Draft Minutes
Wednesday, April 5, 2017
5:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day
- Meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m.
- Commissioners Cron and Del Real Absent
- Commissioner Quint arrived at meeting at 6:19 p.m.

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 Commission. Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any discussion item and/or during open forum; the time limit is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. Speakers using a translator will be given twice the time allotted to ensure non-English speakers receive the same opportunity to directly address the Committee, Board or Commission).
- Pat Pizzo spoke on his concern that the Arcadia Ballpark will have a projected loss of $700,000 a year.

III. Announcements
- None

IV. Consent Calendar
A. Approve the Minutes of March 1, 2017
B. Approve the Attendance Report of March 1, 2017
C. Receive and File Correspondence to Commission

Documents Filed: (1) Minutes of February 1, 2017. (2) Attendance Report for February 1, 2017. There was no Correspondence.
Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Woolfe to accept the Consent Calendar, which was seconded by Commissioner Ahluwalia, the motion carried, accepting the Minutes and Attendance Report. (5-0-4). Abstain: Commissioner Brooks-Immel. Absent: Commissioners: Cron, Del Real, and Quint.

V. Reports

A. Chair; None

B. Director; Mike Will, Division Manager, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS), reported on the following:
   - Stevens Creek Urban Village Open House
   - Grand Re-opening of the Vietnamese Heritage Garden on April 7

David DeLong, Administrative Officer, PRNS, clarified the Family Camp memo that was presented at the last Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on March 1, 2017.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

David DeLong responded to Commissioner questions.

David DeLong also spoke on the proposed budget plan and process for PRNS.

Commissioner questions ensued.

David DeLong, Marybeth Harasz, and Justin Long responded to Commissioner questions.

C. Council and Commission

1. Council Liaison; Ryan Carrigan, Staff Representative from Council District 7, reported on the following: [this was actually presented after Item VI. B. Parks Maintenance District Feasibility Study].
   - The week before, the Mayor and Council had discussed the budget message including flood issues.
   - There will be 4 community budget meetings in May.

D. Department Staff and Organizations;
   1. Family Camp Update
      This item was presented during the Director’s Report.
VI. New & Returning Business

A. Guadalupe River Trail Virginia St. – Chynoweth Av. Master Plan;
Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Yves Zsutty, Trail Network Manager, PRNS, dated, March 10, 2017. (2) PowerPoint Presentation.

Yves Zsutty, Trail Network Manager, presented information on the Guadalupe River Trail Virginia St. – Chynoweth Av. Master Plan. He was joined by Erik Smith with Mark Thomas Consulting.

Public Comment:
- None

A Commissioner asked questions related to the recent flooding on trails.

Yves Zsutty responded to the Commissioner’s questions.

Action: Commissioner Brooks-Immel moved to accept the staff report on the Guadalupe River Trail Virginia St. – Chynoweth Av. Master Plan, which was seconded by Commissioner Mandair. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (6-0-3). Absent: Commissioners Cron, Del Real, and Quint.

B. Parks Maintenance District Feasibility Study;
Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Marybeth Harasz, dated, March 16, 2017.

David McCormic, Associate Landscape Designer, PRNS, and Marybeth Harasz, Deputy Director, PRNS, presented information on the Parks Maintenance District Feasibility Study.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

David McCormic, Justin Long, and Marybeth Harasz responded to Commissioner comments.

Commissioner Quint arrived at the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

Public Comment:
- Pat Pizzo – mentioned that there can’t be new parks and yet not have a source to maintain the parks that are already in existence. He also spoke of his concern to make sure to have parks for areas that do not have parks.
- Deb Cramer from Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful spoke about the Trust for Public Land study and that there is a lot of value in having parks. She also mentioned not taxing the public, but have building developers pay for parks.

Commissioner comment and question ensued.
Marybeth Harasz responded to the comment and question.

Action: Commissioner Woolfe moved to accept the status report on the Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Department’s upcoming Parks Maintenance District Feasibility Study, which was seconded by Commissioner Thomas. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (7-0-2). Absent: Commissioners Cron and Del Real.

C. **Community Centers Update for 2016-2017**;
Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Neil Rufino, dated, February 9, 2017. (2) PowerPoint Presentation.


