



**Recreation and Park Commission
City Hall – Community Chambers
Wednesday, August 15, 2018
MINUTES**

Commission Members Present: Tyson Hubbard - Chair, Travie Westlund (Vice Chair), Ira Bray, Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald and Cheri Harrington.

Commission Members Absent: Emily Griswold

Council Liaison Present: None

Public Present: Mike Engle and Brenna Moosavi – Cunningham Engineering Consultants

Staff Present: Dale Sumersille, Ginger Hashimoto and Christine Helweg

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hubbard at 6:30 pm.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by C. Greenwald to approve the agenda, seconded by I. Bray. The motion passed with a 5-0-1-0 vote.

AYES: Bray, Greenwald, Harrington, Hubbard and Westlund.

NOES: None

Absent: Griswold

Abstentions: None

3. Brief Announcements from Commissioners, Liaisons and Staff

- Assistant Director Helweg announced the resignation of Commissioner Mufti effective immediately. He is relocating with his family out of the area and has appreciated his time on the Commission.
- C. Harrington expressed her appreciation for all staff's efforts this past summer to coordinate all the children's activities and programs.
- Director Sumersille spoke briefly about the upcoming playground replacement projects, and the fact that the City did not receive the Urban Greening grant this year.
- Assistant Director Helweg announced that the development proposal for the West Active Adult Community will be on the ballot for the November 2018 election as Measure L.
- The City Council has requested a joint meeting with the Recreation and Parks Commission on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 beginning at 6:30 pm. The meeting is anticipated to last approximately 45 minutes, with a brief slide presentation (4-5 slides) on the Commission's current work plan.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Consent Calendar

A motion was made by T. Westlund to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by I. Bray. The motion passed with a 4-0-1-1 vote.

AYES: Bray, Harrington, Hubbard and Westlund

NOES: None

Absent: Griswold

Abstentions: Greenwald

6A. Russell Blvd. Green Streets Demonstration Project (Prop. 1) Update

The Commission received a presentation by representatives of Cunningham Engineering who are the designated design consultants for this project. The Commission was provided with copies of the 90% Design Plans, which did not change significantly from the 60% plans that were previously reviewed by the Commission.

The Commission did have a few comments/questions as follows:

1. What sort of lighting changes are being planned as part of this project? – new conduit will be added for lights, signage, a “Jump Bike” pad, in addition to fiber optic cabling.
2. Are there similar sites that currently have some of the same drainage features that is being proposed in this project? – Sacramento State University has similar design elements that have been in place for a significant time period and are doing well. Another location at 16th & O in Sacramento has storm water swales that can be viewed also.
3. The incorporation of drought tolerant plant materials to accommodate both high and low water levels is appreciated.

6B. Review and Discussion of Community Park

This is an informational item and Commission members made the following comments and/or observations:

- Upon reviewing the proposed bike track site location, it appears that thirteen trees will be affected by the new attraction. There is also significant tree root damage to pathways, weeds in the tree wells, several dead limbs & trees, and lots of weeds on the pathway to the north.
- One of the City’s most favorite parks – during the winter months the dog exercise area gets very muddy – can additional improvements be made to prevent this from occurring?
- The park is severely overbuilt with various playgrounds and other active play areas, the original Master Plan for this park has been lost, a lot of improvements are needed at this facility including pathways and especially the restroom facility. The restrooms desperately need a renovation to include some type of microbial flooring, graffiti resistant paint, the inclusion of hand dryers and other restroom amenities would be appreciated.

7. Commission and Staff Communications

- No reports

Commissioner T. Westlund moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by C. Greenwald at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Christine Helweg
Parks & Community Services Assistant Director