

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CULVER CITY PARKS, RECREATION
AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

January 7, 2025
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Leonard called the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission to order at 7:04 P.M. in Room B45 and B47 at the Culver City Senior Center.

Present: Jane Leonard, Chair
 Crystal Alexander, Vice Chair
 Marci Baun, Commissioner
 Palvi Mohammed, Commissioner
 Maggie Peters, Commissioner

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Pledge of Allegiance

Howie Jacobowitz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Community Announcements from Commissioners/Information Items
from Staff**

Chair Leonard acknowledged the very dangerous situation with the fires going on in the Pacific Palisades and in other areas next to state parks; she asked everyone to heed notifications from fire department and law enforcement; and she discussed smoke and wind advisories and ways to be prepared.

Vice Chair Alexander expressed support for all the firefighters including mutual aid first responders and she discussed a small brush fire near her home noting that she might have to leave the meeting early.

Commissioner Peters reported that her son had attended the Winter Break Sports Basketball Camp, she expressed appreciation that the in-house sports programming was beginning again, and she hoped it would continue.

Responding to inquiry from Commissioner Baun, Ted Stevens, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, agreed to research lane allocation at The Plunge to find out whether drop-in swimming would be allowed and provide information to Commissioner Baun.

Chair Leonard reported seeing people play Sepak Tacraw and others playing a game bouncing a ball off a trampoline in the park on New Year's Day, and she asked people interested in communicating with her to use her Commission email jane.leonard@culvercity.org rather than her personal email.

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Public Comment - Items NOT on the Agenda

Chair Leonard invited public comment.

Adam Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst, indicated that no requests to speak had been received for Items Not on the Agenda.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Adam Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst, indicated that three e-comments and emails had been received by 4:00 P.M.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAUN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

**Approval of Minutes for the Regular Parks, Recreation and
Community Services Meeting of November 21, 2024**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
PETERS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION
AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 21, 2024 AS SUBMITTED.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: BAUN, LEONARD, MOHAMMED, PETERS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: ALEXANDER

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Item C-2

**Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Parks, Recreation
and Community Services Meeting of December 3, 2024**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
PETERS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION
AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 2024 AS SUBMITTED.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

**Recommendation to the City Council to Approve the Parks,
Recreation and Community Service Department's Parks Plan**

Chair Leonard introduced the item.

Jessica Hensen, Olin, expressed appreciation for the diligent work of the Commission on the Parks Plan; discussed detailed comment provided; access to the final version of the Parks Plan; project schedule; engagement to date; process; vision, mission, and goals; plan recommendations; cost and prioritization; information gathering; early ideas; comments received on the draft plan; the final plan; examination of the City's park system; other planning efforts in Culver City; consultation with other City departments; the recently adopted General Plan; information available on the website; survey response; park usage; the draft comment period; incorporation of feedback; comments received about various parks; priorities; highlights; addressing feedback regarding balancing amenities; resilience and drought tolerance; sound and light; removal of the small toddler area proposed for Carlson Park and the pedestrian bridge proposed for Ballona Creek at Lindberg; ensuring Bill Botts would be able to accommodate Little League needs; the Pooch Path at Culver West; providing designated space; increasing facilities for pickleball and tennis; native species; water management; additional opportunity spaces in Culver City; coordination with Metro; proposed architectural improvements; examination of needs and opportunities; potential partnerships; equity; social vulnerability; SB1000 priority neighborhoods; walkability; relationship to the larger park system; ecology; MWEL0 (Model Water Efficient Landscaping Ordinance) the tree canopy; opportunity zones highlighted in the General Plan; addressing areas with park pressure; system and site scale recommendations driven by the vision and goals; providing for the well-being of Culver City residents; Plan goals; actions related to each goal; methods attached to the actions; plan recommendations; amenities; shifting of field setup; proposed increases to racket sports; cost categories; funding sources; partnerships; and next steps.

