



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION**

Wednesday, June 10, 2015
6:00 p.m.
City of Huntington Beach
Civic Center Council Chambers
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Chairman Kreitz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner Burkart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Burkart; Michael Couey; Nicolina Cuzzacrea; Roger Forest; Albert Gasparian; Bridget Kaub; Jay Kreitz; J.D. Miles; Roy Miller; Jerry Moffatt; Norm Westwell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Shay Reardon (excused); Dick Thiel (excused)

STAFF PRESENT: David Dominguez;

PRESENTATIONS:

Community Services Recreation Supervisors Scott Getman and League Manager Brehz Dulac presented the Youth Volleyball Championship and Harry W. Montague Sportsmanship Awards.

Minutes:

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Westwell, seconded by Commissioner Burkart to approve the Community Services Commission minutes from April 8, 2015.

Ayes: Burkart; Couey; Cuzzacrea; Forest; Gasparian; Kaub; Kreitz; Miles; Miller; Moffatt; Westwell

Nos: None

Abstain: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Resident Diana Abruscato spoke to the Commission regarding the pickleball activity at Worthy Park. She spoke about the rapid growth of the activity both in Huntington Beach and nationwide. She mentioned that she also teaches classes through the City's contract class program. She stated she was appreciative of the Commission and staff for designating the hard courts for exclusive

use but, more courts are needed to meet the demand, with a total of 8 courts being desirable.

DIRECTOR ITEMS: Dominguez reported to Commission that communication has been received from each of the school districts with recommendations for Commission appointments. The appointments will be presented for Council approval at the July 6, 2015 meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT MEETING: None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

Huntington Beach Central Park Permanent Parking lot – Per direction given at the April 8, 2015 meeting, Dominguez provided an overview of five (5) concepts for a permanent parking lot that would be located on the west side of the park, near the intersection of Goldenwest and Talbert Ave. Concepts reviewed included options to 1.) Pave and stripe the existing temporary parking lot; 2.) Provide the improvements identified in Concept 1 and add a connection to the driveway currently being constructed as part of the new senior center project; 3.) Provide improvements in Concept 1 and 2 and add an approximate 225 foot driveway and turnaround for buses and passenger drop off near the entrance to Shipley Nature Center; 4.) Pave and stripe the existing temporary lot and add a bus/passenger drop-off lane within the park on the west side of Goldenwest Street, adjacent to Shipley Nature Center; 5.) Pave and stripe the existing temporary lot and add the bus/passenger drop-off but not the connection to the new driveway.

Discussion ensued with Commissioners expressing concerns with safety in entering and exiting the lot, the amount of park open space being impacted, the need for the bus/passenger drop off, project costs and timing of the project. Commissioner Kaub spoke to the need for a signalized entrance/exit. Commissioner Miller mentioned that providing the bus turnaround and passenger drop-off would assist students and the elderly going to the nature center. Commissioners Couey and Gasparian felt that the drop-off could be added later if the need was justified. Commissioner Cuzzacrea expressed a concern over re-doing any of the improvements to the new driveway being constructed if a connection to the temporary lot is provided. Commissioner Westwell suggested that consideration be given to construct a permanent lot after the senior center project is complete. He also reiterated his concern over loss of park open space. Commissioner Miles stated that the current access to the lot be closed off if an ingress/egress point was created at the signalized entry. Chairman Kreitz stated his concern of losing park open space but, mentioned that if the lot is made permanent, it should be connected to the signalized intersection.

After additional discussion, Commission focused on Concept 1 and 2. Chairman Kreitz called for a straw vote on which concept staff should continue working on. Based upon

the vote and Commission comments Concept 2, paving and striping the lot and adding a connection to the new driveway was selected.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

H1. RODGERS SENIOR'S CENTER RE-USE OF SITE - Dominguez informed Commission that the Office of Business Development released an RFP for potential re-use of the Rodgers Senior's Center site as a residential development. Once a developer is selected, the project will be required to go to a public vote per Charter Section 612 ("Measure C").

H2. CITY DROUGHT REGULATIONS - Dominguez reported that the City Council adopted Resolution 2015-2 declaring a Level 2 Water Management Plan. Per State mandates, the City must reduce water use by 20 percent for the period of June, 2015 to February 2016.

H3. NEW SENIOR CENTER – Dominguez provided an update on the new senior center stating that the building pad had been poured and installation of the vertical beams had commenced. He added that a link on the City's webpage under "Web Highlights" provides streaming video of the construction activity.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS:

Commissioner Couey commented on the algae condition of Talbert Lake in Central Park. Commissioner Miller stated that a worker removing material from the lake was actually "plastic" and not algae. Commissioner Westwell mentioned that there are no State regulations on monitoring lakes. He added that he asked the Commission to consider developing a protocol for testing but, was not successful.

Commissioner Forest asked for an update on the American Flag placed at Bluff Top Park. Dominguez stated that since Bluff Top Park is located on State property their approval is needed before a permanent flag pole can be installed within the park. Dominguez will provide an update at the next meeting.

Commissioner Couey encouraged the Commission to attend the upcoming Concert Series at Central Park.

Commissioner Miller asked about the status of the LeBard School/Park project and the issue with parking. Dominguez stated that the Planning Commission is recommending approval of the project without extending the existing park parking lot. Commissioner Kaub added that the current plan going forward for approval went through several iterations in an effort to address the concerns of the City, public while meeting the needs of the Huntington Beach City School District.

Commissioner Cuzzacrea asked who is responsible for maintaining the turnaround at Warner Avenue between Bolsa Chica State Beach and Sunset Beach. Dominguez replied that the area is within the State's jurisdiction.

Chair Kreitz asked if there has been a request by the developers of the new hotel at Pacific City to relocate the Sunset Vista RV area. Dominguez reported that no requests have been made at this time.

ITEMS DISTRIBUTED TO COMMISSION:
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by: David C. Dominguez, Secretary, Community Services Commission