

CITY OF BUENA PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
March 19, 2015

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

ROLL CALL:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Michelle Van Sickle, Community Services Coordinator.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Meeting of February 19, 2015.
*** *M/S/P* – Commissioners Gomez/Wilson-Thomas – Motion to approve minutes as presented.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
3. **DIRECTOR'S/STAFF REPORT:** Margaret Riley, Director of Community Services, announced City Council approval to resurface the basketball courts at San Marino Park. The outdoor exercise equipment has been installed at Bellis and Peak Parks.

Michelle Van Sickle, Community Services Coordinator, announced that the Youth Basketball League is ending. The awards ceremony will take place on March 31 & April 2, 2015. Ms. Van Sickle also announced the start of Pnut Baseball season.

Veronica Ramirez, Community Services Coordinator, announced that the gym will be starting the Youth Sports classes as well as drop-in volleyball. Ms. Ramirez also announced the 4th Interview Workshop for Teens. This is a free workshop that is limited to forty participants.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Memorial Grove – Nothing new to report since the last reporting period. However, Mr. Kurata made mention that this is at the commission's discretion whether to continue discussing nominations or forego this year since there are no new nominations at this time. After discussion, the commission agreed to table this item for the next commission meeting in April. A current list of nominations will be brought to the next meeting.
- b. Youth Scholarship Update – Ms. Van Sickle announced that no new scholarships have been awarded however, there is one pending application for Pnut baseball. More applications will be coming in as we near the summer season.

- c. August Commission Meeting to Possibly Go Dark – Commissioner Gomez made a motion for the commission to go dark in the month of August. Commissioner Wilson-Thomas seconded. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried.
- d. Promotional Materials on External Websites – Chair Vaca announced that he has not spoken to Mr. Davis however, he would like to see other information such as announcements on this website. Mr. Kurata commented that Mr. Davis is currently in contact with our marketing department so that city programs are advertised on that website. This item will be tabled at a later date for further discussion.
- e. Lease with Buena Park School District (BPSD) for Gilbert School West Field – Mr. Kurata reported a possible joint use agreement with BPSD for the west field at Gilbert School. Possible uses of the field could include field rentals, soccer games, practice space for youth tackle football and rotating field usage at Bellis Park. Staff is seeking a recommendation from the commission. After discussion, the commission was in favor of the joint use agreement but does not recommend having permanent fencing on the baseball fields. All were in agreement to move forward to bring this discussion before City Council on April 14, 2015.
- f. Park Projects Update – Mr. Kurata provided a brief update on the various park projects currently underway:
 - Boisseranc Park east shelter
 - San Antonio playground full replacement
 - Peak Park pool interior wall and carpet repair
 - Peak Park electrical upgrade
 - Bellis Park block wall repair
 - Bellis Park playground repair

5. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. News Releases, Department Flyers, Etc. – Ms. Ramirez distributed the report on graffiti removal.

6. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

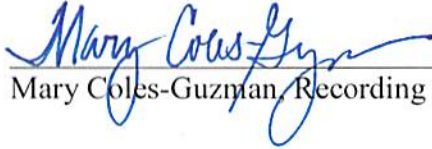
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7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

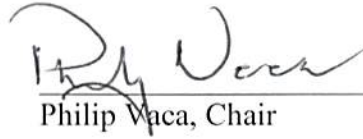
- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 5:00 p.m.
- b. Parks Tour: Saturday, March 28, 2015 8:00 a.m.
- c. Spring Eggstravaganza: Saturday, April 4, 2015, Boisseranc Park, 8:00 a.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: April 16, 2015 7:00 p.m.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Chair Vaca called the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:



Mary Coles-Guzman, Recording Secretary



Philip Vaca, Chair