

CITY OF REDLANDS PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

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DOUGLAS GONZALES, COMMISSIONER RICHARD 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, August 12, 2021**, in the City Council Chambers, 35 Cajon Street, Suite #2.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Attendance

Chair Johnson was absent.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment was given or received

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the July 8, 2021, meeting will be available at the next regularly scheduled meeting

4. STATUS REPORTS

- a. City Council Liaison report
 - a. Absent
- b. FCS staff report on Recreation and Park activities
 - a. All facilities are now open to the public. Luke Cinema is teaming up with Redlands to bring back Movies in the Park program at Brookside Park. They will be sponsoring 3 movies and will provide free movie vouchers to everyone in attendance. Redlands is also offering a Halloween theme fair at Ford Park in October.
- c. Student Liaison report
 - a. Commissioner Jos reported that school started yesterday, masks are required for both teachers and students at all times when indoors. Sports tryouts for multiple sports have begun with full unmodified seasons. The California mandate has required schools to start after 8:30 so RHS ends at 3:20. On Monday's RHS participates in late start so school will start at 9:30 on Mondays. RUSD has implemented Grab and Go lunches outdoors rather than have every student inside the cafeterias.
- d. RUSD Liaison report
 - a. Absent

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding survey questions for public input subcommittee
 - a. The subcommittee did not meet and failed to take any action on the project. An action to create another survey was made. Vice-Chair Wells made a motion to move the app to review, seconded by Adam Hebden. Motion passes. Commissioner Jos asked to work on an app for the city with a group of RHS students. Commissioner Hebden agreed that it could be turned into a school project since the city was not making a profit off the app.
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding the project list subcommittee (Attachment A)
 - a. The committee has not met in person. They exchanged emails. The subcommittee is interested in seeing a playground and incorporated entertainment village. A decision to put the item for

council was made. Wells makes a motion to have some kind of a selection with the planning department, our commission about possibilities for purpose building apps. All in favor except Commissioner Ferrari. Motion passed.

- c. Discussion and possible action regarding the budget subcommittee
 - a. There are well over 10 items left to complete. The cost for well-presented items was around \$350,000. There is a push for a BMX pump track which costs around \$450,000. Commissioner Ferrari suggests the commission needs to prioritize the list. Tabitha does not have the items that were approved for the current year so the item will be discussed next meeting. Commissioner Gonzales responded to Tabitha about budget info. Commissioner Ferrari suggested that the commission should identify certain projects that should be prioritized as a committee. A PowerPoint presentation was also suggested.
- d. Discussion and possible action regarding the community gardens
 - a. Commissioner Ferrari presented regarding the Community gardens. He has had several conversations with constituents both positive and negative comments. Negative comments included the price of the gardens and the waiting time was too long. Ferrari reported on ideas to expand community gardens. There are around 30 sites with a waitlist for every site. (3 to 5 years). He suggests raising the prices because people are abandoning the parks every year. Commissioner Ferrari motioned to review the expenses of the community garden with potential action to decrease the fee, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales. Motion Passed. Commissioner Ferrari wants to place parks in Sylvan Park, Smiley Park, Texonia Park, Brookside Garden, and Ford Park as possible locations. Commissioner Ferrari motions to add more community gardens, seconded by Wells and added to the project list.
- e. Discussion and possible action regarding Commissioner park assignments (Attachment B)
 - a. Commissioner Gonzales reported that the Community Park was well maintained, with no trash, happy kids, and well-groomed. At Crafton, park Vice Chair Wells saw that the park was nice and liked the ponds at Ford Park.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding Commissioner Ferrari's potential scheduling conflict with future meetings
 - a. Commissioner Ferrari will be gone on September 9th, October 14th, November 11th, and multiple other dates. Vice-chair Wells reports that a commissioner cannot miss over 3 meetings without an excuse. Commissioner Ferrari motions to be excused, motion passes.

7. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- **Budget Subcommittee**

8. ADJOURNMENT TO REGULAR MEETING on Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 4:30 P.M.