



CITY OF MERCED

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

Minutes Recreation & Parks Commission

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

5:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair CARDONA called the Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Clerk's Note: Commissioner ANDERSON arrived to the meeting at 5:37 PM.

Present: 6 - Ralph Morris, Eric Moore, Chairperson Norma Cardona, Valente Huitron, Justin Anderson and Anthony Martinez

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Yesenia Curiel

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

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. CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT: Recreation and Parks Commission Minutes of October 28, 2019

REPORT IN BRIEF

Recreation and Parks Commission Minutes of October 28, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion approving and filing the Recreation and Parks Commission Minutes of October 28, 2019

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

Aye: 6 - Member Morris
Member Moore
Cardona
Member Huitron
Member Anderson
Member Martinez

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Curiel

F. REPORTS

SUBJECT: Report on Senior Activities and Needs from Senior Citizens, Inc.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Senior Citizens, Inc., President Howard Smith will provide an update on senior activities and discuss needs at the Merced Senior Community Center.

RECOMMENDATION

For information only

Senior Citizens, Inc. President Howard SMITH gave a brief presentation on Senior Center Activities.

Commissioners and Mr. SMITH discussed the need for securing the rear of the Senior Center Building with additional fencing.

Clerk's Note: This item was information only-no formal action was taken.

SUBJECT: Approval of Department Name Change and Fee Schedule Modification

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers the approval of department name change and fee schedule modification.

RECOMMENDATION

Recreation and Parks Commission - Adopt a motion approving the department name change and fee schedule modification.

Parks and Recreation Director CHAVEZ gave a brief presentation on the need for a department name change and fee schedule modification.

Commissioners asked Staff about the current recreation fee schedule and

department costs. Commissioners MOORE and HUITRON suggested raising all Park and Recreation fees 20% to keep up with inflation.

A motion was made by Member Morris, seconded by Member Moore, to approve the Parks and Community Services Department name change to Parks and Recreation, and modify the current fee schedule, and to take the recommendation to City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Morris
Member Moore
Cardona
Member Huitron
Member Anderson
Member Martinez

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Curiel

G. BUSINESS

SUBJECT: Review of Park and Open Space Master Plan Executive Summary

REPORT IN BRIEF

Vice Chair CURIEL will review and discuss the Park and Open Space Master Plan Executive Summary.

RECOMMENDATION

For information only

Chair CARDONA moved the item to a future agenda due to Commissioner CURIEL's absence.

Clerk's Note: This item was for information only-no formal action was taken.

SUBJECT: Recreation and Parks Commission Goals

REPORT IN BRIEF

Chair CARDONA will discuss identifying and developing goals as a commission.

RECOMMENDATION

For information only

Commissioner CARDONA suggested moving the item to a future agenda, but requested Commission feedback.

Commissioner MORRIS spoke in favor of creating goals in order to be a source of new ideas for the Department.

SUBJECT: Request to Add Item to Future Agenda

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of the Boards/Commissions to request that an item be placed on a future Boards/Commissions agenda for initial consideration by the Boards/Commissions.

Commissioner MOORE requests any updates to CP-42 be added to any agenda as it comes up, as he was not able to attend the public meeting that was held.

SUBJECT: Commissioner Comments

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides an opportunity for the Chair and/or Commissioner(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the Boards/Commissions 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 MORRIS asked about the current vacancy on the Commission.

Director CHAVEZ gave an update on staff activities.

Commissioner MOORE stated that as a member of the Rotary club they were ready and willing to help with CP-42 fundraising and groundbreaking.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: The Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM.

A motion was made by Member Huitron, seconded by Member Anderson, to adjourn the regular Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Morris
Member Moore
Cardona
Member Huitron
Member Anderson
Member Martinez

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Curiel