

June 8th, 2015



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CONVENED
THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2015, AT 6:30 P.M.
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1424 MISSION STREET**

1. ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Zavala convened the Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission at 6:35 p.m.

Staff R Martin called the roll. Present were Commissioner Members Rosen, Taylor, Chair Vice Chair Zavala.

Absent at time of roll: Commissioner Gin (excused) and Chair Salinas arrived later, City Council Liaison Mahmud (excused)

Other Officials and Staff present: Community Services Director/Staff Liaison Pautsch, and Staff Reyna Salazar-Martin.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
May 11TH, 2015.**

MOTION: Commissioner Rosen had corrections for his Commissioner report. Commission approved the amended minutes of the regular May 11th meeting. By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Rosen, Taylor)

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

4. PRESENTATIONS/ (ACTION/DISCUSSION)

None

5. OPTION TO PURCHASE VACANT CALTRANS PROPERTY AND DESIGNATION OF PROPERTY

Director Pautsch is asking commission on any recommendation they have on purchasing/not purchasing one or two or all three the current available Caltrans Property located at 728 Bonita Ave, 804 Valley View Rd, and 2006 Berkshire Ave. If Commission recommends purchasing any of these properties, these recommendations will be presented to City Council in July. Commissioner Ron respectfully abstains from voting on any recommendation for specific lot 68222-01-01 on 728 Bonita because his neighboring proximity to the property. Commissioner Rosen recommends the 2006 Berkshire lot has potential and also because it is in a location that is the furthest from all city parks, and does not to recommend the 804 Valley View Rd. lot because it is far too much at a slope. Commissioner Taylor agrees with Commissioner Rosen's observation on both lots.

MOTION: Commission recommends purchasing 2006 Berkshire Ave. for either a park, garden, or however else the City deems proper for that space and also that the city not purchase 804 Valley View Rd. because of its incontinent position on a hill. By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Rosen, Salinas)

MOTION: Commission does not recommend the 8728 Bonita Ave because the extremely narrow streets in that area may not be suitable for public access. By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Rosen, Salinas)

Abstain: Commissioner Rosen

6. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

City Council Liaison Mahmud attended the City Budget Session. She gives updates on water expenditures. Also, Liaison Mahmud attended the City Community Garden Opening Ceremony. She had very positive feedback on the community turnout as well as how well the staff ran the event.

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7. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioners Zavala updates Commission on upcoming events he will be assisting in for the city. He will have more detail in the next regular meeting. Also wanted to mention that he has been doing his part to join the city recommendation on conserving water. Commissioner Rosen reminds Commission the Special Olympics Torch Run on June 9th at 7: 00 am.

8. STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Community Services Director Pautsch gave the Commission a handout with updates regarding the line up, sponsors, and fundraising efforts for the upcoming Summer Concerts in the Park series. She also gave Commission a copy of the Recreation Summer Guide that included all upcoming Community Services Event. Director Pautsch also gave the Commission notice of her upcoming time off between July 30th through late September due to a medical procedure.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, the Commission adjourned at 7:04p.m. The next Commission meeting will be held on Monday, July 13th, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted:



Sheila Pautsch
Community Services Director

Approved By:



Arturo Salinas
Chair