

City of Corona

*400 S. Vicentia Ave.
Corona, CA 92882*

Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Council Chambers - 6:00 p.m.



**Matthew Olsen, Chair
Stacie Bass, Vice Chair
Amie Kinne, Commissioner
Tom Munoz, Commissioner
Michele Wentworth, Commissioner**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Olsen called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Bass.

ROLL CALL

Present 4 - Chair Matthew Olsen, Vice Chair Stacie Bass, Commissioner Tom Munoz, and Commissioner Michele Wentworth

Absent 1 - Commissioner Amie Kinne

MEETING MINUTES

1. APPROVAL OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2024

A motion was made by Commissioner Munoz, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, that these Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Olsen, Vice Chair Bass, Commissioner Munoz, and Commissioner Wentworth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Kinne

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. DEVELOPER IMPACT FEE FUND BALANCE/BOND REPAYMENT FOR JANUARY 2024

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bass, seconded by Commissioner Wentworth, that this Report be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Olsen, Vice Chair Bass, Commissioner Munoz, and Commissioner Wentworth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Kinne

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

YOUTH UPDATE

Kaleb Truchan, Mayor's Youth Council, provided an update. The Mayor's Youth Council was able to tour the Fire Department's Headquarters, hosted by Chief Young. They learned about the different stations, roles, fire prevention, medical safety and youth volunteers.

The Commissioners thanked Kaleb for the update. They also had questions.

Kaleb provided clarification.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Donna Finch, Community Services Director, introduced the Community Services Report. She then turned it over to Jason Lass, Recreation Manager, for an update on the recreation division.

Mr. Lass began his presentation with a list of upcoming events:

- 3/13 - Senior Center: Corona Art Association Mural Unveiling
- 3/14 - CCC: No Bake Pi (3.14) Activity
- 3/15 - Adaptive: St. Patrick's Day Social
- 3/15 - CCC: Kid's Night Out
- 3/16 - Corona Beautiful: Arbor Day at Historic Civic Center
- 3/16 - CHPS: Historic Civic Center Docent Tour
- 3/16 - Inspire: Luck of the Irish Bingo Night at the CCC (Co-Sponsorship)
- 3/16 - Senior Center: Trip to La Brea Tar Pits & Norton Simon Museum
- 3/23 - Guided Hikes: Wildflower Expedition
- 3/23-3/24 - Utilities: Household Hazardous Waste Collection at City Hall
- 4/1-4/5 - Adventure Camp - Spring Break

The Circle City Center is piloting an Indoor Pickleball Program. These games will be held Tuesday mornings from 8:30am - 11:30am in the CCC gym. The cost is \$3 per person for players aged 14 and up.

February 27th - 29th City staff attended the annual CPRS conference in Palm Springs. They attended informational sessions and presentations on a variety of recreational topics, tried out playground structures and also got a chance to look at some digital solutions. They also had the opportunity to go visit the new Downtown Park, which Rios Inc. designed.

Mr. Lass then turned it over to Moses Cortez, Facilities, Parks and Trails Manager, for an update on the Facilities, Parks and Trails Division.

Mr. Cortez began his presentation with an update on Guided Hikes. These hikes provide the community with a captivating learning experience about our local National Forest. The Park Rangers have hosted 4 hikes with a total of 64 participants.

Upcoming hikes are as follows:

- 4/27 - Bird Walk - Hagador Trail
- 5/18 - History Hike - Tin Mine Canyon Trail
- 6/15 - Reptile Round Up - Hagador Trail

On Saturday, February 24th the City held a Corona Beautiful Community Clean-up Event on Sixth Street. This event brought in 98 volunteers. These volunteers walked

from City Park to Main St. and back and collected 660 gallons of trash and debris. The next event is an Arbor Day Celebration at the City Hall South Lawn on Saturday, March 16th.

On Saturday, February 17th the City hosted a City Park Pop-up Event. The purpose of this event was to provide community outreach and engagement towards our City Park Master Plan. Rios Inc. provided staff with 3D models for the three different designs: Corona Crown, Flowering Fields and Nature Wonderloop. Residents were asked for feedback regarding the different designs. 104 surveys were collected. A final design concept will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission at the April Meeting.

Mr. Cortez shared with the Commission that last year's Holiday Tree now has a permanent home at Jameson Park. This Cypress Tree measures approximately 40 feet tall and is planted in a 108" box. Please stop by Jameson Park and enjoy this new addition.

Mr. Cortez then turned it over to Ms. Finch for an update on upcoming agenda items. On March 28th at the City Council Spring Financial Workshop staff will present *Special Events Enhancements* and an *Urban Forest Update*. The *City Park Operations Plan* and *Final Design Concept* will be presented to the Commission on April 9th. The Commission will also receive a *Parks CIP Presentation* on April 9th. On May 15th staff will present the *Performing Arts Feasibility Phase II Update* at the Study Session Meeting.

The Commissioners had questions and comments. The Commissioners requested updates on the Urban Forest Management Plan, a policy update and changes regarding unneutered dogs at dog parks and policy changes with the restrooms at the Circle City Center. They also requested to be able to attend the annual CPRS conference.

Mr. Lass, Mr. Cortez and Ms. Finch provided clarification.

4. SHERIDAN PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Moses Cortez, Facilities, Parks and Trails Manager, Lynh Nguyen, Assistant Project Manager, and Caroline Bustos, Parks Planner, all provided a presentation on Sheridan Park Improvements. Topics of the presentation included: Project Description, Funding Source, Process and Goals, Vendor 1, Vendor 2, Vendor 3 and Next Steps. The Commissioners were asked to choose their favorite playground.

The Commissioners had questions and comments and ended up choosing a combination of Vendor 1 and Vendor 3 with modifications.

Mr. Cortez, Ms. Bustos and Ms. Nguyen provided clarification.

COMMISSION MEMBER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Munoz congratulated Ms. Finch on her promotion to Community Services Director. He also shared that he went to see The Wizard of Oz, put on by OBC Theater. Commissioner Munoz would like to see more murals put up throughout the City.

Commissioner Wentworth thanked the staff for their hard work. She would like to see more public announcements regarding events in the City. Commissioner Wentworth also congratulated Ms. Finch on her promotion.

Vice Chair Bass thanked the staff for their hard work making the parks a lively place. She also congratulated Ms. Finch.

Chair Olsen shared his Commissioners sentiments. He loves the work being put into the parks. He would also like to see more announcements on upcoming events and past accomplished events. Chair Olsen congratulated Ms. Finch on her appointment as the Community Services Director.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Olsen adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m. The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2024.

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MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

