

# CITY OF FULLERTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION FINAL MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 14, 2025, 6:30 P.M.
Council Chamber
303 West Commonwealth Avenue
Fullerton, California

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair Maldonado called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.

# **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Jozef Maldonado, Commission Members Mark

Freeman, Joseph Kim

Absent: Vice Chair Douglas McKendry, Commission Member

Leonel Talavera

Staff Present: Parks & Recreation Manager Christian Hernandez,

Parks & Recreation Senior Administrative Analyst Edgar Rosales, Parks & Recreation Supervisors Eche Echeverria, Chuy Sandoval, Miriam Duarte, Parks & Recreation Coordinator George Zeng, Senior Librarian

Jaime Cortes

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Chair Maldonado

#### DEPARTMENT UPDATE

# STAFF COMMUNICATION / COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Freeman asked about the basketball courts at Independence Park Gymnasium.
- Commissioner Kim asked what methods are used to promote our programs and asked about the attendance at the programs.
- Chair Maldonado asked if the Community Yard Sale timeframe could be extended.
- Chair Maldonado requested clarification regarding the leveling of the ground at Independence Park and asked about the low attendance for programs at the Hunt Library.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Jensen Hallstrom, spoke about the natural topography at Independence Park.
- Maureen Milton (via Zoom) commented on the community yard sale and

expressed frustration that event information is only shared through social media, making it inaccessible to those without internet access.

• Kurt Johnston, spoke about the possibility of donating playground equipment.

# Approved

# CONSENT ITEMS (1 - 5)

- 1. MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION FEBRUARY 2025 MEETING
- 2. PUBLIC WORKS FACILITIES MONTHLY REPORT FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2025
- 3. PUBLIC WORKS LANDSCAPE MONTHLY REPORT FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2025
- 4. PARK DWELLING FEE FOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS
- 5. MINOR FIELD ALLOCATION POLICY REVISIONS

Commissioner Freeman moved, seconded by Commissioner Kim, to approve and receive, and file items 1 - 5.

Motion carried 3-0-2 (Absent: McKendry; Talavera)

# Approved

# **REGULAR BUSINESS (6)**

6. HUNT BRANCH LIBRARY: ONE YEAR IN REVIEW

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Jensen Hallstrom expressed his gratitude for the work done at the Hunt Branch Library and discussed tree care at the library.
- Sueling Cheng, Library Board of Trustees, expressed her gratitude to the Commissioners and City staff for their efforts at the Hunt Library. She also asked about the budget challenges and sought suggestions on how to make the venue more appealing in order to increase revenue.
- Curtis Gamble, shared his recommendations for the Hunt Branch Library.
- Kurt Johnston, shared ideas for the Hunt Branch Library.

# STAFF COMMUNICATION / COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Kim asked about the leveling at Union Pacific Trail.
- Commissioner Freeman spoke about going fully digital to promote our programs and events for the recreation guide.
- Chair Maldonado commented on the Downtown Farmers Market.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Manager Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 7:57 PM.