



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

SYNOPSIS

GENERAL MEETING

**Wednesday, April 1, 2009
5:30 P.M.**

**Mayfair Community Center
Chavez Banquet Hall
2039 Kammerer Avenue
San Jose, CA 95116**

MELANIE RICHARDSON, CHAIR

WINSTON CHEW

JAMES KIM

MIKE FLAUGHER, VICE CHAIR

LESLEE HAMILTON

ERIK KARSTAN SMITH

JULIE MATSUSHIMA

(a) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Excused Absence: None

Absent: None

(1) Attendance Report

Chair Richardson read an email from Commissioner Kramer. Due to health issues, he is resigning from the Parks and Recreation Commission effective immediately.

(b) ORDERS OF THE DAY

Item (j)(1) Family Camp Master Plan Update was heard before Item (i) Director's Report.

(c) CEREMONIAL ITEMS

None

(d) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Larry Ames, public, spoke on the Willow Glen Spur Trail (3 Creeks Trail) and requested this topic be placed on a future agenda.

Arvind Kumar, public, spoke on the importance of using native plants in city parks.

(e) CONSENT CALENDAR

(1) Approval of March 4, 2009 Synopsis

(2) Review of Planning Applications

It was moved by Vice-Chair Flaughter, seconded by Commissioner Matsushima, 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

(1) Naming of Pool located at 421 N. First Street

Suzanne Wolf provided information on the naming and renaming of park sites as it relates to public private partnerships.

Commissioners Hamilton and Matsushima recused themselves because they are members of the Rotary.

Don Gagliardi, member of Rotary Club San Jose, spoke in support of renaming Ryland Pool.

Tina Morrill, public, also spoke in support of renaming Ryland Pool.

It was moved by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Chew, and voted unanimously to recommend to City Council that the pool located at 421 N. First Street be renamed Rotary Ryland Pool.

(h) ACTION ITEMS

(1) Department Pricing & Revenue Framework and Guiding Principles

Katie Crowder, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Department, gave an overview of the report.

Pat Pizzo, Public, spoke on department fees including direct and indirect costs.

Commissioner Kim will participate in the Pricing and Revenue Plan focus group which is scheduled for Tuesday, April 7, 2009.

It was moved by Commissioner Hamilton, seconded by Vice-Chair Flaughter, and voted unanimously to accept the report, support staff recommendations and to incorporate feedback from focus groups into final report.

(i) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Julie Edmonds-Mares, Assistant Director of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services stated that the City budget process is moving forward. The Mayor's Budget Message is now online. Staff will return to the Parks and Recreation Commission with an update in May.

Matt Cano, Division Manager for Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services provided an update on the Trails System. He noted that several San Jose urban trails have been included in two recent Publications: "Best Easy Day Hikes – San Jose" and the "Bay Area Bike Rides" card deck. He also noted that the Trail Program website will receive an award of merit from the California Trails and Greenways Conference on April 23, 2009.

(j) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

(1) Family Camp Master Plan Update

Suzanne Wolf, Superintendent, gave a brief update.

(2) Commissioner News Items

None

(3) Future Agenda Items

The Commission added the following items:

- The Willow Glen Spur Trail
- Use of Native Plants in Parks
- Green Vision

(4) Review Draft Agenda for May

The Commission reviewed the Draft Agenda for May.

(k) CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – Time Certain 6:30 p.m.

The Parks and Recreation Commission adjourned at 6:36 p.m. and immediately reconvened as the Citizen's Oversight Committee. The Citizen's Oversight Committee adjourned at 8:00 p.m. and immediately reconvened as the Parks and Recreation Committee (See Separate Synopsis).

(l) LIAISON REPORTS

(1) General Plan Task Force Report
None

(2) Greenprint Ad-hoc Subcommittee
None

(4) Martial-Cottle Project Ad-hoc Committee
None

(m) CORRESPONDENCE

Invitation to the City of San Jose Boards and Commission Recognition Reception on April 14, 2009, 5:30 P.M., City Hall Rotunda.

(n) ADJOURNMENT

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m. The next general Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2009.