# **City of Corona**

400 S. Vicentia Ave. Corona, CA 92882

# **Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes - Final**

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Council Chambers- 6:00 p.m.



#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner McCreary led the pledge of allegiance.

# **RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

Chair McCreary was recognized for her two-years of service on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Accessing the Skyline Trail, presentation by Jacob Rodriguez, Recreation & Lands Officer for the Cleveland National Forest at the Trabuco Ranger District.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioner present: McCreary, Munoz, Verrette, Weiny, and Wentworth

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#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Vice Chair Wentworth had one correction to the meeting minutes in her Commissioner's Report section of the minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Weiny, seconded by Commissioner Verrette to approve the June 8, 2021 meeting minutes.

Ayes: McCreary, Munoz, Verrette, Weiny, and Wentworth

Noes: None motion passes

**1.** Approval of the May 11, 2021 meeting minutes.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Council Member Steiner addressed the Commission regarding Chair McCreary's departure and service as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner.

Ms. Tran addressed the Commission regarding the backstop at Village Park.

Mr. Morgan addressed the Commission regarding the US Forestry Service presentation and the Director's report.

#### YOUTH UPDATE

Rylee Townsend presented updates on the Teen Advisory Council (TAC). TAC board

elections were held and Nandana Menon was elected president, Rylee Townsend as vice president, Shivani Mohapatra as secretary, and Arushi Kalam as social media advisor.

TAC participated in the following events. On June 10th, the opening of Story Walk at Mountain Gate Park and Color of the Town on June 19th at the Circle City Center. They will also host a Murder Mystery on July 30th.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

## 2. Director's Report

Dr. Turner presented the Director's report. She reviewed the Covid re-opening updates that apply to indoor and outdoor settings. Dr. Turner announced the field allocation process is underway. Requests were due the first Monday in June for Fall/Winter and the first Monday in December for Spring/Summer. Dr. Turner also reviewed the Summer field maintenance schedule which was also been provided to the youth sports leagues.

Dr. Turner discussed the Park Ambassador and Scouts Project. On July 31st, there will be a tree planting event at Jameson Park. Community Services Department is recruiting Park Ambassadors and the program will begin in the Fall. Dr. Turner announced the final names of the Wooly Mammoth Naming Contest which include King Tusk, Tusky, Cory, Elle May, Monte Shaggy, and Tembo. The final name selection will be decided by City Council.

Summer Reading At Your Library program "Reading Colors Your World" began on June 1st and runs through July 31st. She encouraged youth of all ages and adults to sign up for the program. Community Services Department has proposed changes to recreation fees by folding in the CivicRec convenience fee in to the price of classes, rentals, and, activities. The proposal will be presented to the City Council on June 16th. Dr. Turner also announced the City Youth Scholarship Program and Corona-Norco Unified School District Parent Center Camp Scholarship program. These scholarships will help youth gain access to City recreation programs including summer camps, sports, and various recreation classes.

Dr. Turner gave an update on the July 4th Celebration. The event includes the Main Street Parade beginning at 9 a.m. followed by the Festival and Firework show beginning at 5 p.m. Lastly, the new Fiscal Year 21/22 budget is scheduled for final adoption at the June 16th City Council meeting.

The Commission is supportive of and pleased to see a new Youth Scholarship Program.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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- **3.** Developer Impact Fee Fund Balance/Bond Repayment for 4/30/21 (receive and file).
- **4.** Recreation Services May 2021 Participation Report (receive and file).

#### **COMMISSION MEMBER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Commissioner Weiny attended a District 2 Town Hall meeting with Council Member Daddario at the American Legion.

Commissioner Munoz attended an antique and collectables fair at the Corona Heritage Park. He highlighted all the many offerings at the Heritage Park.

Commissioner Verrette attended the Vegan Market Depot. He is pleased to see the City offering a Recreation Scholarship program and stated the Leela Project would like to partner to support the program.

Vice Chair Wentworth is excited about the Park Ambassador program as she was the original Park Ambassador. She met with the pickleball members and reported the sport is expanding and so is the need for more courts. She attended the field allocation meeting. She reported the youth sports leagues stated their budgets would be greatly impacted if there was a fee increase to field use. She is pleased there will not be a change to their fees.

Chair McCreary made her departing remarks and thanked the Commission, Dr. Turner, staff, and Rylee Townsend for their hard work.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No announcements.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Rollcall

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