

City of Richmond - RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017, 6:00 PM

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Meeting called to order by Chair Hurlbut at 6:06 p.m.
- B. ROLL CALL**
ABSENT – Comm. Torres; Comm. Saini
- C. AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION**
- Comm. Paskowitz motioned to accept the agenda as written; Comm. Patel seconded; passed unanimously
- D. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS THROUGH THE CHAIR**
- Outstanding Items
 1. RNCC questions were sent to Director Monk
 2. Announced current Commission account balance
 3. Will bring update on Commissioner assignments
 4. Would like to implement suggestion boxes at the centers
 5. Asked audience to write a letter to City Council to increase the budget for Community Services Department
 - Membership Changes
 1. Joey Smith
- E. OPEN FORUM**
- Cordell Hindler, Richmond Resident – wants to have other city departments added back to the agendas; spoke about May Valley comm. center renaming
 - Paul Rodgers, Richmond Resident – thanked the Department for balancing the soccer use of BTA park & asked if we can get additional services and programs for the park
 - Jennifer Diaz-Zamora, Richmond Resident – asked for the Commission to support a petition to prevent the cutting down of trees at Alvarado Park
 - Susan Wehrle, Richmond Resident – upset about loss of hours due to budget cuts; asked to have more lessons for kids of color
 - Garry Hurlbut – gave updates on Pt. Richmond Neighborhood Council volunteer work & Richmond Tennis Association programs and events
 - Rock Brown, Richmond Resident – congratulated new Commissioner; thanked the Chair for volunteering in community; discussed Tiller Park and advocated for more volunteer work from other city officials
- F. CONSENT CALENDAR**
- APPROVE – April 5, 2017 minutes
 1. Comm. Paskowitz motioned to approve; Comm. Hurlbut seconded; 2 yes, 1 abstention
- G. STAFF REPORTS**
- Parks Division –
 1. Provided written and oral report
 - Community Services Department –
 1. Provided oral report
- H. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSIONS, & ACTION ITEMS**
- Community Services Department Budget Overview – Director, Rochelle Monk, gave updates and information regarding the current budget and the upcoming fiscal year 2017-2018
 1. Commission requested a community forum

I. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

- Comm. Smith – expressed looking forward to being a Commissioner
- Comm. Saini – gave updates on Hilltop Area and said she would be attending the May Valley Neighborhood Council meeting; would like to host a Commissioner mixer through the Mayor’s office
- Comm. Paskowitz – no report
- Chair Hurlbut – talked about her attendance at the RNCC meeting; encouraged volunteerism; asked for fun signage to prevent littering; made event announcements

J. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

K. ACTION ITEMS RECAP

L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM RECOMMENDATIONS

M. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

N. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Commission Meeting – Wednesday, June 7, 2017, 6:00 p.m., Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Johann Frazier, Executive Secretary