



CITY OF MERCED

Merced Civic Center
678 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

Minutes Recreation & Parks Commission

Monday, April 28, 2025

5:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner HOLLOWAY called the Meeting to order at 5:51 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Member April Holloway, Member Walter Smith, Member Lehuanani Rodriguez, and Sabrina Abong

Absent: 3 - Member Joseph Bauer, Member Valente Huitron, and Member Abraham Lopez

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Clerk's Note: No Public Comment

E. REPORTS

E.1. SUBJECT: Parks & Community Services Department will Present Fiscal Year 25-26 Budget Process, Projections, and Adjustments to the Recreation & Parks Commission.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Director Jensen will provide an update on the Department proposed budget adjustments for Fiscal Year 25/26.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only-no action required

Director of Parks and Community Services Chris JENSEN provided a report on projected budget adjustments, due to budget decreases, and the Parks and Community services department mission, goals, and objectives.

Clerk's Note: No Commissioner comments.

Clerk's Note: There was no formal vote taken, item was for information only.

E.2. SUBJECT: Review Youth Center Program Quarterly Reports in

Consideration of use of the Facility as a Service Provider.**REPORT IN BRIEF**

Youth Service Providers have submitted the attached reports to communicate program efforts to the Recreation and Parks Commission in consideration of their use of the facility as a Service Provider. These quarterly reports reflect the efforts made to program in the Youth Center awarded to each Provider for the current fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION

Information Only

Director of Parks and Community Services Chris JENSEN provided quarterly reports to commission from Youth Service Providers.

Clerks Note: No Commissioner Minutes

Clerks Note: There was no formal vote taken, item was for information only.

F. BUSINESS**F.1.**

SUBJECT: Requesting Consideration of Staff Recommendation for Amending Service Agreements for Use of Central Youth Center by Restorative Justice League and Challenged Family Resource Center and Use of McNamara Youth Center by LifeLine CDC for an additional Three-Year Term with the Potential to Extend Two More, Not to Exceed 5 Years in Total.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Consider Recommendation to amend service agreement for use of Central Youth Center by Restorative Justice League and Challenged Family Resource Center and use of McNamara Youth Center by LifeLine CDC for a Three-Year Term with the potential to extend two additional years for a not to exceed 5-year term.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving a service agreement with Restorative Justice League for youth programming at the Central Youth Center for a three-year term; and,

B. Approving a service agreement with Challenged Family Resource Center for youth programming at the Central Youth Center for a three-year

term; and,

C. Approving a service agreement with Lifeline CDC for youth programming at the McNamara Youth Center for a three-year term

D. Authorizing the City Manager or Deputy City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

Director of Parks and Community Services Chris JENSEN introduced recommendation to amend service agreements with Restorative Justice League and Challenged Family Resource Center and Use of McNamara Youth Center by LifeLine CDC for an additional Three-Year Term.

Clerk's Note: No commissioner comments.

A motion was made by Member Holloway, seconded by Member Rodriguez, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Holloway, Member Smith, Member Rodriguez, and Abong

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Bauer, Member Huitron, and Member Lopez

F.2.

SUBJECT: Approving Request from the Chance Dobbins Sr. Charity for the Co-Sponsored Rental Rate for the Merced Senior Community Center for Club 67 Monthly Dances

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a request for the co-sponsored rate for the rental of the Merced Senior Community Center by the Chance Dobbins Sr. Charity to host Club 67 monthly dances on one Friday per month.

RECOMMENDATION

Recreation and Parks Commission - Adopt a motion approving the request for monthly rentals of the Merced Senior Community Center for Club 67 dances at the co-sponsored rental rate.

Clerk's Note: Agenda item F.2 was not heard at this meeting due to technical issues. Item will be placed at the next Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting.

F.3.

SUBJECT: Request to Add Item to Future Agenda

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of Recreation and Parks Commission to request that an item be placed on a future Boards/Commissions agenda for initial

consideration by the Recreation and Parks Commission.

Commissioner ABONG requested an update on Kiddieland renovations.

F.4.

SUBJECT: Commission Comments

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides an opportunity for the Chair and/or Member(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the Recreation and Parks Commission and to make a brief announcement on future community events and/or activities. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body under this section.

Commissioner HOLLOWAY would like to thank the Cub Scouts for planting a tree in honor of her sister at Mareno Park. She would also like to recognize Parks and Community Service Staff for their time and their support.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

A motion was made by Member Smith, seconded by Abong, that this Regular Meeting be adjourned. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 0

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Bauer, Member Huitron, and Member Lopez