Chair Leonard invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Commission:

Alicia Ide indicated being a staff member, but speaking on behalf of the Culver Arts Foundation; expressed regrets at not being able to attend the previous meeting; discussed the founding of Culver City by artists and the arts as a significant impact on the economic engine of Culver City; lack of arts facilities in Culver City; professional grade theaters;

the basketorium at Veterans Memorial; lack of outdoor performance spaces in the parks system; the multitude of public arts installations in Culver City; lack of exhibition spaces, art studios, or art making facilities in Culver City; appreciation for inclusion of the arts in the early phases of outreach and the Feasibility Study as well as in the fundamental statement of needs and key priorities; recognition of the importance of active arts participation to individual health and well-being; current programs available for seniors and children; the need to provide programming for all ages; and the role of the Foundation to be a clear voice for what is missing, is sorely needed, and needs to be prioritized.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding a bone flute from the age of Neanderthals illustrating how far back the arts go; concern with the loss of a diamond at Veterans Park; lighting; retention of the two baseball diamonds at Blanco Park; the league field at Syd Kronenthal Park; the number of adults using the fields; data from the financial report on the diamonds at Vets indicating revenue received from only one of the diamonds; people using the diamond without permits; slow pitch; the importance of the field to the community; feedback from those playing kickball that they are fine with being moved to another park; and difficulty of contacting people who are not getting permits.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding appreciation for the responsiveness to Commission comments; clarification that things are in the planning stages and changes can be made as things move forward; cost; the fact that changes have not been made to the parks for a long time; increased construction costs when items are deferred; bond measures to build more courts; and the ability for people to advocate for their priorities.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding length of the process; the importance of creating a solid path forward with the Parks Plan; helping the department prioritize what needs to be done and get grants; time and effort spent getting feedback and incorporating it; appreciation for the excellent community outreach and planning; the collaborative process; and positive changes.

Additional discussion ensued between Ms. Hensen, staff, and Commissioners regarding integration of the parks into every part of the City; a suggestion to tie recommendations to goals

and actions in the report; the importance of making connections to the Master Plan; prioritization of projects and funding; the cost escalator; soft costs; large developments coming into the Fox Hills neighborhood; the state law that took effect in January that changes funding availability until a Certificate of Occupancy is given; development funds; funding allocation; City Council priorities based on the Master Plan; appreciation for the matrix created by the consultants regarding existing amenities; additional racket ball courts; making use of underutilized spaces in the Culver Park area for potential racket sports locations; the Boneyard; clarification regarding the area used for equipment storage; the feeling that parkland should be used for parks; coordination between departments; opportunity areas; and clarification that the Parks Plan includes reclamation of the storage areas.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding appreciation for the incorporation of comments provided to the consultant via email; formatting changes; the addition of equity in the glossary; making a clear statement that PRCS is underfunded and understaffed; the importance of making changes to staffing now to allow the work required of staff to implement the plan to move forward; appreciation for the public input, for careful review by the Commission, and to Olin for their outstanding efforts; and acknowledgement of the amount of work done by Adam Ferguson.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAUN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE PARKS RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S PARKS PLAN.

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Item A-2

(1) Consideration of the Recommendation from the PRCS Commission's "Dual Striped Tennis Courts Ad Hoc Subcommittee" to Not Resurface any Tennis Courts in Culver City with Dual Stripes for Tennis and Pickleball Use, and (2) if desired, Dissolve the "Dual Striped Tennis Courts Ad Hoc Subcommittee"

Adam Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record.

Chair Leonard invited public input.

The following members of the public addressed the Commission:

David Van Slyke, with one minute ceded by Efram Garcia, indicated being an audio engineer; discussed measuring decibel (db) levels before and after sound mitigation; the 13 db reduction in sound; inquiries he has received as to when operating hours would be returned to the previous schedule; he advocated returning back to the schedule that has been in place for many years; he discussed dual striped tennis courts in surrounding municipalities benefitting more residents with collaborative use of the same amount of real estate; the call to action for cooperative use; cost to convert courts; and he presented video of he and some friends playing pickleball at the Culver City High School (CCHS) tennis courts noting that one court was able to accommodate 24 people.

Howie Jacobowitz provided background on himself; indicated that until recently he played on the pickleball courts all the time; expressed frustration with increased demand and decreased hours for court play; discussed advocacy for increased supply; other area cities with dual purpose courts; a proposal he submitted for pay to play at Fox Hills Park; addressing sound and parking issues; a similar program in Westchester; and he asked the Commission to agendize consideration of his proposal.

Chair Leonard received clarification that all Commissioners had received an email of the proposal.

Michael Koss, Westchester Pickleball, provided background on the organization; discussed the growth of pickleball; his 6,000 strong weekly email list of registered players; positive press for his organization; and he indicated that he would be happy to advise or run a facility in Culver City.

