



DRAFT MINUTES
CUPERTINO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Thursday, November 6, 2025

At 7:00 p.m. Chair Swamy called the Regular Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to order in the Quinlan Community Center Conference Room, 10185 N. Stelling Rd., and via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Seema Swamy, Vice Chair Claudio Bono, and Commissioners Sheela Sreekanth and Carol Stanek. Absent: Commissioner Gopal Kumarappan.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Subject: Parks and Recreation Department Teen Programs
Recommended Action: Receive a presentation on Teen Commission, Youth Activity Board, and Recreation Event Volunteers.

Recreation Coordinator Robert Kaufman, President of the Youth Activity Board Saanj Rao, Chair of the Teen Commission Anushree Misra and President of Recreation Event Volunteers Joyce Chung gave a presentation.

Commissioners asked questions and made comments on the presentation, which staff and the presenters responded to.

2. Subject: Parks and Recreation Department Outdoor Recreation Division
Recommended Action: Receive a presentation on the Parks and Recreation Department Outdoor Recreation Division.

Recreation Manager Molly James, Recreation Coordinator Jason Bisley, Recreation Coordinator and Naturalist D'Miles Salmon, and Recreation Coordinator Kayla Nakamoto gave a presentation.

Commissioners asked questions and made comments on the presentation, which staff and the presenters responded to.

Chair Swamy opened the public comment period, and seeing no one, closed the public

comment period.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Subject: September 4, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
Recommended Action: Review and approve the September 4, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes.

Chair Swamy opened the public comment period, and seeing no one, closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Bono moved and Sreekanth seconded to approve the September 4, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: Swamy, Bono, Sreekanth, Stanek. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Kumarappan.

POSTPONEMENTS - None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Recreation Manager Sonya Lee shared that Public Works sees no current issues with non-native plants and is working with Grassroots Ecology to replace plants with native species and explore pollinator gardens. She reported that the Monster Mash event was a sellout success and noted the upcoming Teen Speaker Series, featuring topics chosen by the Teen Commission. She also reviewed key holiday events, including Tree Lighting, Breakfast with Santa, Santa Home Visits, Signing Santa, and Senior Center programs. She announced the release of the Winter Recreation Schedule and upcoming city office closures for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving.

Vice Chair Bono commented that the CREST Award event was excellent, well attended, and featured many outstanding community members. Although some commissioners were unable to attend, those present had a great experience.

Chair Swamy noted the strong pool of CREST Award applicants and said it was inspiring to see so many community members doing impactful work, noting that some commissioners couldn't attend but that the event was well organized, enjoyable, and appreciated Sonya Lee's support.

FUTURE AGENDA SETTING - None

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:44 p.m. Chair Swamy adjourned the Regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting.

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