

City of Patterson
Parks, Recreation & Beautification Commission Minutes
Special Meeting of July 27, 2022

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Gabriela Fernandez-Hernandez called the Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Beautification Commission of the City of Patterson to order at the City Hall Zoom Meeting at 5:04 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners: Gabriela Fernandez, Oscar Roman, & Carolyn Cooper

City Staff: Deputy Director Robert Andrade, Deputy Director Sonia Delgado (Intern Secretary), Recreation & Community Services Administrative Service Manager Diana Hernandez, Adrian Laurel, Environmental Compliance Specialist

Absent : Commissionner Jacquelyn Sudduth

3. Statements of Conflict : None

4. Items from the Public: None

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Staff member Diana Hernandez pointed out that the minutes had “Hernandez” listed as the last name of the Chair which might require a correction as part of this approval. However, Chair confirmed that she is “Fernandez-Hernandez” and is okay as is. Commissioner Roman made a motion to approve May 18, 2022, minutes. The motion was seconded by commissioner Cooper and approved on a 3-0 vote.

6. Review of Action Items: None

7. Agenda Items

Ex-Officio Andrade made a recommendation under item 7 of the agenda to move Item 7.III to be moved to Item 7.I to allow for this item to go first to allow for consultants to complete their scheduled presentation. Commissioner Cooper motioned to move this item. Commissioner Roman second the motion, with 3-0 vote.

7.1. Parks & Recreation Master Plan Presentation (Gates & Associates):

Ex-Officio Andrade introduced the item, which is a presentation regarding the Parks & Recreation Master Plan that has been under development since 2012. This overall plan has taken several years since there were other master plans that have also been under development for the past decade. Dana and Linda from Gates and Associates presented the item to the Commission.

Linda Gates from Gates & Associates led the presentation and provided a thorough background and overview of the Parks & Recreation Master plan project which dates back to the adoption of the City's General Plan that looked into projected growth for the next 30 years. The update of the City's General Plan would take the city from a 20,000 population to 60,000 population (tripled in size). This would require the city to look into forward planning, looking into various comprehensive studies including transportation, stormwater, parks and recreation, and other areas needed to address needs for the community as it grows.

Commissioners and staff thanked Gates and Associates for their presentation. Ex-Officio Andrade recommended to the Commission to review and provide comments on this document as well as show support for the approval. The plan would be going to City Council for formal adoption as this document would serve as a guide for future growth. Also encouraged them to participate and attend the Council meeting during the adoption of this important document.

Commissioner Cooper asked regarding the acreage shown in the master plan. She was asking if the storm basins were included as part of the acreage. Linda Gates explained that the storm basins are given a ratio as these have multiple uses and can't be used 100% as part facility. They are designed as dual use facilities.

Commissioner Cooper also questioned if development pay their fair share for the costs of these new facilities or if they only donate the land or pay for any playground equipment, etc. Linda Gates explained that development is required to do two things 1) donate the land and 2) pay fees to develop the park facilities. If they don't have land to donate, they are required to pay higher fees. The fees are established and adjusted to ensure that they are updated reflect current costs although this sometimes does take time and can lag at times.

Chair Fernandez did ask when it would be a good time for the Commission to reach out to the Council. Presentation only covered an overview of what is included in the Master Plan document and identified what the needs and visions are for the future facilities. A copy of the Parks & Recreation

Master Plan document and presentation will be uploaded to the City's project website as well as the City's website www.ci.patterson.ca.us

Per Dan Falk, from Gates and Associates advised that this is the DRAFT document that has not been released for public review. There will be a public comment period, where the public and the commission will have the opportunity to review and comment. This process will allow for the master plan to be updated to address any comments received before it is adopted.

7.2. Downtown Revitalization Committee

Per Ex-Officio Andrade, no information to report at this time regarding this item.

7.3. Water Fountain Discussion

Commissioner Cooper advised that there is no item to discuss on this. City of Modesto has not gotten back to her with this information. This item is tabled to the next meeting.

8. Items from Committee Members

Commissioner Cooper brought up the downtown cut out on S. 3rd Street (between the vet office in the alleyway) drip system and planting easement. She advised that those need some attention and refurbished. The bark is faded and needs to be replaced. Ex-Officio to find out who is responsible for that area. Commissioner Cooper recalls this area is City responsibility. He explained that these areas are owned and maintained by the property owners (banks). She advised that the Garden Club cleaned out the weed at the flower bed area below the community's club sign monument on North Park at Las Palmas Avenue & Hwy 33.

Diana Hernandez informs committee that they will be hosting the following events:

- Movie Night at Tilton Park on Thursday, 7/28/22 @ 7pm. The Karate Kid will be shown. Free to the community.
- Dive In Movie Night at Aquatic Center on Saturday, 7/30/22. Movie will be "Luka." Admission is \$5 per person. Movie starts at 7:30 or dusk.
- National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2nd at the Community Complex (next to Skate Park area) from 6-8pm.
- Hazardous/E-Waste Event at the Community Center Parking Lot on Saturday, August 27th from 8am - 12pm. Event hosted by Public Works.
- Working on the new Activity Recreation Guide. Should be available soon for Fall Activities.

Chair Fernandez advised Diana that Commissioner Roman has purchased a popcorn machine for the commission to use at fund raising events. However, this machine can be used by Recreation for Movie Nights. This is just a loaner not a donation. She also has lots of popcorn that she can donate for movie nights.

She also mentioned doing something for the National Night Out event, but its too late to organize something. Maybe in the future the commission can do something in the future as well as collaborate with Recreation to volunteer at some events. Maybe for some of the fall events.

A member of the public requested more information on the Parks Master Plan. He was asked to submit contact information to Robert Andrade or Sonia Delgado through the chat.

6. Adjournment

With there being no further business, the City of Patterson Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m. Oscar motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Any questions or concerns, please email them to Sonia Delgado.

Minutes Prepared by:



Sonia Delgado

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