

City of Richmond - RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza.

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017, 6:00 PM

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Meeting called to order by Chair Hurlbut at 6:01 p.m.
- B. ROLL CALL**
ABSENT – PAYAL PATEL, PARDIP SAINI
- C. AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION**
- No changes
- D. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS THROUGH THE CHAIR**
- Outstanding Items
 1. Add commissioner to EBRPD meetings
 2. Convene ad-hoc meeting on updates to community center rules – pending feedback
 3. Convene ad-hoc meeting on updating renaming parks policy pending tonight’s review
 4. BPAC invitation to speak not scheduled
 5. Resolve discrepancies of park names
 6. Scheduled meetings with RNCC w/Chair on 3/20 & 5/8
 7. Commission round table to discuss business plan to be scheduled in March
 8. Current balance in commission account is \$542.82, no change from last month
 9. Need leash law signage at Judge Carroll Park
 - Discussion followed and Superintendent Hardesty to review and report
 - Membership Changes
 1. none
- E. OPEN FORUM**
- Cordell Hindler, Richmond Resident – invited commission to performance “In the Height” and passed out flyers, had a conversation with former vice chair David Garcia who suggested executive board meet a week prior to these council meetings to decide what should be on the agenda for the following meeting. Maryn answered that that the work session meeting happens already to discuss what needs to go on the agenda.
 - Garry Hurlbut – Richmond Tennis Association-one of their players on tennis team from Nepal who is now ranked the #1 ranked 3.25 tennis player in Northern California. 14-year-old Cassidy Clark, graduate of community services program, won the tournament over the weekend. Two new courts are virtually done and have ECIA grant may happen in the next couple of weeks to refinish floor courts. Received a grant for rejuvenating youth program.
 - Susan Worley- Richmond Resident – If other pools need to close, Kennedy pool should be open full time. Advocating for pools to be open more hours. Has petition with 200 names. Reiterated the need for better Senior access, most of us have disabilities or loss of mobility and the pool for some is the only form of exercise they can get. Her intent is to talk to the school board.
- F. CONSENT CALENDAR**
No items
- G. STAFF REPORTS**
- Parks and Landscaping – Greg Hardesty
 1. Waiting for nets to be installed, scheduled for the day after the meeting
 2. Humboldt basketball court opened the day of meeting

3. Community Services Department pool. Slow going. After Juneteenth at Nichol Park, the play lots will be fenced off and the sand removed and put into the pool. As soon as the sand is removed, it will be replaced with engineerable fiber. Must be done by the end of the month before contract runs out.
4. Status update on water fountains at Humboldt- waiting to hear from Rock, to contact with update and next steps. If he can provide labor, Greg will provide materials. Volunteers help to make things go quicker.

▪ Recreation Department – Rochelle Monk

1. Moving forward to bring budget back and present to mayor and council at June 20th meeting. The gap for the whole city is \$30,000. Working to close the gap and balance the budget.
2. Broken plaster has been a big issue at the Plunge. Working with another contractor to get repairs done at no cost to us. Have 2 bids, but need 1 more to submit to insurance. Pool will be closed during repairs. Extensive repairs, not sure how long it will be closed. We have simply been administering patch work in the past, now need to complete repairs KaBoom! Wendell park rebuild – need a VIP list

H. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSIONS, & ACTION ITEMS

- PRESENTATION – Jacquelyn Holly-Young – Employment specialist for Youth Works. Relationship with Rochelle Monk and her team Summer youth employment opportunities for the communities. Placement for 150 recreation takes up 40 of interest they prefer to give back and mentor youth. A lot of recreational placements got permanent jobs. Some past participants are now majoring in recreational programs in college. Online and mobile application. Received 379 applications, but there only 150 placements. Interest is high.

I. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

- Comm. Paskowitz – said he went to city council meeting. Budget hearing, by the time budget conversation came up there were only about 5 people there.
- Comm. Schwartz – went to the Richmond Heights neighborhood council meeting and got some insight into the budget
- Comm. Smith –says there was an incident at Marina Bay Park where none of the restrooms were available. It started off as sewer issue in one of the restrooms. After it was reported, someone came out and the result was they had to be closed completely. Handwritten signs were posted saying to use the other bathrooms, but those were locked.

J. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

K. ACTION ITEMS RECAP

- Discuss recommendations to the city council about the budget
- Think of events to organize in the parks.

L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM RECOMMENDATIONS

- Brainstorming ideas to reallocating and possibly sharing Richmond Main Post Office space

M. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

N. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Commission Meeting – Wednesday, July 5, 2017, 6:00 p.m., Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Delana Elarms-Andrews, Office Clerk