



*Parks, Recreation and
Neighborhood Services*

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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District 9— Rudy Flores, Vice Chair
Citywide— Virginia Thomas

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Demerris Brooks-Immel—District 6
Chet Mandair —District 8
Brian Quint—District 10

Draft Minutes

Wednesday, March 02, 2016

5:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

- Meeting to order at 5:36 pm
- Commissioner Del Real Absent
- Suzanne Wolfe requested moving item VI. A. to be heard before V. 3.

II. Public Comment

(Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Commission - Speakers are limited to 2 minutes).

- Deb Kramer spoke about Coyote Creek events.

III. Announcements

- Chair Jimenez welcomed Commissioner Mandair

IV. Consent Calendar

- A. Approve the Minutes of February 3, 2016
- B. Approve the Attendance Report
- C. Receive and File Correspondence to Commission
Documents Filed: (1) Minutes of February 3, 2016. (2) Attendance Report for February 3, 2016.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Chair Flores, seconded by Commissioner Brooks-Immel, the motion carried unanimously, the Commission minutes and attendance report were approved. (8-0-1-1). Absent: Del Real, Abstain: Mandair)

V. Reports

A. **Chair;**

B. **Director;** Nothing to report.

C. **Council and Commission**

1. **Council Liaison;** Michele Dexter – reported on the following:

- Winter Walk senior program at Oakridge Mall
- Emergency Preparedness event being planned at Parma Park
- New Park Maintenance District to maintain CD10
- Great American Litter Pickup

2. **Senior Citizens Commission;** Commissioner Thomas shared a senior event scheduled for April 20th.

3. **Youth Commission;** Commissioner Parniya Khosravi provided an update on the Youth Commission's activities.

D. **Department Staff and Organizations**

1. **880 Cities Park Tour & Visits**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, from Marybeth Harasz, dated February 16, 2016. (2) PowerPoint Presentation.

Marybeth Harasz, Interim Deputy Director, PRNS, provided the Commission information gained during her travels with the 800 Cities Park Tour.

Commission discussion ensued

Marybeth Harasz responded to Commissioner questions.

2. **Value of Parks Study by Trust for Public Land (Parks Economic Study)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, from Yves Zutty dated February 15, 2016 (2) PowerPoint Presentation (3) The Trust for Public Land, February 2016 Report.

Yves Zutty, Trail Manager, PRNS introduced the report written by the Trust for Public Land, highlighting sections showing the value of San Jose parks.

Commission discussion ensued

Yves Zutty responded to Commissioner questions.

3. **BEST Funding and Programs**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, from Suzanne Wolfe dated March 2, 2016 (2) PowerPoint Presentation.

Suzanne Wolf, Deputy Director, PRNS, introduced the item and David DeLong, Program Manager, PRNS. David provided an overview of the Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force's Bringing Everyone's Strengths

Together (BEST) grant program.

Commission discussion ensued

David DeLong responded to Commissioner questions.

VI. New & Returning Business

A. Therapeutic Operational Plan – HEARD BEFORE V.D.3.

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, from Suzanne Wolf, dated February 16, 2016
(2) PowerPoint Presentation (3) Operational Plan for Therapeutic Recreation Services dated February 2016

Suzanne Wolf, Deputy Director, PRNS, introduced the item and Christina Matta, Therapeutic Services Manager, PRNS and Lisa Yarn, Therapeutic Specialist, PRNS. Christina highlighted the programming covered in the Therapeutic Operation Plan.

Public Comment: The following spoke in support of Therapeutics programs and services: Daniel Ryan, Christopher Musquez, John Conndly, Emilio Sandoval, Chris Faria, Andre Ellison, Julio Llerenas and Maribel Montanez.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Christina Matta responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Commissioner Woolfe moved to accept the report and Adpot the Therapeutic Operational Plan, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Ahluwalia. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (10-0-1. Absent: Del Real)

B. Budget Update

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, from Avi Yotam, dated February 17, 2016.

Avi Yotam, Administrative Officer, PRNS shared a status update on the PRNS budget within the City's budget process. Avi presented upcoming the upcoming steps in the City's budget process.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Avi Yotam responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Vice Chair moved to write a letter to the City Council focusing on park maintenance, as agreed upon by the Commission, tied to the economic benefits listed in the Trust for Public Land report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mandair. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (10-0-1. Absent: Del Real)

C. PRNS Annual Report

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, from Angel Rios, Jr., dated February 16, 2016. (2) PowerPoint Presentation. (3) 2015 PRNS Annual Report

Traci Tokunaga, Program Manager, PRNS and Beth Pinkston, Analyst, PRNS, provided an overview of the report, highlighting PRNS programs and offerings.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Traci Tokunaga responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Commissioner Brooks-Immel moved to accept the report and the motion was seconded by Vice Chair Flores. The motion passed (10-1 Absent: Del Real)

D. 2015-16 Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) Work Plan.

Documents Filed: (1) 2015 - 2016 Work Plan, City of San Jose Parks and Recreation Commission.

Steve Hammack, Deputy Director, PRNS introduced the item and the following was discussed:

- Iris Chang Park Master Plan & Public Art in April
- Arcadia

Action: Vice Chair Flores moved to accept the work plan, seconded by Commissioner Woolfe. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the 2015-16 Parks and Recreation Commission Work Plan. (10-0-1. Absent: Del Real)

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:33p.m.

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