

Minutes
CITY OF UNION CITY
for the Regular Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
held at 7:00 p.m.
on Wednesday, May 14, 2008
in the Council Chambers
31224 Union City Blvd.
Union City, California

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE at 7:05 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL - Commissioners Dave Acosta, Shawna Curtin, Steven Nichols, Daniel Rivera, Chairperson William Boylan were present. Commissioner Everett Glenn arrived at 7:10 p.m. Commissioner Adam Lopez III was absent. Staff in attendance: Director Tony Acosta, Manager Jill Stavosky, Management Analyst Tammy Accinelli and Secretary Rosemary Edge.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 9, 2008 Meeting

Commissioner Acosta stated that there had been a conversation during the meeting about the lack of Youth activities at the Sports Center and asked that the item be included in the minutes. Commissioner Acosta made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rivera. AYES – 6. The minutes were approved.

IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

V. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A. Leisure Services Report

Manager Stavosky reported on upcoming programs and events including the SOK - Support our Kids Scholarship Program, Special Needs Fitness Expo and the Family Camp Out event.

B. Public Works Report

Management Analyst Tammy Accinelli reported on the status of current projects including the basketball court at Arroyo Park, Holly tot lot, Willow Park Extension Project, Kennedy Playground Plans and the Alvarado median project.

C. Tree and Landscape Review Board

There is nothing new to report on this item.

D. Public Art Review Board

Director Acosta reported that City Council, at the meeting of May 13, 2008, heard a staff report and an ordinance relating to the Public Art Review Board which would codify in the Municipal Code a 1% public art fee assessed against projects in lieu of art installations or is a requirement for art installations. Recommendations were made to Staff that will substantially change the functions of the Public Art Review Board including a name change for the group. City Council has endorsed relocating the Public Art Review Board from Union City Leisure Services to the Economic and Community Development Department. Director Acosta also reported on upcoming changes with regard to the group formerly known as the Public Art Review Board.

Chairperson Boylan commented on recent changes with regard to public art in the City.

E. City Council Items Related to Park & Recreation

Director Acosta reported that Council voted to appeal a negative decision received relating to the City's emergency 911 fee.

VII. COMMISSION MATTERS

A. Sports Center Report

Director Acosta reported on noise disturbances in the neighborhood around the Sports Center. Director Acosta also reported on the current revenues generated at the Sports Center.

B. Sports Advisory Committee

Commissioner Acosta reported on topics discussed at the April meeting of the Sports Advisory Committee including field permits, field use, etc.

C. Drigon Dog Park

Director Acosta reported that the Friends of Drigon Dog Park have come close to reaching the amount of money needed to pay for lighting at the park. Director Acosta also reported on current issues regarding the dog park including noise, excessive use and hours of use.

D. CPR Class for Sports League Coaches

This item will be carried over to a future meeting.

E. Spring Tour

This tour was held at 5 p.m., prior to the Park and Recreation Commission meeting on May 14, 2008.

F. Adult Sport Leagues

Commissioner Nichols reported that Recreation Program Coordinator Maynard Estrellado met with a company to promote a flag football tournament. More information is forthcoming.

G. Video Game Design

Commissioner Glenn gave a brief description of this game design. This item will be carried over to a future meeting.

VIII. ITEM(S) REFERRED BY COUNCIL

Director Acosta reported that he serves on the NHUSD Bond Oversight Committee and the District will put a measure on the November 2008 ballot to re-authorize the City's bond. An item under discussion is the turfing of all of the School District's sport fields.

IX. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

X. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Director Acosta offered to invite a representative from the Fire Dept. to come to a future meeting to explain exactly the responsibility of UCLS in the case of an emergency. The Commission concurred.

XI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Acosta reported that Hobby Town recently sponsored a Kite event at Silliman Center in Newark and offered to sponsor a similar event in Union City.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Acosta. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Edge, Secretary

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