

CITY OF CUPERTINO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Teleconference Meeting
Thursday, December 2, 2021
7:00 PM
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stanek called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. via remote teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: Carol Stanek, Xiangchen (Minna) Xu, Sashikala Begur, Gopal

Kumarappan, Neesha Tambe (joined at 7:04 p.m.)

Commissioners absent: None

Staff present: Joanne Magrini, Kevin Khuu, Rachelle Sander

Guest speakers: None

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. <u>Subject:</u> Meeting Minutes for the November 4, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

<u>Recommended Action:</u> Review and approve the minutes for the November 4, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

Chair Stanek amended the minutes to include the following:

- 1. City Council had two parts to their resolution in March 2021 for Rancho Rinconada. Part A is not completed, to allow for engagement in long term planning of aquatic facilities in the City.
- 2. Had asked Kevin Davis if the board would be willing to work with the City to find a mutually beneficial path forward and Kevin confirmed.

Commissioner Kumarappan motioned to approve the minutes with the amended language included. Commissioner Begur seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

POSTPONEMENTS

None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Lisa Warren, Cupertino Resident, inquired about the Lawrence Mitty project and asked the Commission to help move the project forward.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Eleven written communications were sent to the Commission for item number 2 on the agenda and will be included for the record.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2. <u>Subject:</u> Commission Proposals for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 City Work Program <u>Recommended Action:</u> Provide a list of proposed items for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 City Work Program, identifying the top three proposals, limited to no more than five.

Joanne Magrini, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented on this item.

Louise Saadati, Cupertino Resident, spoke about future DOLAs, specifically a little dog DOLA at Linda Vista Park. Mentioned other possible DOLAs at Hoover, Creekside, and Memorial Park. Requested future DOLAs as a high priority project for FY 2022-2023.

Deepa Mahendraker, Cupertino Resident, supported more DOLAs in the City, including Hoover and Memorial Park and asked the Commission to add this item to their workplan for next fiscal year.

Chair Stanek announced the eleven written communications submitted to the Commission that are in support of additional DOLAs as a work program proposal.

The Commission suggested and discussed their work program proposals. Commissioner Kumarappan proposed DOLAs expansion, Mental Health, and a project to collaborate with CUSD and FUHSD students such as the Labyrinth project. Commissioner Begur proposed creation of a basketball court, DOLAs expansion, incorporation of Nature Play in parks. Commissioner Tambe proposed creation of a meditation and healing garden to support Mental Health, the long-term strategic plan, to formalize a partnership with West Valley Community Services to provide programs to serve impacted residents, to create a dashboard or list with the status of all projects being worked on by the Commission and Parks and Recreation Department, and to create a partnership with Deep Cliff Golf Course. Vice Chair Xu proposed the

incorporation recreational opportunities for older teens, adults, and seniors at parks, such as Nature Play or to support Mental Health. Chair Stanek proposed the DOLAs expansion, a Labyrinth or similar project, and reviewing the Field Use Agreement at Regnart Elementary and the transition as the school closes.

The Commission voted to narrow down the proposed projects and continued the discussion. Commissioner Begur and Commissioner Tambe requested more information from staff on the list, including the estimated total staff time that could be involved and the time duration that could be associated with each project.

The Commission narrowed down the potential projects to the following:

- Enable Additional DOLA Locations
- Mental Health/Partnerships with WVCS
- Labyrinth Program or Similar
- Long Term Strategic Plan
- Field Use Agreement of Regnart Elementary

The Enable Additional DOLA Locations, Labyrinth Program or Similar, and the Field Use Agreement of Regnart Elementary earned the most votes from each Commissioner.

This item will be continued at the next Commission meeting.

3. <u>Subject:</u> Consider Canceling the January 2022 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

<u>Recommended Action:</u> Discuss and cancel the January 2022 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Joanne informed the Commission about the upcoming holiday closure and suggested having a special meeting instead in the middle or end of January. The Commission agreed with the suggestion.

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

4. Subject: Monthly Update Reports.

<u>Recommended Action:</u> Receive monthly update reports from the Director of Parks and Recreation and Commissioners.

Joanne provided the Director's update. Vice Chair Xu had attended the Mayor's meeting and shared the following:

- Library Commission: encouraged residents to donate to the Library Expansion Project and the donor wall.

- Bicycle Pedestrian Commission: suggested getting other Commissions, school groups, or small organizations such as homeowners to be involved in a bike related project or trail project.

COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE AT UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Commissioners to attend the upcoming Mayor's meetings as follows:

- December 8: Commissioner Tambe

FUTURE AGENDA SETTING

Chair Stanek reviewed the upcoming items for the January special meeting:

- FY 2022-2023 Work Program Proposals
- Presentation from the Youth Activity Board

After confirming the logistics, Staff will poll and coordinate with the Commission to determine the special meeting date for January.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Stanek adjourned the meeting at 10:08 p.m. to the February 3, 2022 meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kevin Khuu, Management Analyst

Parks and Recreation Department

Minutes approved at the February 3, 2022 regular meeting