

City of Corona

400 S. Vicentia Ave.
Corona, CA 92882



Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers- 6:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Chris Miller, Chair
Elizabeth McCreary, Vice Chair
Joe Almasy, Commissioner
Dominick Verrette, Commissioner
Michele Wentworth, Commissioner

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair McCreary led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner's present: Almasy, McCreary, and Verrette

Commissioner's absent: Miller and Wentworth

Vice Chair McCreary welcomed new Commissioner Verrette.

MEETING MINUTES

The approval of meeting minutes was tabled to next meeting due to lack of a quorum.

1. Approval of the May 13, 2020 meeting minutes.

Attachments: [May minutes](#)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

4th of JULY CELEBRATION RECOGNITION

Mr. Lass provided an overview of the digital July 4th Celebration. Seven videos were posted on social media with 68,875 streamed minutes. The July 4th content had 53,310 social media reaches. Mr. Lass announced the winners of the Yankee Doodle Dog contest and the Home and Business decorating contest. Vice Chair McCreary asked if the budget from July 4th would be rolled into next year's event. Mr. Montgomery-Scott replied it will not as it was a savings to the Department to help with loss in revenue due to COVID. Vice Chair McCreary enjoyed the July 4th digital content. Commissioner Almasy thanked Mr. Montgomery-Scott and staff for their work.

YOUTH UPDATE

No report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Park Updates

No report.

B. Library and Recreation Services Updates**2. Library and Recreation Services Updates**

Attachments: [LARS COVID Update 7-8-20](#)

Ms. Lenning reviewed the County is in accelerated stage 2 of the statewide reopening plan. The Library remains closed but is offering a "Click, Park, Pick-Up" program to check out library material. Summer at Your Library will continue online and 600 have enrolled. Ms. Lenning announced the Library received a grant for a Zoom subscription to provide video meeting for book clubs, Teen Advisory Council, Volunteer Orientation and other programming opportunities. LaRS Where You Are continues to create virtual content for Story Time, Adaptive, Kids Club, and Youth Sports. The Library is tentatively scheduled to reopen on July 13th by appointment only. Appointments can be scheduled on CivicRec. Staff have developed a COVID code of conduct and face coverings and social distancing is required.

Mr. Lass provided an update for Recreation Services. Summer offerings include the opening of Splash Pads, Adventure Camp, Swim Lessons, Youth Sports Camps, and online classes. Adventure Camp will run from June 22nd through August 7th with capacity of 60. Thus far, 36 participants attended the first week.

Swim lessons began June 29th with a 1-3 staff to student ratio. Next week, Youth Sports begins a youth sports skills and drills for basketball, indoor soccer, volleyball and flag football. Contract Classes is offering six online classes.

Mr. Lass discussed the virtual events and activities offered by Library and Recreation Services. The City hosted a digital Fourth of July Celebration and will offer Agents of Discovery and BioBlitz. Agents of Discovery, a mobile gaming activity is funded by a grant from the California Parks and Recreation Society. In September, Recreation Services will offer the BioBlitz nature exploration in the parks provided by the National Recreation Parks Association. In October, The Wall that Heals is a Vietnam Memorial and will be displayed at Santana Park. Staff are currently planning the Halloweekend and Holiday Lighting Celebration.

Mr. Lass reported staff continue to assist with the city-wide COVID response assistance. Staff work the COVID information call center, made

300 calls to seniors, and distributed food to 200 families and 600 residents. Part-time staff continue the duties of the Day Porter Program by sanitizing of essential facilities. Lastly, staff continue to provide park monitoring twice a week.

Commissioner Almasy asked who provided the food distribution. Mr. Lass stated Feeding America and food distribution is the second Wednesday of the month. Vice Chair McCreary asked how online courses were advertise. Ms. Lenning stated through virtual LaRS, social media, press released, LaRS Insider, and Inner Circle News. Vice Chair McCreary asked when Contract Classes would resume and Mr. Lass stated we are waiting for direction from the County. Staff will be ready to resume Classes when approved.

Vice Chair McCreary asked if there could be a soft opening of the passive park, Serra Bella. Mr. Montgomery-Scott stated the issue is public gathering are not allowed. Vice Chair McCreary would like an update on the City's website when the park is open for passive use.

3. Recreation Services May and June 2020 Participation Report (received and filed)

Attachments: [Recreation Services May and June 2020 Participation Report](#)

4. Development Impact Fee Fund Balance/Bond Repayment April & May 2020 (received and filed)

Attachments: [DIF Fund Balance Report April & May 2020](#)

COMMISSION CALENDAR

COMMISSION MEMBER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Verrette is pleased with the efforts the Library and Recreation Services staff have been doing to provide virtual content and food distribution services.

Commissioner Almasy commend staff for their work and for being innovative. He asked if the LaRS on the Go has been out. Ms. Lenning stated just recently with the Agents of Discovery.

Vice Chair McCreary applauded staffs efforts in providing services to the community during this difficult time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

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