

## MINUTES

### GARDEN GROVE PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMISSION

The Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission of the City of Garden Grove was called to order in the Teen Wreck Hall at Eastgate Park, 12001 Saint Mark Street, on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 5:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: (6) COMMISSIONERS HOROWITZ, MALCOLM,  
MARCARIO, PICCIRILLO, TORTOLANO, WALLIN

ABSENT: (0)

ALSO PRESENT: Community Services Supervisor, Janet Pelayo, Community Services Supervisor, John Montanchez, Recording Secretary, Sugeiry Reynoso

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Horowitz led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

#### 1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC

None.

#### 2. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.a. It was moved by Commissioner Malcolm, seconded by Commissioner Piccirillo and carried by unanimous vote of those present that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission meeting held May 12, 2011 be and hereby are received and filed.

#### 4. SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Janet Pelayo informed the Commission that Gary Lazenby was appointed by City Council to serve on another Commission and opened the election process of new Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioner Horowitz motioned to nominate Commissioner Piccirillo for Chair, seconded by Commissioner Malcolm. The motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: Commissioners: Horowitz, Malcolm, Marcario, Piccirillo,  
Tortolano, Wallin  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Commissioner Tortolano motioned to nominate Commissioner Marcario for Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Piccirillo.

AYES: Commissioners: Horowitz, Malcolm, Marcario, Piccirillo,  
Tortolano, Wallin  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

5.a. PROPOSITION 84 UPDATE

Janet Pelayo reported that the proposal for the Proposition 84 Grant was due and submitted to the State Parks Office on July 1, 2011. Ms. Pelayo pointed out that if awarded this \$5 million grant, it would go toward the Brookhurst Triangle Park and Trail Project. The State will notify the City in 2012 whether or not it will be awarded the grant funding.

5.b. CAPITAL PROJECTS

5.b.1. Skate Spot Update

John Montanez reported that the City is looking for an alternate location to place the second skate spot. West Haven Park is no longer an option due to a high response from residents opposed to a skate spot at this location. Woodbury Park has now been identified as a potential site for the second skate spot, but before confirming this location, a neighborhood meeting will take place.

5.b.2. Atlantis Splash Pad Update

John Montanez reported that construction of the splash pad is underway at Atlantis Park. The project is expected to be completed in approximately three months. Mr. Montanez addressed Commissioner Wallin's concerns regarding the cost of maintaining the splash pad and safety during operational hours. Mr. Montanez assured Commissioner Wallin that staff will research the cost of maintenance and safety concerns.

5.b.3. Senior Center Restrooms

Janet Pelayo informed the Commissioners that the H. Louis Lake Senior Center restrooms will be remodeled in order to comply with ADA requirements. This project will be made possible through CDBG funds. Staff will meet with Public Works Department next week and begin phase one of the project, which includes the architectural design.

5.b.4. Keel Park Outdoor Fitness Equipment

Janet Pelayo shared pictures of the opening of the Keel Park Outdoor Fitness Equipment. The area showed all the fitness equipment being utilized just moments after the equipment was open for public use.

5.c. COMMUNITY THEATERS

5.c.1. GEM Theater Fire

Janet Pelayo informed the Commission about a recent fire that took place at the GEM Theater. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. The production, *Chicago* was moved to the Festival Amphitheater, and for the remainder of the year the GEM Theater will be dark.

5.c.2. Orange County Shakespeare at Festival Amphitheater

Janet Pelayo distributed the schedule of productions scheduled at the Festival Amphitheater.

6. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Chair Piccirillo shared a recent event hosted by AYSO Region 59. AYSO hosted flag football and soccer competitions for LPA (Little People of America) at Patton Elementary.

7. MATTERS FROM STAFF

John Montanchez distributed shirts to recently appointed Commissioners and gave a brief overview of the "Parks Make Life Better" branding. Janet Pelayo also mentioned that July is Parks and Recreation month.

8. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:57 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned.

SUGEIRY REYNOSO  
RECORDING SECRETARY