



DRAFT MINUTES
CUPERTINO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Thursday, December 4, 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 Commissioner Sheela Sreekanth.

Absent: Commissioners Gopal Kumarappan and Carol Stanek.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Subject: Parks and Recreation Department Sports and Fitness Division
Recommended Action: Receive a presentation on the Parks and Recreation Department Sports and Fitness Division.

Recreation Manager Alex Corbalis gave a presentation.

Commissioners asked questions which staff responded to.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Subject: November 6, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
Recommended Action: Review and approve the November 6, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes.

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

This item was continued to the next Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting.

POSTPONEMENTS - None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS –

Srida Mishra shared that native plants, though seemingly minor, are an important step toward reducing Cupertino's carbon emissions and could inspire similar sustainability efforts in other cities, and concluded by thanking the audience.

Arnavi Kaebare shared that some of her fondest childhood memories in Cupertino involved walking with her family in local nature preserves and at Blackberry Farm, where she observed bees pollinating flowers and often saw monarch butterflies.

OLD BUSINESS – None**NEW BUSINESS –****3. Subject: Senior Services Subcommittee Update**

Recommended Action: Receive an update on the findings from the Senior Services Subcommittee.

Chair Swamy introduced the item, and summarized the findings of the Senior Services Subcommittee, including:

- Survey results indicating significant concerns related to housing affordability, cost of living, employment opportunities, mobility for some residents, and a declining sense of community among older adults.
- Data showing that over 90% of respondents rated the availability of affordable housing negatively, with many reporting financial strain and housing insecurity.
- Feedback from senior residents highlighting widespread loneliness, loss of social connections, safety concerns, and feelings of being left behind by rapid technological and community changes.
- Identification of social connection as a key area where the City could make a meaningful and near-term impact.
- A proposed intergenerational volunteer program connecting seniors with students to reduce isolation and strengthen community ties.
- Acknowledgment of potential challenges related to program implementation, including background checks, safety, funding, and coordination.
- Plans to return with more concrete recommendations for consideration by the Commission and City Council.

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

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Recreation Manager Alex Corbalis reported that construction on the City's photovoltaic (PV) project would begin December 8 at multiple community facilities, resulting in temporary parking impacts through late December and additional impacts expected in early 2026, with updates to be provided on the City's website. Staff also announced upcoming community and holiday events, reviewed holiday closures for City facilities, and confirmed that the January 1 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was canceled, with the next meeting scheduled for February 5.

Commissioners asked questions which staff responded to.

FUTURE AGENDA SETTING –

Create a consolidated Trails Map that highlights ADA-accessible trail routes, outdoor attractions, and walking tours. The map should provide detailed, family-friendly instructions for self-guided adventures, including public art tours, trail information, QR-code-enabled content, and optional 3D navigation features. (Swamy)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:12 p.m. Chair Swamy adjourned the Regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting.

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