Joseph Feinberg indicated being a part of the Culver City pickleball community; discussed positive experiences at the Elenda courts; shortened hours; sound dampening; the importance of being able to play until 10 P.M. for people who work; disbursement of the pickleball community to other areas with the shortened hours; he expressed support for adding more courts in Culver City; and he indicated wanting to be able to play in Culver City again.

Zev Goldstein reported living right next to the pickleball courts; expressed appreciation for efforts to dampen the sound; felt that having play until 10 P.M. was unreasonable as people were staying afterwards and it made it hard to sleep; acknowledged that 8 P.M. made it hard for people hard to get there in time; he felt that 9 P.M. could work; and he acknowledged the fun community.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding feedback from the ad hoc subcommittee; the question of which courts would be dual striped; difficulty finding a way to make dual striped work on the eight Culver City tennis courts; figuring out what days and times to allocate to which activity; the feeling that the better solution to not having enough courts in Culver City was moving forward to get new courts in the Parks Plan built soon; problems that would be caused by dual striping; support for keeping the courts separate; lobbying for funding to move forward with dedicated pickleball courts; the number of courts actually available for tennis players to use; lack of an agreement with Culver City High School (CCHS) to use their tennis courts; tennis courts that are permitted for a certain portion of the time; bureaucracy; building courts under the Metro; and costs to put in courts.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding the fact that before the pandemic there was no pickleball at all; efforts to accommodate the newer sport; concern that the paddle ball community had to make accommodation but the tennis community did not; appreciation for the analysis of the subcommittee; number of usable tennis courts available to the public for walk on play; appreciation for feedback regarding successful noise dampening; lack of resident feedback with the initial deployment of pickleball; the need to build pickleball courts; disagreement that if tennis courts are dual striped, pickleball courts would not be built in the future; the Parks Master Plan; the plan for pickleball space in Culver City Park; the Fox Hills Park recommendation; complaints from the Fox Hills community about noise; shoe-horning in the pickleball community where they can; acknowledgement that pickleball is not going away; volume of players; providing parking; fostering community; support for building facilities as soon as possible; the upcoming budget discussion; and understanding the reasoning behind the recommendation.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding appreciation to the subcommittee members and staff for their work and to the community for their input; a suggestion to reconsider the temporary change of hours of operation at the Elenda courts; the fact that there is no permitted activity for paddle tennis or pickleball courts which are therefore always available for pickup play; carving back spaces in parks; the racket community; the people who created a 501c3 to establish the Boneyard; encouragement to the pickleball community to take active actions to advocate for new courts and communicate with those who created the Boneyard; the suboptimal experience of playing tennis on dual striped courts; and support for creating courts specifically for the pickleball community.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding the temporary limitation on hours for the Elenda courts; acknowledgement of the creative ideas brought forth by the pickleball community; jurisdiction; monetizing space to enhance revenue; costs for sound mitigation at Elenda; paddle tennis courts being used for pickleball; feedback that sound mitigation should be added around other courts; staying within the agenda item; making a recommendation; dissolution of the ad hoc subcommittee; and Commission consensus was achieved from Chair Leonard, Vice Chair Alexander, and Commissioners Baun and Peters to agenda consideration of the hours for the Elenda courts.

Vice Chair Alexander moved to approve the subcommittee recommendation not to recommend dual striping of tennis courts.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding support for moving forward quickly with dedicated pickleball courts; the ability of the public to address the City Council to advocate for creating new pickleball courts; the fact that dual striping can be done successfully; other cities that dual striped tennis courts because they had no other options; the fact that not a lot of cities have paddle tennis courts.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAUN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE AD HOC DUAL STRIPING TENNIS COURTS SUBCOMMITTEE NOT TO RECOMMEND DUAL STRIPING ANY TENNIS COURTS IN CULVER CITY FOR PICKLEBALL USE.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding creative options that could be potentially developed and the ability to agendize creation of an ad hoc subcommittee with a different title.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PETERS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION DISSOLVE THE AD HOC DUAL STRIPING TENNIS COURTS SUBCOMMITTEE.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding public comment received about the Elenda courts.

