



Parks Arts and Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda

October 8, 2024, 6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting, City Hall

Chair
Tricia Montelongo

Brett Hunt
Commissioner

Lilia Queen
Commissioner

Maverick Shuck
Commissioner

Matthew Rupard
Commissioner

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Parks Arts and Recreation Commission

September 10, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

6:30 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Chair / Montelongo
Commissioner Hunt
Commissioner Queen
Commissioner Shuck
Commissioner Rupard

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time the public is invited to address the Parks Arts and Recreation Commission concerning any agenda item, which is not a public hearing item, or other items under the jurisdiction of the Parks Arts and Recreation Commission.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

The purpose of these reports is to provide information on projects and programs that are discussed at sub-committee meetings. No decisions are to be made on these issues. If a Commission member would like formal action on any of the discussed items, it will be placed on a future Commission Agenda.

PARKS ARTS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA

1. **Approval of Minutes** – September 10, 2024
 - Recommended action: Approve
2. **Monthly Report** – Staff to provide updates of programs, services, and projects offered by the Community Services Department.
 - La Placita Parkette playground renovations update
 - Dog Park
 - Tuffree Park – Concrete, Sports Lighting
 - McFadden Playground Renovations Update
 - Jaycee Parkette Playground Update
3. **Commissioner Comments and Requests**
4. **Staff Comments**
5. **Agenda Building and Meeting Schedule** – Staff and Commission to review agenda items and schedule upcoming meetings and meeting locations.

ADJOURNMENT

The Parks Arts and Recreation Commission adjourns to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I, Jeannette Ortega, Acting Director of Community Services for the City of Placentia, hereby certify that the Agenda for the October 8, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Parks Arts and Recreation Commission was posted on Thursday, October 3, 2024.



Jeannette Ortega
Acting Director of Community Services

MINUTES
PLACENTIA PARKS, ARTS, AND RECREATION
COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:27 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Tricia Montelongo, Commissioner Lilia Queen, Commissioner Maverick Shuck, Commissioner Matthew Rupard

Absent: Commissioner Brett Hunt

Staff Present: Acting Director of Community Services, Jeannette Ortega
Administrative Assistant, Daniela Escobedo

Guests: Senior Civil Engineer, Gabriel Guerrero
Landscape Architect, Charles Foley

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Daniela Escobedo

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Chair Montelongo mentioned some concerns about Kraemer Park, including dirty bathrooms, trash cans falling apart, more visibility on homelessness, dog bag stations for people who walk the park, and in the existing old playground equipment.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the May 14, 2024, meeting were **MOTIONED** for approval by Commissioner Shuck. Commissioner Queen **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried.

2. MONTHLY REPORT

a. Completion of Parque de los Niños

Administrative Assistant Escobedo informed the Commission of the completion of Parque de los Niños back in June.

b. La Placita Parkette playground renovations update

Acting Director Ortega mentioned that the landscape, lighting, and fencing are complete and that the playground amenities are still waiting to be completed. The estimated date for the park ribbon cutting is late October or early November.

c. Pickleball updates

Acting Director Ortega shared that we are awaiting an updated estimate for the fencing at the pickleball courts. Tennis classes started, and we are working on a happy median for the tennis class participants and pickleball goers. The city wants to install a low fencing to divide the two courts and avoid issues between the tennis classes and pickleball.

d. Summer Recap

Administrative Assistant Escobedo updated the Commission that summer programming went smoothly. Concerts and movies in the park had a great turnout. Summer Day camp had another successful summer, even with the new charges of early drop-off and late pickup. Administrative Assistant Daniela Escobedo also mentioned a Halloween movie night on Friday, October 25, and a Holiday Movie on Friday, December 6th, both at Oberle Gym.

e. Dog Park

Administrative Assistant Escobedo shared the dog park is currently in the design phase. Acting Director Ortega added that the proposed dog park will be on the south side of the Backs building; staff visited the dog park in the City of Brea. Conceptual designs are being done for a medium-sized and small-sized dog park. The city will be surveying surrounding cities regarding whether they use grass or synthetic turf and the maintenance of a dog park.

