CITY OF FULLERTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION FINAL MINUTES

Virtual Meeting

Monday, September 13, 2021 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wehn called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

Chair Wehn led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Erik Wehn, Vice Chair Kathy Lira, Commissioner Damion Lloyd, Commissioner Jensen Hallstrom, Commissioner Angela Lindstrom

Absent: Commissioner Enrique Macias, Commissioner Ayesha Hussaini

Staff: Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Alice Loya, Parks and Recreation Manager Amanda Arbiso, Parks and Recreation Supervisor John Clements, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Ricardo Veloz

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM DROUGHT UPDATE

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Laura: Comment about tree removal and play structure at Adlena
- Maureen: Asked for Commission members to speak louder and commented and water waste she has noticed
- Jane Reifer: Commented on issues at parks not being fixed after being identified, shared opportunities for upcoming community meetings and commented on the Urban Forest Survey

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

CONSENT ITEMS (Items 1, 2 and 3)

- MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION AUGUST 2021 MEETING
- 2. PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORTS FOR AUGUST 2021
- 3. MEMORIAL BENCH DONATION

Item 2 was pulled by Commissioner Hallstrom

Chair Wehn MADE A MOTION to approve Item 1 and 3, SECONDED by Commissioner Lloyd.

VOTE

AYES: Chair Wehn, Vice Chair Lira, Commissioner Lloyd, Commissioner Lindstrom, Commissioner Hallstrom

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Commissioner Macias, Commissioner Hussaini

The MOTION PASSED (5-0)

Commissioner Hallstrom requested giving the Commission additional information on items listed in the Public Works agenda report.

Chair Wehn MADE A MOTION to approve Item 2, SECONDED by Vice Chair Lira.

VOTE

AYES: Chair Wehn, Vice Chair Lira, Commissioner Lloyd, Commissioner Lindstrom, Commissioner Hallstrom

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Commissioner Macias, Commissioner Hussaini

The MOTION PASSED (5-0)

REGULAR BUSINESS (Items 4)

4. LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Deputy Director Loya gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding Little Free Libraries being installed at staffed neighborhood centers. She stated the pros and cons and the reasoning for the recommendation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Alexis Reyes: Thanked the Department for researching the topic and asked what neighborhood centers are being considered
- Maureen: Asked if the Friends of the Fullerton Library could be involved

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

Commissioner Hallstrom asked about installing Little Free Libraries at locations other than neighborhood centers, Deputy Director Loya told the Commission it would

be difficult to manage installations at parks that are not staffed due to the lack of staff in the Department.

Chair Wehn asked if this could be part of the Adopt-a-Park Program. The Adopt-a-Park program participants don't clean as often as it would be necessary to maintain a Little Free Library.

Chair Wehn requested a follow up item after the Little Free Libraries have been installed and running.

Chair Wehn MADE A MOTION to approve the Little Free Library SECONDED by Commissioner Lindstrom.

VOTE

AYES: Chair Wehn, Vice Chair Lira, Commissioner Lloyd, Commissioner Lindstrom, Commissioner Hallstrom

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Commissioner Macias, Commissioner Hussaini

The MOTION PASSED 5-0

STAFF COMMUNICATION/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Chair Wehn asked for an Adopt-A-Park and Trail program update and if restrooms being vandalized is still an issue as it was nine months to one year ago
- Commissioner Lindstrom asked what parks or trails in the City have not been adopted, commented on a policy regarding e-bikes on the trails, asked if the Urban Forest Survey will be agenized in the future and if the Commission receives regular budget updates
- Vice Chair Lira asked if the youth leagues are working well with each other
- Commissioner Hallstrom commented on the Adlena Park tree removal and planting

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Director Lova, Secretary