



CITY OF MERCED

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

Minutes Recreation & Parks Commission

Monday, January 23, 2023

5:30 PM

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The Recreation and Parks Commission meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM.

Present: 2 - Member Justin Anderson, and Member April Holloway

Absent: 0

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

This matter was approved

Present: 5 - Member Justin Anderson, Member April Holloway, Member Joseph Bauer, Member Yesenia Curiel, and Member Valente Huitron

Absent: 1 - Member Walter Smith

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public who wish to speak on any matter not listed on the agenda may speak during this portion of the meeting and will be allotted 3 minutes. State law prohibits the Board/Commission from acting at this meeting on any matter raised during the public comment period. Members of the public who wish to speak on a matter that is listed on the agenda will be called upon to speak during discussion of that item.

E. REPORTS

E.1.**SUBJECT: Presentation on Parks & Community Services Proposal to First 5 Merced County in Response to the Safe Play Initiative**

REPORT IN BRIEF

In response to the First 5 of Merced County’s Safe Play Initiative, Parks and Community Services proposed playground installations at either General Vang Pao Park or Community Park 42. The goal of the Safe Play Initiative is to increase access to parks and playgrounds within Merced County by eliminating barriers to park access for children and their caretakers. The theme of the proposal is to increase access to playgrounds by building playgrounds that are accommodating to youth of all abilities and caretakers of multiple generations.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only

Clerk’s Note: No formal vote was taken, item was information only.

E.2.**SUBJECT: Update on Sign Installations at Senior Center, Mini Parks, Neighborhood Park and Sports Complex.**

REPORT IN BRIEF

Update on the sign installation for Merced Senior Center, Nannini Youth Sports Complex, Kirk Wright Memorial Playground, Little Angels Playground, and Staff Sgt. Frank J. Gasper Playground.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only

Clerk's Note: Information only - no formal vote taken

E.3.

SUBJECT: McNamara Park LED Lighting Upgrades For Soccer Fields and Skate Park.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Update on the lighting upgrades at McNamara Park. Upgrades are being sought for turf soccer fields, grass soccer fields, and the skate park.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only

E.4.

SUBJECT: Update on Department of Parks and Community Services Winter Programs

REPORT IN BRIEF

Update on Parks and Community Services winter programs and operations.

RECOMMENDATION

Information Only

F. BUSINESS

F.1.

SUBJECT: Review of Proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report to be Used by Lessee's to Report Program Efforts to Commission in Consideration of their use of the Facility as a Lessee.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Staff are requesting Commission's support of the proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report to be used by Lessee's to report program efforts to Parks and Community Services Staff and the Recreation and Parks Commission in consideration of their use of the facility as a Lessee.

RECOMMENDATION

Recreation and Parks Commission - Adopt a motion: B: The implementation of the proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report with recommended revisions.

A. Adopt a motion supporting the implementation of the proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report to be used by lessee's.

Or

B. Adopt a motion supporting the implementation of the proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report with recommended revisions.

Or

C. Deny support for implementing the proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report.

Adopted Motion with recommendation and revisions

A motion was made to select business Item "B," supporting the implementation of the proposed Youth Center Lessee Quarterly Report with recommended revisions .

The motion carried by the following vote:

Motioned by Member Anderson, Seconded by Chairman Huitron

Aye 5 - Member Anderson, Chairman Huitron, Member Holloway, Member Bauer, Member Curiel

No 0-

Aye: 5 - Member Anderson, Member Holloway, Member Bauer, Member Curiel, and Member Huitron

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Member Smith

G. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.