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Item A-3

Receipt and Filing of Report Regarding the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Adopted Budget; (2) Consideration of Selecting a PRCS Commissioner to Draft a Letter to City Council with Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget Adjustment Recommendations

Adam Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record noting that the PRCS Commission had written a letter to the City Council that included staff requests which were added to the overall budget; he discussed upgrades to the Culver West and Lindberg playgrounds; playground maintenance in the PRCS Operations Budget; the increased CIP (Capital Improvement Project) for playground equipment repair; supportive funding for an in-house youth sports program; the consultant; and money moved into the Parks budget to include woodgrain fiber for the City.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding the personnel budget for Fiesta La Ballona; security costs; maintenance of The Plunge by Public Works; repair and maintenance funding; the Operating and Maintenance Budget; restroom maintenance; jurisdiction over school crossing guards; and the annual invoice from CCUSD paid by Culver City.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding jurisdiction and responsibilities; complexities with City operations; aligning work plans with strategic goals; performance measure goals; the mid-year presentation;

performance measures requested at the end of the fiscal year; the increase from year to year; clarification that goals are not assessed throughout the year; and appreciation for the amount of work that the department handles.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PETERS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION: RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT REGARDING THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENTAL FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 ADOPTED BUDGET.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding appreciation that most of the requested items came through last year; money needed to improve the system; support for writing another letter and for putting the Maintenance Worker I position in again; the need for additional funding for playgrounds; funding the study vs. funding implementation; allowing time for multiple drafts of the letter; playground maintenance; the increase to the CIP for playground repair; ensuring that the CIPs are adequately funded; the Commission decision to put playground repair as part of Maintenance Operations; money put into the Operating Budget for parks specifically earmarked for playgrounds; support for increasing the ongoing Maintenance Budget; continuing increases to costs; maintenance that is constantly deferred; backorders; the aim to catch up; carryover funds; funding of CIPs through reserves; the budget that comes from the General Fund; changes to when funding comes available this year; potential delays; the feeling that maintenance should be part of the Operating Budget rather than the CIP; outreach; in-house youth sports programs; the pilot program; positive feedback from parents; the study; implementing recommended measures from the consultant to get into compliance; and wood fiber.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding including funding for pickleball; community expectation that PRCS comes up with something new once in a while; creating goodwill in the community; partial monetization of pickleball courts; collaboration with Westchester Pickleball; the experience of West Hollywood; doing an RFP (Request for Proposals); easily controlled access possible at Culver City Park; making an investment in the community that will pay for itself; trying a pilot program once the infrastructure is built; identification of overstretched budget and staff; the need for specialized staff for proposed improvements; the need to secure additional funding for general maintenance; the

importance of parks to residents; long-term underfunding of PRCS; the budget process; hiring the Landscape Architect Project Manager; staff needed to manage additional amenities; providing competitive salaries and benefits to employees; having Commissioner Mohammed mentor Commissioner Peters to take over writing the budget letter; momentum of the Parks Plan; making decisions with regard to priorities; projects that do not cost a lot and could make a large impact; the ability to improve accessibility with a DG walking path at Tellefson Park; adding pickleball courts; addressing items in the Parks Plan; aligning with state funds; and inclusion in the budget letter.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding work done to create the current budget process; collaboration with Public Works to provide drinking water in parks; hydration stations; personnel issues; timing; coordination; safety; money requested for the Fire Department that went back to the Finance Department so they would be able deal with FEMA in the event of a large earthquake; overtime; providing a better process for MWEL0; gauging numbers and the current spray system; coordination between in-house irrigation technicians and the MWEL0 consultant; status of additional staffing efforts; a suggestion to request at least one Management Analyst; concern with staffing levels; staff determination of which positions would be most beneficial; grant money; and agreement that Commissioner Peters write the letter.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR ALEXANDER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION: SELECT COMMISSIONER PETERS TO DRAFT A LETTER TO CITY COUNCIL WITH FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSDION AND BRING BACK THE LETTER TO THE COMMISSION FOR REVIEW.

Commissioner Mohammed indicated that Commissioner Peters could reach out to him with questions, but would not be able speak to anyone other than staff about the item.

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Item A-4

**Receipt and Filing of Updates from the Members of the Parks,
Recreation and Community Services Commission Ad Hoc**

Subcommittees and Representative Appointees to Outside Associations and City Committees

Commissioner Peters indicated nothing to report from the California Association of Parks and Recreation Commissioners and Board Members.

Vice Chair Alexander indicated that she had been unable to attend the last meeting of the Culver City Senior Citizens Association Board of Directors as she had been attending the Fees and Studies meeting with Commissioner Mohammed and staff.

Commissioner Baun provided a report on the recent meeting of the Culver City Senior Citizens Association Board of Directors; noted that new Board Members had been elected but old Board Members were present to provide a quorum; discussed computer upgrades; upcoming dances; the Christmas party; and installation of the new Board on December 20, 2024.

