

A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES

July 20, 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 July 20, 2016.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Brooks 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**

None

**PRESENTATION(S)**

None

**PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

**DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

**(A) COMMISSION REORGANIZATION**

Community Services Director Aly Mancini opened nominations for Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Cunningham nominated Vice Chair Dudley and Commissioner Lauer nominated Chair Brooks to serve as Chair. Chair Brooks declined the nomination. There were no additional nominations.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The meeting was turned over to Chair Dudley, who opened nominations for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Kiss-Lee nominated Commissioner Lauer to serve as Vice Chair. There were no additional nominations.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **(B) GATE ACCESS FOR COMMUNITY GARDENERS**

Director Aly Mancini provided a presentation and update on the Community Garden gate access for the gardeners.

The following individuals provided their input on gate access for gardeners on 21<sup>st</sup> Street:

- Sharon Bergeron (Resident/Gardener)
  - Need access to the garden for all hours it is open
  - Don't think there has been any impact on the neighbor; no one parks in front of his house
  - No noise impact
  - Never more than 5 people at one time
  - No one is throwing anything into his yard (can't say the opposite is true)
  - No other neighbors have any issue with the gardeners
- Shari Keefer (Resident/Gardener)
  - Don't feel 100% safe, only one entrance and have seen some unsavory characters in the park
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- Lori Woods (Resident/Gardener)
  - When unloading heavier things access at the 21<sup>st</sup> Street gate would be more convenient
  - Initial concerns of residents are unfounded
  - Never more than 3 or more people in the garden at a time
  - Convenience and safety element

It was moved by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Commissioner Lauer to allow the gardeners to park in the driveway for 15 minutes, for unloading, and also have access to the garden gate on 21<sup>st</sup> Street during the hours the garden is open; and forward the recommendation to the City Council for approval. The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

**(B) REVIEW OF COMMISSION REVOLVING OBJECTIVES**

## **(C) MINUTES**

It was moved by Commissioner Kiss-Lee and seconded by Commissioner Cunningham to approve the consent calendar. The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **COMMISSION NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Cunningham inquired about getting bus transportation across the hill with the new High School being built so close. Director Mancini will research the possibility.

Commissioner Kiss-Lee's daughter is participating in the Day Camp at Discovery Well Park. She wants to commend the department and thank the staff that run the camp.

Commissioner Lauer suggested that since the fountain at Raymond Arbor Park is not running we add water or convert it into a planter. Commissioner Lauer notified staff at Discovery Well Park the door stops need to be replaced and the hand dryers are not working. She also suggested that the children in our program come out once a week to pick up trash; teaches them to keep the parks clean.

## **ITEMS AGENDIZED FOR NEXT MEETING**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Cunningham to adjourn to Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 17, 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 Dudley  
Vice Chair Lauer  
Commissioner Brooks  
Commissioner Cunningham

Commissioner Kiss-Lee

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Gary Dudley  
Chair

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Aly Mancini  
Commission Secretary