

# CITY OF REDLANDS

## PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

### MINUTES

RYAN JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN  
MARYN WELLS, VICE-CHAIR ADAM HEBDEN, COMMISSIONER  
BRADLEY L. BILLINGS, COMMISSIONER EDWARD FERRARI, COMMISSIONER  
DOUGLAS GONZALES, COMMISSIONER RICHA JOS, STUDENT COMMISSIONER

The following information comprises the minutes for a regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission to be held at **4:30 p.m.** on **Thursday, July 8, 2020**, in the City Council Chambers, 35 Cajon Street, Suite #2.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER – Attendance

Present: Ryan Johnson, Chair  
Maryn Wells, Vice Chair  
Edward Ferrari  
Brad Billings  
Adam Hebden  
Richa Jos

Absent:  
Douglas Gonzales

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, 2021.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

*No public comments were given or received*

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. June 10, 2021, regular meeting Minutes were approved by Chair Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Billings with modifications by Commissioner Ferrari in section 6d.

#### 4. STATUS REPORTS

- A. City Council Liaison report
  - a. Absent
- B. FCS staff report on Recreation and Park activities
  - a. Shawn McIntosh reported that the city has approximately 750 volunteers. The volunteers did work on \_\_\_ and painted about 2640 feet of fencing. The city needs to do maintenance on some play equipment, so that is a priority currently. 800 of 1000 volunteers showed up at Ford Park to shore the pond.
- C. Student Liaison report
  - a. Commissioner Jos reported that cross country was starting next Monday, RUSD is focusing on STEM camps for younger students. Band camps are starting in school. School is planned to be in session next school year. Masks are required at all times unless outside. Summer school is still in session.
- D. RUSD Liaison report
  - a. Michelle Rendler reported that Summer school was for credit recovery. Crafton Hills College is doing dual enrollment for high schoolers. There were 10 graduation ceremonies because ceremonies had to be split into sections due to occupancy limits. August 11th is the planned starting date for school. Schools will require masks from students. Teachers need to wear masks when students are present regardless of vaccination status. When students are not present they may take off masks if vaccinated.

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding survey questions for public input subcommittee
  - a. A subcommittee that was formerly created has not taken any leads. Tabitha Kevari reports that a large survey was done in 2015 and a new survey may not be necessary. The survey is consistent with current data. In the data there were 60 requests for an

aquatic center, 40 for sidewalks, 5 for sidewalks, and 6 for safety. Vice chair Wells motioned to continue to use the 2015 data, and not move forward with the new survey. Seconded by Commissioner Billings. Carried unanimously.

- B. Discussion and possible action regarding the project list subcommittee
  - a. The subcommittee that included Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Wells, and Commissioner Billings made some corrections to the project list and added good credit to Vice Chairman. Not in priority order yet. Listed in terms of priority. The commission should prioritize which ones they want staff to take to the council to do further research.
- C. Discussion and possible action regarding the budget subcommittee
  - a. Commissioner Ferrari and Gonzales were put on the budget subcommittee but were not able to meet. Item tabled until August 12th meeting.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding a Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission welcome packet
  - a. Chair Johnson made agreed that the Commission's purpose is to advise council memes on park improvements. Commissioner Ferrari suggested a generic welcome letter be included for new Commissioners. He suggested the commission's welcome packet can be rewritten with fewer repeated words and improve the clarity of the document. Commissioner Billings and Chair Johnson will be on the subcommittee to write the welcome packet. Billings is the chair of the welcome packet subcommittee.
- B. Discussion and possible action regarding Commissioner park assignments (Attachment D)
  - a. Decided that Commissioner Ferrari will take Brookside Park, Smiley Park, and Joslyn Senior Center. Commissioner Hebden will take Caroline Park, Oakmont Park, and Sylvan Park. Commissioner Gonzales will take Community and Senior Center, Community Park, and Texonia Park. Vice-Chair Wells will take Crafton Park, Ed Hales Park, and Ford Park. Chair Johnson will take Heritage Park, Jennie Davis Park, and Sports Park. Commissioner Billings will take Israel Beal Park, Laramie Park, The Terrace and Bungalow Park.
- C. Discussion and possible action regarding a Parks endowment fund
  - a. Tabitha Kevari reported that the parks funds recently got a donation of around \$39,000. Commissioner Ferrari suggested an online portal for donating funds to the parks. Tabitha Kevari acknowledged that the only way to donate is to go to the community center and fill out the form manually. She reported that making an online portal would require a motion and further approval from the council since the power is not within the parks department. Commissioner Ferrari made a motion to recommend city staff for looking into the possibility of creating casual donations to the parks and recreation accounts. Chair Johnson added that when the proper payment system is available the motion would apply and be seconded. Commissioner Billings voted no, Vice-chair Wells voted aye, Commissioner Jos voted no. Motion fails.
- D. Discussion and possible action regarding the community gardens
  - a. Commissioner Ferrari is scheduled to present his slides next meeting. Tabled until August 12th.
- E. Discussion and possible action regarding the replacement of shade sails at Crafton, Israel Beal, Community, and Sylvan Parks
  - a. There is no update. The city is still waiting for engineering. The city is looking a replacing the shade sails and the costs. Chair Johnson suggested a temporary fix with heavy-duty tarps to get people out in the parks. Tabitha had a discussion with Eric reeves discussing the replacement of the shades due to vandalism. Tabitha Kevari will see if she can get the shade sails to be replaced.
- F. Discussion and possible action regarding the role of the City Council liaison
  - a. Chair Johnson reported that on page 3 that the council liaison can express the board's feelings to the council and facilitate communication between the council and its advisory board. Commissioner Ferrari suggests that clarification would be beneficial to the general understanding of the role.

## 7. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- No new agenda items for next meetings
- Focus on current agenda items

**8. ADJOURNMENT TO REGULAR MEETING on Thursday, August 12, 2021, at 4:30 P.M.**