Commissioner Mohammed indicated nothing to report on the Summer Olympics Ad Hoc Preparation Subcommittee.

Chair Leonard noted that the Dual Striped Tennis Courts Ad Hoc Subcommittee had been dissolved.

Commissioner Mohammed discussed the meeting to lay the groundwork for the Recreation Programming and Rentals Fee Study Ad Hoc Subcommittee; the short time period; assistance of staff to achieve goals; studies; changing the mindset of staff on how they approach fees; raising funds to put parks in a good position; ground covered at the meeting; and work to be done by other departments before the next meeting.

Vice Chair Alexander discussed the fee study to put PRCS in a better fiscal sustainability model; use of General Fund subsidies for PRCS programs; City Council decisions; format of the Fees and Studies meeting; finding a different model for charging people; looking at old MOUS (Memorandums of Understanding) that charged virtually nothing for fields; rising costs; the demand for general use sports programs for all kids; recognizing the amount of subsidy going on; and understanding concepts of the entire system.

Chair Leonard discussed potential revenue generated to help sustain programming without having to move other General Fund monies around.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PETERS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTEES TO OUTSIDE ASSOCIATIONS AND CITY COMMITTEES.

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Item A-5

Approval of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission 2025 Meeting Calendar; and (2) Receipt and Filing of the Upcoming Agenda Items List, With Adjustments, If Any

Adam Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst, discussed upcoming meeting dates and locations; Work Plan presentations to the City Council that could necessitate cancelling the regular March Commission meeting; he indicated that he would be attending a week-long Revenue Development training; and he proposed holding the meeting later in the month.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding scheduling; the order of Work Plan presentations to the City Council; holding a special meeting; potential final review of the budget letter in March; timing and location; agreement to meet on March 18; staff indicated that they would review the meeting where hours of operation for the Elenda courts was discussed to determine whether the change was agreed upon on a temporary basis and report back to the Commission; upcoming agenda items including reports from subcommittees; the report out on the fees; the presentation to the Commission; Age Friendly; and consideration of the budget letter on the February and March agenda.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BAUN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION 2025 MEETING CALENDAR AND THE UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS LIST, WITH ADJUSTMENTS.

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Public Comment - Items NOT on the Agenda (Continued)

Chair Leonard invited public comment.

Adam Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst, reported that no public comment had been received.

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Items from Commissioners/Staff

Ted Stevens, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, discussed opening the Elenda courts at 8:30 A.M.; staffing; lighting; and easing back into regular hours.

Francisca Castillo, Recreation and Community Services Manager, invited everyone to the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at Veterans Memorial Auditorium on January 11; discussed planned speakers and activities; and she thanked the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration and Juneteenth Celebration Advisory Committee who worked together with staff on the event.

Dani Cullens, Recreation and Community Services Manager, discussed the reopening of The Plunge after the winter closure; positive feedback reported; maintenance performed during the closure; she thanked Public Works for their efforts; announced the Polar Bear Plunge on January 18th; discussed the successful winter camp; basketball clinics; and the upcoming youth basketball league.

Commissioner Peters reported being contacted with an update on the fire in the Pacific Palisades.

Commissioner Baun reported being told that the sound mitigation pads at the pickleball courts were creating standing water around the edges.

Ted Stevens, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, indicated that he would research the matter.

Chair Leonard reported receipt of comments from residents that the sound of the pickleball had been mitigated well, but the rowdiness and screaming of the players was still an issue; she proposed ending play at 9 P.M. rather than 10 P.M.; she questioned what other cities did to mitigate issues; noted the common theme of behavioral issues; and she expressed

appreciation to staff for their work to set up the meeting at the Senior Center.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding the Parks Plan proposal to have the pickleball courts at the top of the parking structure to address issues.


Ted Stevens, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, reported that Aqua Fit classes would be coming back.

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Adjournment


There being no further business, at 10:44 P.M., the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission adjourned to a regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2025.

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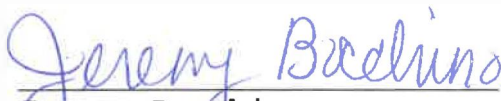
Adam Ferguson
SECRETARY of the Parks, Recreation and
Community Services Commission

APPROVED 3/18/2025



Crystal Alexander
CHAIR of the PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMISSION
Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.



Jeremy Bocchino
CITY CLERK

16 JUNE 2025
Date