

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

December 7, 2021
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Heineman called the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission to order at 7:02 P.M. via Webex.

Present: Kay Heineman, Chair
William Rickards, Vice Chair
Palvi Mohammed, Commissioner
Scott Zeidman, Commissioner

Absent: Khary Cuffe, Commissioner

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Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Mohammed led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Items from Members and Staff

None.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Chair Heineman invited public comment.

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, indicated that no public comment had been received.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

PRCSC - Approval of Minutes for the Regular Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Meeting of November 2, 2021

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR RICKARDS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED BY THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 2, 2021.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: HEINEMAN, MOHAMMED, RICKARDS, ZEIDMAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: CUFFE

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

PRCSC - Receipt and Filing of the Report Regarding a Conceptual Plan for the Revitalization of Media Park

Elaine Warner, Economic Development Project Manager, introduced the item.

Todd Tipton, Economic Development Manager, provided background on the item.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding clarification that the item is informational; the responsibility and perspective of the Commission; and appreciation for work done on the conceptual plan.

Gerdo Aquino, SWA, provided an overview of approved designs and community input received to date; discussed the public meetings; attendance; landscape design; open space; parking; reclaiming space allotted to parking; tree retention; park components; art; the café; and alternate program options.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding concern with making a community decision based-upon the input from several hundred people; eliminating parking; concern with how people will get to the park; dedicated performance space; drawing people to the park; funding; Culver Steps; programming; staffing; alternate uses; the location of the park in Los Angeles; the need for open space; MOVE Culver City; traffic; use of other means of transportation to get to the park; collaboration with the Palms Neighborhood Council; potential grants; transference of the park back to Los Angeles within the next twenty years; cost estimates; becoming a greenspace resource for the area; development and leadership activities taken on by the Parks Department; the Actor's Gang; activating the park; ensuring options are available for children; similarities to Tellefson Park; high density housing in the area; adding interesting play structures; drawing in families; support for the café to serve parents; and support for thinking of the park as a resource for the City's youth.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MOHAMMED AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ZEIDMAN THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT REGARDING THE CONCEPTUAL PLAN FOR REVITALIZATION OF MEDIA PARK.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: HEINEMAN, MOHAMMED, RICKARDS, ZEIDMAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: CUFFE

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Item A-2

PRCSC - [Standing Item; Any or All of the Following Actions, if Desired] (1) 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; (2) Formation of New and/or Dissolution of Existing Ad Hoc Subcommittee(s); and, (3)

Appointment of Two Commissioners to Newly-Formed Ad Hoc Subcommittee(s)

Commissioner Mohammed reported that the Municipal Code Subcommittee was waiting to hear back from the City Attorney.

Chair Heineman reported that the Senior Center was taking registration for the new year; discussed proof of vaccination requirements from the City; the pool room; and the upcoming Board Meeting on December 13, 2021.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding clarification that there were no requests to create any new subcommittees.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ZEIDMAN AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR RICKARDS 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.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: HEINEMAN, MOHAMMED, RICKARDS, ZEIDMAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: CUFFE

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Item A-3

PRCSC - [Standing Item] (1) Review the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission 2021/2022 Meeting Calendar and the Upcoming Agenda Items List and Make Adjustments, if Necessary; (2) Discuss Topics for Inclusion in the Next PRCS Commission Report to the City Council; and, (3) Receipt and Filing of the Report

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, reported that the annual Martin Luther King Jr. proclamation would go before the City Council at the January 10 City Council meeting; she listed regular meeting dates in 2022; discussed a proposed joint meeting with the Finance Advisory Committee on January 12; and a possible presentation from Public Works on the Senior Center

Solar Panel and Battery Storage Installation in January or February.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ZEIDMAN AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR RICKARDS THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: HEINEMAN, MOHAMMED, RICKARDS, ZEIDMAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: CUFFE

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Chair Heineman invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Commission:

Andrew Lachman, Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) Chair, indicated that the FAC was always willing to work together to make the parks and recreation centers better; discussed project financing; and indicated that he was looking forward to working together in January.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, indicated that no correspondence had been received.

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Items from Staff

Darren Uhl, Parks Recreation and Community Services Manager, provided a detailed report on Fiesta La Ballona 2021 held on October 29, 30 and 31, 2021.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding politeness by event attendees; appreciation for the new and refurbished rides at Fiesta La Ballona; appreciation to staff

for their hard work on the successful event; and Fiesta La Ballona as a social event for teens.

Darren Uhl, Parks Recreation and Community Services Manager, provided a brief report on the Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration, held on December 2, 2021, at Town Hall Plaza in downtown Culver City and he provided a preview of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Celebration scheduled for January 15, 2022.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding appreciation to staff for their leadership; appreciation to Marcus Tiggs for his work on Fiesta La Ballona and for his recognition of others; the successful Tree Lighting Ceremony; and appreciation for innovative and creative thinking by staff.

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, reported that Patrick Reynolds had to leave for a prior commitment but hoped to say goodbye to everyone at his upcoming Zoom retirement party.

Armando Abrego, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, discussed the important work done by Patrick Reynolds over the past 15+ years noting that he would be missed; he reported a special meeting of the City Council on December 10 with an item to help address the sound system at the Senior Center; he expressed appreciation to Patricia Mooney for her work with Los Angeles County to secure funding for the repairs; provided an update on the Recreation and Community Services Manager recruitment process; noted other employees retiring in December; he thanked the Parks Division for their support of Fiesta La Ballona; and he indicated that he wanted to schedule a meeting with the Municipal Code Subcommittee and would send a reminder to the City Attorney.

Commissioner Mohammed and Vice Chair Rickards indicated willingness to meet.

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Items from Commissioners

Chair Heineman wished everyone a wonderful Hanukkah and a blessed Christmas noting that she would see everyone in the new year.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:45 P.M., the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission adjourned to a regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

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Patricia A. Mooney


Patricia A. Mooney
SECRETARY of the Parks, Recreation and
Community Services Commission

APPROVED January 4, 2022

Kay R. Heineman

Kay Heineman
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 Green
CITY CLERK

10 JAN 2022
Date