



CITY OF CUPERTINO
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Community Hall
10350 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA
Thursday, November 7, 2019
7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Gopal called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. in the Community Hall, at 10350 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioners present: Gopal Kumarappan, Carol Stanek, Xiangchen Xu, Helen Davis
Commissioners absent: Neesha Tambe
Staff present: Christine Hanel, Kevin Khuu, Molly James, Jeff Ordway, Kim Calame, Whitney Zeller
Guest speakers: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting of September 5, 2019
Commissioner Davis motioned to approve the draft minutes. Commissioner Xu seconded. Motion passed with 3 approvals and 1 abstention.
2. Regular Meeting of October 3, 2019
Commissioner Stanek motioned to approve the draft minutes. Commissioner Davis seconded. Motion passed with 3 approvals and 1 abstention.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

POSTPONEMENTS

None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Commission received an email concerning DOLA agenda item from Sameer Raheja of the Jollyman Dog Owner group.

OLD BUSINESS

3. 2019 Blackberry Farm Season Update

Recreation Coordinator Molly James updated the Commission and shared a presentation on events held at Blackberry Farm this year.

4. 2019 Summer Aquatics Learn-to-Swim Program Update

Recreation Coordinator Jeff Ordway updated the Commission on the 2019 Summer Aquatics Learn-to-Swim program and plans to hold next year's aquatics programs at Blackberry Farm to address staffing issues and facility costs.

5. Dog Off-Leash Area (DOLA) Update

Recreation Supervisor Kim Calame provided an update to the Commission on the Jollyman dog off-leash area. Resident Sameer Raheja shared a presentation with the Commission on the DOLA and the impact of the recent time change with daylight savings. Resident Deepa Mahendraker shared comments on the Jollyman DOLA. The Commission recommended that staff interact with DOLA users monthly to gather feedback throughout the trial period and adjust the hours of the DOLA to accommodate the impact of the time change.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Review and Provide Feedback on the Draft Ethics Protocol

The Commission agreed to send their input to Whitney Zeller by Wednesday, November 13th to be compiled and sent to the City Manager's Office.

7. Status of January 2020 Commission Meeting

The Commission requested to check the availability for rescheduling to January 9th and will discuss at the December 6th regular meeting.

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

8. Receive Monthly Update Reports from:

- Director

Assistant Director Christine Hanel provided the Director's update, including a presentation on 2019 Summer events.

- Commissioners

- Commissioner Stanek attended the Commissioner's Dinner, Pooch Plunge, Sunnyvale Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, and the Council Meeting. Council accepted a feasibility study for the Carmen Ave. bridge over Stevens Creek, which had large community turnout in support.

- Commissioner Davis attended the City Council meeting regarding the Regnart Creek Trail, which was approved and attended the Commissioner's Dinner, as well as the launch of the Via Cupertino shuttle service.

ADJOURNMENT – Vice Chair Gopal adjourned the meeting at 9:10p.m. to the December 5, 2019 meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Whitney Zeller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Whitney" and last name "Zeller" clearly distinguishable.

Whitney Zeller, Administrative Assistant

Parks & Recreation Department

Minutes approved at the December 5, 2019 regular meeting

