



City of Colton
RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION
Notice of Regular Meeting
Wednesday, 20 January 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Via Zoom

MINUTES

All Recreation & Parks Commissioners and staff accessed the meeting via ZOOM from their residences.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Ramirez called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Commission Present

D1 Alicia Corral

D2 Erika Hernandez

D5 Jimmy Ramirez

D6 Isabel Salas

Commission Absent

D3 Ronnie Calderon

D4 Larry Rivas

A/L Rita Carter

Staff Present

Deb Farrar

Heidi Strutz

Dedie Lopez

Council Member Dr. Gonzalez

Youth Commissioner Vacant

Ms. Farrar introduced the newly appointed Commissioner Alicia Corral.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. November 18, 2020 – Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Hernandez to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Salas and approved by a vote of 3:0 with Commissioners Carter, Calderon and Rivas absent and Commissioner Corral abstaining.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Commission Reports and Action Items

A. Appointment of 2021 Commission Officers

Commissioner Salas made a motion to nominate Commissioner Ramirez as Chair of the Recreation & Parks Commission, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and approved by a vote of 4:0 with Commissioners, Carter, Calderon and Rivas absent.

Commissioner Ramirez made a motion to nominate Commissioner Salas as Vice Chair of the Recreation & Parks Commission, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and approved by a vote of 4:0 with Commissioners Carter, Calderon and Rivas absent.

B. Report of Parks & Recreation Foundation Meeting of 3/8/20 and 9/14/20

Ms. Farrar updated the Commission, which included the fourth quarter Scholarship, Fundraising and Donations. The Foundation received an excellent amount of fundraising even with limited programming.

6. Status Reports (Farrar)

A. COVID-19 Update

CSD in person programs were halted and Centers closed but staff still provides outdoor activities as follows.

- Senior's wellness calls and meal services/deliveries
- Library's Books-to-go
- Care Hub
- Commodities
- Drop in Rec activity bags
- Covid Testing

B Recreation Division Report (Strutz)

Ms. Strutz reported on the following City events.

- Senior Programs: wellness calls and meals services/deliveries
- Homeless Services
- Commodities
- Thanksgiving In-a-Box, \$25 gift card
- Holiday Help Program
- Library Pods
- Candy Cane Lane Event
- Home Decorating Contest
- Movie Trivia Night
- College Study Zone
- Covid Testing Site

Ms. Strutz also mentioned the upcoming events:

- Virtual Spring Colton Connections
- Sports Recess
- Spring Fling Drive Thru
- Rec on the Road

- Family Holiday Boxes (crafts/DIY)
- Teem Programing (grab and go box/crafts)
- Keep Colton Clean & Beautiful

✓ Commissioner Ramirez asked if seniors have help regarding vaccination appointments.

C Fiscal Year 2021-2022

- Budget Priorities – asked the Commissioners for their list of priorities for the coming year for March meeting.
- Master Fee Schedule – draft Master Fee Schedule with detailed staff report will be forwarded to the Commissioners before the March meeting.

7. Status Updates (Farrar)

- Ballfield Concession Renovation Update: Chavez, Veterans, Davis and Lofy concessions are scheduled to be updated; Veterans and Davis renovation already started last month; completion is estimated in mid-April.
- Sports Park Update: the City is applying again for phase 1 of the Sports Park due on March 2021.
- State Funded Park Improvement: pictures for the tentative playground designs for Davis, Dauer and Chavez Park were shown to the Commissioners.

Commissioners made comments on the playground pictures.

Chavez Park:

- Too much ramp
- Need play things for kids to interact
- Train design is nice but there is not much for kids to play with
- Looks more for tiny tots

Davis Park:

- Likes the panel
- Nice multiple slides
- Looks better than Chavez Park design

Dauer Park:

- Concern that the wood panel would fall
 - The swing design is good
 - No shade
- ✓ Different style playground on each park would be good
 ✓ Colorful is preferred
 ✓ Need shade
 ✓ Preferred the variety of play structures and distance

D. Parks Ordinance – Council approved the Park Ordinance on their November 17 meeting, effective December 16, 2020.

8. Old Business

- Commission Shirts
No update but will be emailing the Commissioners asking for their sizes.

9. New Business

- Updated Commission Manual copy was emailed to all Commissioners.

Council Member Dr. Gonzales thanked the CSD staff and was glad to hear the update on the park playgrounds.

10. Commissioner Comments

Commissioners made comments on various issues and activities throughout the community.

11. Staff Liaison Comments/Announcements

Heidi Strutz announced as promoted to Recreation Manager.

12. Upcoming Events/Meetings

2/15 President's Day Holiday – City Facilities Closed

13. Adjournment

At 7: 08p.m., Chairperson Ramirez declared the meeting adjourned.