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

September 4, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Zeidman called the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Mike Balkman Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Chair Scott Zeidman
Vice Chair Palvi Mohammed
Commissioner Paula Amezola*
Commissioner Kay Heineman
Commissioner William Rickards

*Commissioner Amezola arrived at 7:03 P.M.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Eric Aguilar led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Chair Zeidman invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

PRCSC – Approval of the Minutes for the Special Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Meeting of April 18, 2018

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HEINEMAN AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 18, 2018.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

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Item C-2

PRCSC – Approval of the Minutes for the Special Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Meeting of July 17, 2018

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HEINEMAN AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 17, 2018.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

Commissioner Amezola joined the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

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Item C-2

PRCSC – Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Meeting of August 7, 2018

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER RICKARDS, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 7, 2018.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

PRCSC – Receive and File the Report Regarding the Culver City Afterschool Recreation Program from the Recreation Division of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

Arames White-Shearin, Recreation Coordinator, provided a presentation on the Culver City Afterschool Recreation Program (CCARP) and introduced staff.

Daniel Hepburn, Culver City High School student, discussed his experiences as a CCARP participant; the recycling program; and he expressed appreciation for being a mentee during camp. He is now working in CCARP.

Kayla Hamilton, Culver City High School student, discussed her experiences participating in CCARP and now working in the CCARP program.

Eric Aguilar, Culver City High School student, discussed his experiences participating in CCARP. He worked in Just4Kids Camp and is now working at CCARP.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding use of volunteers; expansion of the program; the need for afterschool programming in the City; space limitations; quality staffing; ratios; programming to the level of need rather than to the facility available; waiting lists; appreciation to the counselors in training for coming to speak; the program to support Farragut; state standards for STEAM curriculum; the unique nature of each neighborhood; addressing cultural deficiencies; keeping programming universal; natural evolution of programs; assisting with the needs of immersion students; the importance of listening to and meeting needs; and support for hiring those who have been through the program.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HEINEMAN, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT.

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Item A-2

[Any or All of the Following Actions, if Desired] (1) 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; and/or, (2) Formation of New Ad Hoc Subcommittee(s); and, (3) Appointment of Two Commissioners to the Newly-Formed Ad Hoc Subcommittee(s)

Vice Chair Mohammed provided a report on the work of the subcommittee on Revising the City Code Regarding Parks and Recreation Facilities and Rules; he discussed communication with the City Attorney's office on how to proceed; information from the Director; and additional work to be done to shape the recommendation.

Commissioner Rickards reported on the work of the subcommittee for the next Community Conversation; discussed the Culver City Interfaith Alliance; youth programs; outreach services; at risk youth; and potential dates.

Chair Zeidman invited public participation.

The following members of the audience addressed the Commission:

Reverend Carolyn Wilkins, Culver City Area Interfaith Alliance, discussed programming to support youth in the community; thanked Jim Clarke for bringing forth the idea for the Community Conversation; noted a potential grant from the Department of Mental Health; she proposed three subprograms under the idea of The Power of Community including: the Interfaith Peace Breakfast, a Youth Dialogue at the Teen Center in October and the Community Conversation; she distributed handouts; provided background on the Alliance; discussed challenges faced by youth; community engagement; reported increases to incivility, intolerance and polarization of young people; different types of bullying; education; goals of each planned event; engaging youth and their parents; and the intent to create a world of compassion, acceptance and friendship so that children feel connected, appreciated and safe in their own neighborhood.

Discussion ensued between Reverend Wilkins, staff and Commissioners regarding supporting materials for the upcoming events; clarification on how the Commission can support the Community Conversation; concern with securing sufficient youth participation; work with the school system; previous events; conversations with other faith-based organizations; format and location; potential funding for refreshments and outreach; dates; venue availability; awareness of any issues with bullying in Culver City facilities; training programs to prepare workers for various challenges at different City sites; mandated reporters; increased violence; mental health issues; access to guns; and scheduling.

Jim Clarke indicated the intent to have two Community Conversations, with one being at the Senior Center.

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding Commissioner availability and availability of the Senior Center.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HEINEMAN, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION: APPROVE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018 AT THE VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING ROTUNDA ROOM AT 7:00 P.M. AS THE DATE OF THE COMMUNITY CONVERSATION (TOPIC #9) WITH THE TOPIC OF BULLYING.

Reverend Wilkins discussed a three-page overview of the event to be distributed to staff and Commissioners, and she clarified that the Interfaith Peace Breakfast is for youth and adults.

Chair Zeidman discussed the High School Student subcommittee.

Commissioner Heineman discussed the California Association of Parks and Recreation; Senior Center Board Members; the disappearance of the barbecue from the Senior Center; the final barbecue at the end of September; and the Hispanic Heritage Party on September 18.

Commissioner Heineman agreed to serve as temporary representative on the Disability Advisory Committee.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER AMEZOLA, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION: APPOINT COMMISSIONER HEINEMAN AS THE DELEGATE FROM THE PRCS COMMISSION TO THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTING IN PLACE OF COMMISSIONER AMEZOLA ON A TEMPORARY BASIS.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding upcoming meetings; the Community Development Block Grant subcommittee; and funding.

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

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PRCSC - Selection of Dates for the November 2018 and January 2019 Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Special Meetings

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding dates and it was noted that the Commission had agreed to hold a special meeting on November 13 for Community Conversation Topic #9.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AMEZOLA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION: APPROVE SCHEDULING A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PRCS COMMISSION ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019 IN THE VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING ROTUNDA ROOM AT 7:00 P.M.

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Item A-4

PRCSC - [Standing Item] Receive and File the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Upcoming Agenda Items List

Discussion ensued between staff and Commissioners regarding inclusion of Community Conversations for consideration on the next agenda.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HEINEMAN, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MOHAMMED AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION: RECEIVE AND FILE THE UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS LIST.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Chair Zeidman invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, reported that no correspondence had been received other than public comment reported earlier.

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Items from Staff

Corey Lakin, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, reported on a successful Fiesta La Ballona; discussed increased revenue for carnival rides; feedback received; survey information; and Commission representation at the September 11 City Council meeting.

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Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Amezola received clarification regarding the turf consultant and staff agreed to provide additional information as it becomes available.

Vice Chair Mohammed received clarification regarding upcoming budget discussions and he expressed appreciation for the responsiveness of staff regarding turf conditions.

Commissioner Heineman received clarification regarding the update of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan; the General Plan update; Commissioner involvement; turf management; and Blair Hills equipment.

Patricia Mooney, Senior Management Analyst, noted that adjournment would be to the special meeting on October 2 at 4:00 p.m. for the Parks Tour and she discussed logistics.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:21 P.M., the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission adjourned to a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 4:00 P.M.

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

APPROVED October 2, 2018

Scott Zeidman
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 OCTOBER 2018
Date