



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

SYNOPSIS

GENERAL MEETING

**Wednesday, December 3, 2008
5:00 P.M.**

**City Hall
Room W-120
200 East Santa Clara Street
San José, CA 95113**

MELANIE RICHARDSON, CHAIR
WINSTON CHEW
JAMES KIM

LESLEE HAMILTON
PAUL KRAMER

MIKE FLAUGHER, VICE CHAIR
ERIK KARSTAN SMITH
JULIE MATSUSHIMA

(a) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Present: Chair Richardson, Vice-Chair Flaughner, Commissioners Chew, Smith, Kim and Hamilton

Excused Absence: Commissioner Matsushima

Absent: Commissioner Hamilton

(1) Attendance Report

Commissioner Kramer stated that his absence from the November 5, 2008 Commission meeting was due to an illness. Staff will update the Attendance Report to reflect this excused absence.

(b) ORDERS OF THE DAY

(c) CEREMONIAL ITEMS

None

(d) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

(e) CONSENT CALENDAR

(1) Approval of November 5, 2008 Synopsis

(2) Review of Planning Applications

It was moved by Vice-Chair Flaughter, seconded by Commissioner Chew, and voted unanimously that the Consent Calendar Items be Approved.

(f) COUNCIL AND COMMISSION REPORTS

(1) Council Liaison

None

(2) Senior Citizens Commission

None

(3) Youth Commission

None

(g) PUBLIC HEARING

None

(h) ACTION ITEMS

(1) Appointment of Commission Representative to speak at Roosevelt Community Center Grand Opening (Saturday, December 13, 10:00 a.m., 901 E. Santa Clara Street)

It was moved by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Commissioner Chew, and voted unanimously to appoint Vice-Chair Flaughter to speak at the Roosevelt Community Center Grand Opening.

(2) Appointment of Commission Representative to speak at Mayfair Community Center Grand Opening (Saturday, January 31, 10:30 a.m., 2039 Kammerer Ave.)

It was moved by Commissioner Chew, seconded by Commissioner Kim, and voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Kramer to speak at the Mayfair Community Center Grand Opening.

- (3) Discussion of Preferred Date and Potential Topics for next Joint Planning/PRC Commission Meeting

It was moved by Kim, seconded by Commissioner Smith and voted unanimously to set the Joint Planning/PRC meeting to February 25th and to direct staff to return to the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting in January with a draft list of topics for approval.

- (4) Review Draft Agenda for January and recommend deferring the meeting to January 14 or 21, 2009

It was moved by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Vice-Chair Flaughter and voted unanimously to defer the next Commission meeting to January 21, 2009 and to approve the draft agenda with the addition of a draft list of Planning/PRC Topics as an Action Item.

(i) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Deputy Director Marney stated that, although negotiations between the City and San Jose State University have ended for the Sports Complex project, there are still opportunities for other partnerships.

Deputy Director Marney noted that the 2010-14 General Fund Forecast has been revised to reflect recent economic conditions and added that it will have an impact on service delivery.

Deputy Director Marney stated the Housing Department will not be coming forward with Impact Fees for Low Income Housing this calendar year.

Deputy Director Bojorquez noted that City Council unanimously approved the Community Sportsfield Study at their meeting on December 2, 2008.

(j) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- (1) Presentation on Master Plan for Buena Vista Park Expansion

Simeon Mercado, Parks Manager, gave a presentation.

(2) Registration & E-Commerce System (RECS) Pilot Program Update

Dan Wax, Division Manager, PRNS gave an introduction and overview of the report.

Traci Tokunaga, Program Manager, PRNS gave a presentation.

The Commission discussed the vendor's success rate and the importance of keeping alternative registration methods in place for those who do not have computer access.

(3) Report on Summer Aquatics Program

Deputy Director Bojorquez gave an introduction and an overview of the report stating that the program has been very successful so far.

Suzanne Wolf, Superintendent, PRNS and Jeremy Shoffner, Pool Manager gave the presentation.

(4) Greenprint Status Report

Rafael Gomez, Greenprint Program Manager gave the presentation.

The Commission discussed the impact of the current economic condition on the Greenprint.

(5) Commissioner News Items

Dave Mitchell, Parks Planning Manager, PRNS noted that the Planning Department is considering dropping the Extraordinary Benefits item.

The Commission discussed adding this to the list of potential topics for the Joint Planning/PRC meeting.

(6) Future Agenda Items

Chair Richardson requested adding ongoing status reports on Sports Complexes.

Dave Mitchell, Parks Planning Manager, PRNS suggested including this as part of the quarterly Citizen's Oversight Committee (COC) meetings.

The Commission discussed the openings at Selma Olinder Dog Park and the Hitachi site and noted the opportunity for Commissioner Smith to speak.

Commissioner Smith suggested adding a discussion of Eco Friendly planning strategies such as those presented in the Green Vision Plan.

(k) LIAISON REPORTS

(1) General Plan Task Force Report

None

(2) Community Sports Fields Ad-hoc Study Committee

The Ad-hoc Committee has completed their work and this item will be removed from the next Agenda.

(3) Greenprint Ad-hoc Subcommittee

No report.

(4) Martial-Cottle Project Ad-hoc Committee

No report.

(l) CORRESPONDENCE

None

(m) ADJOURNMENT

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The next general Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2009.