CITY OF FULLERTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION FINAL MINUTES CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Monday, September 9, 2019 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cox called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Hussani led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Gretchen Cox, Commissioner Michael Savage, Commissioner Ayesha Hussaini, Commissioner Enrique Macias, Vice Chair Erik Wehn

Absent:

Staff: Director Hugo Curiel, Parks Project Specialist Douglas Pickard, Supervisor John Clements, Supervisor John Powers

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jose Trinidad asked for an update on the Woodcrest Park opening and mentioned the community is excited. Jose also requested for the Parks and Recreation Department provide a stage for performances during the opening. Director Curiel said there was an issue with the sidewalk that caused some delays. The opening of the park should be sometime in late October and there will be public postings.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

CONSENT ITEMS (Items 1 and 2)

- 1. MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING AUGUST 12, 2019
- 2. PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORTS FOR JUNE AND AUGUST 2019

Commissioner Savage MADE A MOTION to approve the consent items, SECONDED by Commissioner Macias.

VOTE:

AYES: Chair Cox, Commissioner Savage, Commissioner Hussaini, Commissioner Macias, Vice Chair Wehn

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

The MOTION PASSED 5-0

Regular Business (Item 3)

3. ROLLING HILLS IMPROVEMENTS - UPDATE

Parks and Project Specialist Pickard gave a Power Point presentation about the Rolling Hills Project. The park is on Bastanchury Road with a lot of green area, play structures but no parking. The design will add a safer parking lot but will do so in a way to not lose valuable green space. During renovation the play structure will also be replaced. The community has requested lighting to help alleviate illicit activities.

The project started in July 2016 with engineering staff and has been taken to the community three times. Last year in September, the Commission approved the concept and staff moved forward with construction documents. Construction documents should be done by the end of October. The project will be taken to City Council for approval and hopefully construction starts in February with a ribbon cutting ceremony in May.

Commissioner Cox: Are the challenges that were noted going to add cost to project?

Parks and Project Specialist Pickard: No, they didn't impact budget and costs

Director Curiel: It is common to encounter difficulties and unforeseen conditions and it is difficult to predict added or needed improvements.

Commissioner Savage: Is street parking being eliminated?

Parks and Project Specialist Pickard: Yes, street parking will be eliminated.

Commissioner Savage: Are the single use restrooms being considered for other parks?

Director Curiel: These are being used to meet the community's request. With the proposed design and location, police officers and staff will be able to monitor them efficiently.

Commissioner Savage: Hopefully we can revisit this later on and think about other locations where these restrooms can go.

Macias: Do these restrooms have sinks?

Director Curiel: Once the restrooms are put in everything else will go in as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED.

Commissioner Macias MADE A MOTION to approve the Rolling Hills update, SECONDED by Commissioner Savage.

VOTE:

AYES: Chair Cox, Commissioner Savage, Commissioner Hussaini, Commissioner Macias, Vice Chair Wehn

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

The MOTION PASSED 5-0

4. ATHLETIC FIELD USE AND ALLOCATION POLICY - FOLLOW UP

Director Curiel mentioned this item was previously brought to Commission for review and approval. Staff was bringing it back after addressing the Commission's and the public's feedback. Staff is looking for the Commission's recommendation of approval to the City Council.

Supervisor Clements gave a Power Point presentation about the Athletic Field Use and Allocation Policy. Supervisor Clements explained staff has met with other cities, partner groups and with commissioners as well as posted the drafted policy online and received feedback and has updated the policy accordingly.

Supervisor Clements wanted to better define recreation and competitive sports and to get a road map for partners to know what is expected and what is required for them to do.

The application process was reviewed and making sure users were submitting paperwork in on time to the department and the three strike rule.

Three strike rule

1st written notice

2nd they lose deposit

3rd fees go up

4th they must come to commission

Commissioner Macias: How many competitive teams are using fields?

Supervisor Clements: Rangers, Strikers, EDA, softball teams and other travel sports teams but mostly soccer teams.

Commissioner Macias: So it's soccer teams that are asking for space?

Supervisor Clements: Yes.

Commissioner Savage: If an organization has both recreation and competitive they are permitted separately?

Supervisor Clements: Yes, if you have both then can only send recreation representatives to the partners meetings. Also, if you give up recreation assigned space to your competitive side then that will be a violation.

Vice Chair Wehn: How often does a group get a second or third violation?

Supervisor Clements: The rule is brand new so has not been implemented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Tom Conner wanted to thank the Parks and Recreation Department and the Commission.
- 2. Diego Guayan wanted to thank the Parks and Recreation Department and the Commission and is happy.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

Commissioner Macias MADE A MOTION to approve the Athletic Field Use and Allocation Policy, SECONDED by Vice Chair Wehn.

VOTE:

AYES: Chair Cox, Commissioner Savage, Commissioner Hussaini, Commissioner Macias, Vice Chair Wehn

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

The MOTION PASSED 5-0

COMMISSION/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Director's Comments:

Director Curiel undated the Commissioner about:

- Fullerton Connect being delivered to residents???
- Yoga classes at the Fullerton Community Center
- New exhibit at the Fullerton Museum called Sharks: On Assignment with Brian Skerry
- A cold and allergy presentation at the Fullerton Community with a nurse
- Golden Hill Little League winning the World Series and the City hosting a parade in their honor.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Chair Cox: Wants to thank all the leagues for giving feedback and cannot believe how much work Supervisor Clements and Carol Whitaker spent putting this together.

Director Curiel: Thanked the groups and Commissioners for taking time to look at the policy from a different angle than City staff.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cox MADE A MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Director Curiel, Secretary