**Public Comment:**
- None

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Justin, Long, Neil Rufino, and Hal Spangenberg responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Commissioner Mandair moved to accept the report on the Community Centers Update for 2016-2017, which was seconded by Commissioner Brooks-Immel. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (7-0-2). Absent: Commissioners Cron and Del Real.

D. **Report on Park Tree Removal Policy and Condition of Trees in Parks**;
DocumentsFiled: (1) Memorandum from Mike Will, dated, March 24, 2017.

Mike Will, Division Manager, PRNS, presented information on the park tree removal policy and condition of trees in parks.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Mike Will and Ryan Carrigan responded to Commissioner questions/comments.

**Public Comment:**
- Pat Pizzo expressed his desire to have the removal of the stumps included when removing the trees. He asked what was the replacement aspect for removing trees. He also asked how much money will go to help Guadalupe Oak Grove Park in terms of trees. In addition, he brought up Park District 1’s involvement with dead trees in Guadalupe Oak Grove Park.
Action: Commissioner Brooks-Immel moved to approve the Report on Park Tree Removal Policy and Condition of Park Trees, which was seconded by Commissioner Woolfe. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (7-0-2). Commissioner Cron and Del Real Absent.

E. 2016-2017 Parks and Recreation Commission Work Plan;
Document Filed: (1) 2016-2017 Work Plan.

Mike Jones, Commission Secretary, brought to the Commission’s attention the following changes:

- Senior Citizens Commission Report will be heard in May
- Youth Commission Report will be heard in May
- Alviso Park Master Plan will be heard in June
- William Lewis Manly Park Naming will be heard in June
- Greenprint will be heard in June
- North San Pedro Neighborhood Re-visioning moved to Future Items list

Action: Commissioner Quint moved to accept the work plan, which was seconded by Commissioner Woolfe. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the report. (7-2-0). Absent: Commissioners Cron and Del Real.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.
HANDOUTS

Parks and Recreation Commission

Wednesday, April 5, 2017
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Los Lagos Golf Course
Club House
2995 Tuers Road
San Jose, CA 95121

District 1       Daphna Woolfe
District 2       Vacant
District 3       Adelina Del Real
District 4       Barinder Ahluwalia
District 5       Vacant
District 6       Demerris Brooks-Immel
District 7       Trami Cron
District 8       Chet Mandair
District 9       Rudy Flores, Chair
District 10      Brian Quint, Vice Chair
Citywide         Virginia Thomas

Councilmember Tam Nguyen,
Council Liaison

Angel Rios, Jr., Director, PRNS
# Parks and Recreation Commission
## Director’s Report
### Wednesday, April 5, 2017

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<td>There will be an open house for the Stevens Creek Urban Village on Thursday April 13th: 6:00pm-8:30pm at Cypress Community Center. <a href="http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/67335">Link</a> The Parks and Open Space proposals for the district will be on display and open for comment at that meeting.</td>
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<td>Grand Re-opening/Ribbon cutting for the Garden – Friday, April 7 2:00pm-3:00pm</td>
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The City of San José Planning Division invites you to join us for a Community Open House (Workshop # 3) to review the final draft plan document for the Stevens Creek Urban Village. This Urban Village Plan was developed using the community input received at previous workshops, on-line engagement, and Stevens Creek Advisory Group meetings. This is the final community meeting before presenting these draft documents before the Planning Commission and City Council at their public hearings.

The Stevens Creek Urban Village is located in western San Jose along the south side of Stevens Creek Boulevard generally between Lawrence Expressway and Winchester Boulevard.

Questions? Contact Lesley Xavier, Project Manager at Lesley.xavier@sanjoseca.gov or visit www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/urbanvillages

Para información en español acerca de esta solicitud, comuníquese con Jennifer Provedor al 408-793-4100. Để biết thêm chi tiết về thông tin này bằng tiếng Việt, xin quý vị liên lạc Kieulan Pham ở số 408-793-4174.
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, FAMILY & CHILDREN ISSUES

Aslin Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) 408-975-2730
2400 Mopacare Avenue, Suite 300
8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. M

Call for assessment & appointment.
Multilingual services, program, & referrals for adults, seniors, & children.

