

A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES

August 16, 2017
5:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill Parks and Recreation Commission was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on August 16, 2017.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lauer called the meeting to order for the Parks and Recreation Commission at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Lauer
 Commissioner Dudley
 Commissioner Rogers
 Commissioner Russell

Absent: Vice Chair Kiss-Lee (excused)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Lauer led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None

PRESENTATION(S)

None

DISCUSSION ITEM

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

Commissioner Russell suggested reaching out to the Salvation Army, Rotary, and the Chamber of Commerce to assist with the Brown Bag program.

Commissioner Dudley inquired about the Senior Social Club Balance and Fall Prevention workshop and how these workshops are advertised. Director Mancini stated they are in

the Active Adult Newsletter. Commissioner Dudley would like to see advertising expanded. Director Mancini agreed, and indicated these free workshops are still under development with Kaiser and other health care providers.

Commissioners Dudley, Rogers, and Russell thanked staff for the expansive programs taking place at the library.

Commissioner Dudley inquired about status of new Librarian. Director Mancini confirmed Librarian Judy Kamei's last day is Friday August 18 and interviews for three final candidates are taking place Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

Commissioner Dudley inquired about the status of the new library. Director Mancini reported bid(s) are higher than anticipated. The City is currently investigating more funding options, possible bonds and March 2019 is still the target opening date.

Commissioner Russell suggested putting events on the City's website calendar.

Commissioner Russell suggested updating the City's Facebook page with after-program photos to improve social networking.

Commissioner Rogers suggested tagging after-program photos with Commissioners and Council Members, and City staff to share photos. Director Mancini agreed, and added the new Communication Specialist will also focus on the City website updating and improving on social media overall.

Commissioner Dudley inquired about the electronic sign/view park. Director Mancini clarified the new Public Works Director is getting settled; started discussions with the City of Long Beach and anticipated no issues with leasing; and architect design has been received. The next step will be meeting on the \$2 Million grant and phasing the park development.

It was moved by Chair Lauer and seconded by Commissioner Dudley to receive and file the updates.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Lauer
 Commissioner Dudley
 Commissioner Rogers
 Commissioner Russell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Kiss-Lee

ABSTAIN: None

(B) REQUEST FOR RENTAL OF SIGNAL HILL PARK & HILLTOP PARK

Director Mancini provided background of the AIDS Food Store Long Beach's previous two events at Signal Hill Park, as well as changes made in June 2017 to the fee waiver policy by the Commission. Director Mancini requested AIDS Food Store Long Beach be granted the fee waiver for this year's event because discussions were in place in April 2017. Director Mancini introduced Julianne McCall, Vice President of the AIDS Food Store Long Beach to provide background on their organization and the event.

Commissioner Rogers asked if we could grandfather in the AIDS Food Store Long Beach. Director Mancini suggested we consider this next year.

Commissioner Dudley asked where they were located and how they get donations. Julianne stated they have been at Christ Church for the past 30 years, but they are in the process of renegotiating. Julianne indicated all food is donated. Fresh food is purchased with monetary donations.

Commissioner Dudley asked how many clients they serve. Julianne indicated they deliver twice a month (2nd and 4th Saturday) to 40-70 clients.

It was motioned by Commissioner Dudley and seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve the rental and fee waivers of Signal Hill and Hilltop Parks by AIDS Food Store Long Beach.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Lauer
Commissioner Dudley
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Russell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Kiss-Lee

ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was motioned by Chair Lauer and seconded by Commissioner Russell to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: Chair Lauer
Commissioner Dudley
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Russell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Kiss-Lee

ABSTAIN: None

COMMISSION NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Russell thanked Director Mancini and staff for a wonderful concerts and movies in the park series and the Voice.

Commissioner Russell commented on the after-school recreation graduation ceremony.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Dudley and seconded by Commissioner Rogers to adjourn to the next Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill Parks & Recreation Commission on Wednesday, September 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 Lauer
Commissioner Dudley
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Russell

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Kiss-Lee

ABSTAIN: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Nancy Lauer
Chair

Aly Mancini
Commission Secretary