

A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES

March 16, 2016
6:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill Parks and Recreation Commission was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on March 16, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Dudley called the meeting to order for the Parks and Recreation Commission at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Brooks
 Vice Chair Dudley
 Commissioner Cunningham
 Commissioner Kiss-Lee
 Commissioner Lauer

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Brooks led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Resident, Lynn Hutchinson, asked the Commission that the gardeners be granted access to the front gate on 21st Street. It is very inconvenient and difficult to bring large items into the garden. She would also like to donate extra vegetables to the senior food program.

Resident, Janice Montgomery, stated if she had known about the long walk to the gate in the park she wouldn't have signed up for the Community Garden.

Director Aly Mancini informed the Commission that two Friday's a month, the gate on 21st street is opened for the gardeners. Originally the resident's on 21st Street made an agreement with City Council that they would support the installation of the Community Garden as long as access on 21st Street was restricted. Staff can resurvey the residents on 21st Street on allowing more access to the gardeners and the results will be given to the City Council.

PRESENTATION(S)

None

DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

(A) COMMUNITY GARDEN

Director Aly Mancini provided an update on the Community Garden. The plot fees have been lowered to \$95 annually.

The Commission discussed possible solutions for gardeners to have access to the gate on 21st Street. A survey must be conducted for the residents on 21st Street before any changes can be made.

It was moved by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Commissioner Dudley for the Parks and Recreation staff to survey the residents on 21st Street and the community gardeners on use of the gate on 21st Street and bring the results to the Commission. The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Brooks
Vice Chair Dudley
Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Kiss-Lee
Commissioner Lauer

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

(B) CPRS CONFERENCE UPDATE

Staff and Commissioners provided an update on their attendance at the California Parks and Recreation Society Conference.

It was moved by Commissioner Dudley and seconded by Commissioner Cunningham to receive and file the report. The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Brooks
Vice Chair Dudley
Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Kiss-Lee
Commissioner Lauer

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Cunningham pulled item B.

(A) UPDATES ON CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS, PARK PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

(C) MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Commissioner Kiss-Lee to approve items A and C. The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Brooks
Vice Chair Dudley
Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Kiss-Lee
Commissioner Lauer

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

(B) REVIEW OF COMMISSION REVOLVING OBJECTIVES

Commissioner Cunningham wanted to know the current situation of the kiosk board which was removed from the Panorama Promenade. Director Mancini informed the Commission it is currently being stored at the City Yard.

Commissioner Dudley asked what the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy funding opportunity. Director Mancini explained the funding is for phase 2 of the View Park; to include the Long Beach land adjacent to the View Park.

It was moved by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Commissioner Lauer to approve item B. The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Brooks
Vice Chair Dudley

Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Kiss-Lee
Commissioner Lauer

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMISSION NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Kiss-Lee suggested putting a small splash pad area to take up a portion of the grass area at Discovery Will Park. Director Mancini stated the suggestion could be included in the upcoming Needs Assessment.

Chair Brooks asked what happened to the parking signs at Discovery Well Park. Director Mancini informed the Commissioners that Public Works had painted in front of the stalls, "For Park Use Only".

Commissioner Cunningham asked if security cameras would be installed along the Panorama Promenade. Director Mancini will provide an update after speaking with Chief Langston.

ITEMS AGENDIZED FOR NEXT MEETING

None

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Dudley and seconded by Commissioner Cunningham to adjourn to Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 20, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Brooks
Vice Chair Dudley
Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Kiss-Lee
Commissioner Lauer

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Carmen Brooks
Chair

Aly Mancini
Commission Secretary