This past Friday, we had our In Service Training for our part time staff. We had over 100 staff attend. Post COVID-19, we are fully open. Construction has begun at Rick Gomez Park. We are anticipating the Grand Opening in the fall around November or December. The Prop 68 grant is coming along. The City Manager and I will be doing a site visit of Whitaker School Park in July. This is good news for this park. It would be a 3.1 million dollar grant we would receive to build this park.

Mr. Kurata updated the Commission that the Buena Park National Little League has started All-stars. There are two divisions and they will wrap up mid to late July. Following Little League, tackle football will begin practicing. The season will start in September. Buena Park Goes to College has been schedule for Saturday, October 9, 2021 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Buena Park Community Center. The Community Services Department just wrapped up a job fair this past week. We are still trying to hire a few more Community Services Leaders, and Lifeguards.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- a. 7-Eleven Presentation – Presented by 7-Eleven
- b. Get Your Mitts Presentation – Presented by Dale Kurata
This Presentation has been moved to the next Commission meeting.
- c. Discussion on Commissioner Meeting to go Dark in August – Presented by Dale Kurata
Commissioner Siebert made a motion to approve and Commissioner Deterding seconds the motion to approve going Dark in August. All in favor, motion passed.

AYES: 7 Commissioners: Beger, Hoque, Deterding, Kato, Siebert, Weinstock, Kim

NOES: 0 Commissioners:

ABSENT: 0 Commissioners:

ABSTAIN: 0 Commissioners:

- d. International Trees in City Parks – Presented by Dale Kurata
Commissioners were updated on the trees that the Sub Committee selected for this new program.
- e. Summer Preview – Presented by Michelle Van Sickle and Randy Franklin
Michelle and Randy reviewed the current summer programs taking place at the parks, pools, and the gymnasium.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. News Releases, Department Flyers, Etc.

- 6. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Commissioner Beger thanked the staff for all their hard work. Commissioner Deterding is happy to see everything opening back up and thanked staff as well. Vice Chair Hoque asked how the V.O.L.T program is going. Chair Kato asked how many V.O.L.T. members we currently have. Commissioner Kim thanked the staff for the wonderful job they are doing. Commissioner Siebert and Weinstock complimented staff also.

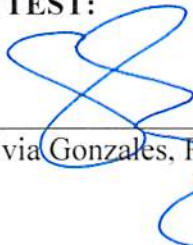
7. ATTENDANCE:

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.
- b. Park Tour: Saturday, June 26, 2021 departing the BPCC at 8:00 a.m.
- c. Next Regular Commission Meeting: July 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

- 9. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Chair Kato adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

ATTEST:



Sylvia Gonzales, Recording Secretary



Gail Kato, Chair