Community Solutions Main 408-779-5133
408-842-7138
24-Hour Domestic Violence/Rape Crisis Line 1-877-363-7238
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. M-F

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ANALYSIS

Operating Agreement

In 2012, at the direction of City Council, the City entered into a modified special use permit/land lease agreement with the USFS. This modified agreement allowed for a reduced term of five years in lieu of the standard 20-year lease agreement. The modified permit was sought in determining whether continuing the Family Camp program was financially sustainable for the City before entering into the national standard USFS permit agreement for a 20-year period. The current permit expired December 31, 2016, and the draft of the new permit is currently under review. The approval of a 20-year lease agreement, along with the Master Development Plan, brings a collaborative approach to managing camp with the USFS.

Projects outlined in the MDP have started. The roofs on the dining hall and manager's house were replaced in September 2016. Bear-proof trash receptacles have been approved for purchase and are on order for delivery and installation in Spring 2017. Restroom maintenance, signage upgrades and concrete and asphalt repairs are scheduled for 2017 as well.

Occupancy and Financial Performance

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Since these setbacks, Family Camp has seen an increase in occupancy and revenue and the 2016 season entailed dramatic growth on both fronts. The following table outlines program performance, participation, and cost recovery percentages for the last four years, and the prediction for the 2017 season (estimated 5 percent growth per year). With recent changes to the support staff, programming, and outreach, a 100 percent occupancy rate may be achieved as program awareness and demand increases.

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The table above shows the current growth in occupancy. Staff continues to implement improvements to Family Camp operations and partnerships, the occupancy and cost recovery rates are expected to continue to increase. PRNS expects to achieve 100 percent cost recovery on a consistent basis by 2020.

Camperships

Family Camp has a “campership” program that awards scholarships to qualifying lower-income families, which can offset up to 50 percent of the costs of a total reservation. Passed in Fiscal
San José, California, the preeminent city of Silicon Valley, has a large natural and developed park system that provides beauty, recreational opportunities, access to nature, and positive environmental impacts to residents, workers, and tourists alike. In fact, parks are so important to the success of San José, that many people have asked how much economic value they bring. Thanks to a new study by The Trust for Public Land, the specifics of that value are now known.

Parks, trails, and community centers
San José contains almost 3,500 acres of city parkland and over 12,500 acres of county and federal preserves. This vast system provides unparalleled opportunities for walking, hiking, bicycling, swimming, playing sports, picnicking, and much more. It offers neighborhood and community parks, playfields, courts, golf courses, natural spaces, dog parks, skate parks, community centers, off-road trails, and the Happy Hollow Park and Zoo.

Enhancing property values
Parks and trails enhance the value of nearby residential properties because people enjoy living close to recreational amenities and are willing to pay for proximity. San José parks raise the value of nearby residential properties by $1 billion and increase property tax revenues by $12.1 million a year.

Providing essential natural goods and services
Parks reduce stormwater by capturing precipitation, slowing its runoff, and reducing the volume of water that enters the stormwater system. Parks in San José provide stormwater management valued at $6.43 million annually.

Trees and shrubs in parks remove air pollutants that endanger human health and damage structures. Parks in San José provide health benefits and reduce pollution control costs by $1.18 million per year.

Generating health care cost savings
Independent research shows that park use translates into increased physical activity, resulting in medical care costs savings. Approximately 24,000 adult residents use San José's parks, trails, and community centers to engage in physical activity at a level sufficient to generate measureable health benefits, yielding annual medical cost savings of $28.3 million.

Offering recreational opportunities and attracting talented workers
Residents also enjoy San José parks, trails, and community centers. Each year residents of San José receive a benefit of $51.2 million for access to reduced or no cost recreational opportunities at park facilities.

San José parks, trails, and community centers make the city an attractive place to live and work. Skilled workers are attracted to places like San José for its open space, clean air and water, and ample opportunities for outdoor recreation.

Boosting the local tourism economy
The Trust for Public Land estimates that approximately 7.7 percent of visitors to San José come to visit parks, trails, and community centers. These visitors spend $120 million annually in the local economy and generate $4.93 million in local tax revenues.

Source: The Trust for Public Land, The Economic Benefits of the Park & Recreation System in San José, California (2016). For the full report, visit WWW.TPL.ORG/ECONBENEFITS-SANJOSE

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