3. Review Conceptual Design of the Jaycee Parkette Playground Renovation

Senior Civil Engineer Guerrero and Landscape Architect Foley discussed the conceptual designs for the Jaycee Parkette playground renovation. In 2021, the City of Placentia's Jaycee Parkette renovation project was awarded \$610,000 of grant funding from the California State Parks Office of Grants and Local Services (OGALS). The renovation will include removing and replacing existing play equipment and rubberized surfacing, installing new water-efficient irrigation, adding new landscaping, renovating park lighting, and replacing park amenities.

Senior Civil Engineer Guerrero shared some comments from the August 29th Community Outreach meeting. Included: Request to include some type of water play element. Concern about the hydration station and associated hardware being tamper resistant, as the existing water fountain has been broken into. Concern about vandalism of the benches. Discussion about the drainage channel chain link fencing being cut away for access to the channel. Suggestion to replace the chain link with a type of fencing that does not promote climbing and is more resistant to cutting. Council Member Rhonda Shader stated that the fencing is owned by the OCFCD. There were discussions several years ago regarding replacing the fencing and the City needs to re-engage the topic with OCFCD. Concern with Option 1 play equipment providing spaces for hiding. Preference for Option 2 play equipment because it is more open and provides more shade. Request to preserve and re-install the Jaycee Park Plaque.

Question regarding the sound levels of the Flower Chimes in Option 2, given their proximity to homes. City Staff noted that the Flower Chimes are installed in another City Park near homes and there have been no complaints. Request to install a security camera at the park and motion sensor lighting feature. Concern about the Nature Discover Playhouse providing a space for hiding/sleeping. Suggestion to explore replacing with a different play feature such as a climbing feature or bug/animal. Comments to add trees within Caltrans Right-of-Way and/or adding a mural to the sound wall. Noted that residents use the park walkway to connect to the neighborhood/school. Suggestion to include detour/closure signs while park is under construction.

Landscape Architect, Foley presented two design concepts to the Commission. The first design for the park is approximately \$513,251, and the main point of this design is that the play structure resembles a tree trunk for a nature theme. The second design for the park is approximately \$489,592 and the main point of this design is that it includes musical flowers and a more contemporary nature theme.

Chair Montelongo proposed that option 2, the design including the change of the high deck/slide and the removal of the playhouse and additional play panels, be brought forward to the City Council. The approval was **MOTIONED** for approval by Chair Montelongo. The approval was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Shuck. The motion carried.

4. Renaming of City Parks and Signage

Acting Director Ortega stated that the Historical Committee is looking at each park's history and the Wayfinding Project signage, which will update the city signs, street signs, and parks. Chair Montelongo shared that Samp Park should be Richard Samp Park; Commissioner Queen suggested a plaque on the history of the water channels at Jaycee Parkette. Acting Director Ortega shared an element that has the history of the park and an QR code where it has the history of the park, incorporate videos and parks. She also mentioned the City Administrator wants to implement a scavenger hunt

5. Commissioners Comments and Request

Rupard requested updates on the concrete at Tuffree Park and the sports lighting. Administrative Assistant Escobedo mentioned she would follow up with Coordinator Matt on the status of the sports lighting. She also stated that there has not been any complaints of street parking on Tuffree.

6. Staff Comments

Acting Director Ortega shared that the McFadden Playground design will go to city council on September 17th.

7. Agenda Building and Meeting Schedule

The items to be included in the next meeting agenda are concrete and sports lighting updates at Tuffree Park.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Rupard **MOTIONED** to adjourn to the next regular meeting, on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting will be held in-person. The motion was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Queen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned on September 10, 2024, at 7:36 p.m.



Jeannette Ortega
Acting Director of Community Services