

**CITY OF FULLERTON
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
FINAL MINUTES
City Council Chamber
303 W Commonwealth Avenue
Monday July 13, 2020
6:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wehn called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

Michael Savage led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Erik Wehn, Commissioner Gretchen Cox, Commissioner Michael Savage

Absent: Commissioner Ayesha Hussaini, Vice Chair Enrique Macias

Staff: Director Hugo Curiel, Parks Project Specialist Douglas Pickard, Supervisor John Powers, Manager Amanda Arbiso

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

CONSENT ITEMS (Items 1 and 2)

1. MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 2020
2. PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORTS FOR JUNE 2020

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

VOTE:

AYES: Chair Wehn, Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Savage

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Vice Chair Macias, Commissioner Hussaini

The MOTION PASSED 3-0.

REGULAR BUSINESS (Item 3)

3. KOREAN WAR AND MEMORIAL UPDATE

Parks Project Specialist Pickard gave a PowerPoint presentation with updates to the Korean War Memorial.

In March 2014, the OCKWMC expressed their interest in establishing a Korean War Memorial within the City of Fullerton limits. In 2016, a prior MOU expired and the project was put on hold until early 2019. The committee met with the Mayor and City Council Members and reintroduced the concept. In November 2019, Council reissued an MOU for City staff to work with the committee to move forward with the Memorial project.

The memorial will consist of five stars which will be etched with the names of the service men and women that died while in service.

Parks Project Specialist Pickard introduced Joe Pak, and invited him to say some words. Mr. Pak discussed the cost of the project and explained the stars will have 10 sides having space for more than 36,000 names to be honored; and that the project is being funded by the Korean community. Mr. Pak expressed his gratitude to the City of Fullerton.

Commissioner Cox: Was this the only design that was considered due to the different characteristics of Hillcrest Park?

Mr. Pak: Ideas were explored and after receiving suggestions it was determined to go with a more compact design.

Chair Wehn: Excited to see this project because he grew up with a great uncle that was a Marine at Chosin Reservoir.

Mr. Pak: Mentioned Mayor Fitzgerald's grandfather served in the Korean War. Assembly Member Sharon Quirk Silva's father also served in the War and came back wounded. He also mentioned the Korean Government appreciates anyone that served in the war and will present an ambassador of peace medal to them or a family member if they are deceased.

Commissioner Savage MADE A MOTION to receive and file the Korean War and Memorial Update, SECONDED by Commissioner Cox.

AYES: Chair Wehn, Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Savage

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Vice Chair Macias, Commissioner Hussaini

The MOTION PASSED 3-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED.

DIRECTORS UPDATE

- Youth sports closed due to COVID-19 concerns
- Summer camp registrations opened last week and camp began today
- Museums will also be closed due to County and State guidelines
- Senior Services:
 - Meal distribution through Meals on Wheels.
 - Over 8,000 meals
 - Second Harvest has been providing groceries for food distributions at Community Center
- Staff is calling seniors and doing wellness checks
- The Duck Pond Project is moving forward
- Rolling Hills & Pearl Park will be going to City Council on July 21st for award of construction contract

Commissioner Cox: Is the Pooch Park remaining open?

Parks Project Specialist Pickard: Some volunteers didn't feel comfortable being at the Pooch Park causing it to be closed down, but has reopened as of last week.

COMMISSION/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Wehn asked for staff agenize an informational item on the Fullerton School District Joint Use Agreement.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wehn MADE A MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Director Curiel, Secretary