



Monday, September 23, 2024
City of Palm Springs
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, this meeting was conducted by teleconference and in-person public access to the meeting location.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the City of Palm Springs Parks & Recreation Commission was called to order at 5:32 PM by Chair Miraglia and the roll call was taken by Administrative Specialist Rylee Bates.

II. ROLL CALL:

COMMISSIONERS	PRESENT	EXCUSED
Donald Admire	X	
Daniel Ballister	X	
Johnny Coladonato	X	
Rod Davis	X	
Jody Diaz	X	
Nancy Ferguson	X	
Meredith Fine		X
Michael Finland	X	
John Miraglia	X	
Jase Nagaia		X
Charlie Roddy	X	

City Staff Present:

Lauri Aylaian, Interim Director of Parks & Recreation; John Brickley, Parks & Recreation Project Manager; Aaron Bergeson, Public Works Project Manager; Joel Montalvo, City Engineer.

III. REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA

The Agenda for this meeting was posted at City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way; the Palm Springs Leisure Center, 401 S. Pavilion Way; and the City of Palm Springs' website prior to 5:30 PM on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, as required by established policies and procedures.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF July 22, 2024

Motion: Commissioner Davis

Second: Commissioner Admire

Motion Carried: Yes

Noting the absence of Commissioner Fine and Commissioner Nagaia.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Correspondence was emailed to Commissioners prior to the Meeting.

Public Comments:

1. Edwin Monmor expressed support for the Demuth mural proposed project.

VI. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Interim Director Lauri Aylaian gave an overview of City Council agenda items pertaining to Parks & Recreation that were included on the most recent City Council meetings and also noted items on the upcoming City Council meeting. Interim Director Aylaian also gave an update on the Maintenance and Facilities updates that have been completed throughout the City, an update on department recruitments, reported on events that have happened over the last two months, and programs and events coming up that the Community should be aware of. Interim Director Aylaian also announced new extended hours for the Palm Springs Swim Center that gives an extra hour of swim on Sunday mornings. Lastly, we received an update from Director Aylaian, Parks & Recreation Project Manager John Brickley, Facilities Project Manager Aaron Bergeson, and City Engineer Joel Montalvo on any current or upcoming Capital Improvement and Measure J City projects.

VII. **PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS:**

A. ACTION: Measure J Applications

The Commission heard from six different groups who have submitted or will be submitting an application for the Measure J Community Initiated Projects funds in order to receive support for their individual proposed projects. After listening to all of the presentations, each Commissioner ranked their choices from 1-6 and submitted their forms to a staff member to tabulate.

B. PRESENTATION: Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update

The Commission received an overview of the next steps in the Palm Springs Parks & Recreation Master Plan process and presented the themes and next steps that have been identified as they work towards the completion of the document.

VIII. **AD-HOC UPDATES:**

Dog Park: Chair Miraglia stated that there are no updates.

Master Plan: Commissioner Davis stated that there are no further updates.

Park Enhancements: Commissioner Diaz stated that Victoria Park is open.

Pickleball: Commissioner Finland stated that the Ad-hoc gave presentations to both the Measure J Commission and City Council to request additional funding and both requests were approved. Commissioner Finland also gave an update on the timeline for the project.

Swim Center: Commissioner Admire stated that the pool updates have been touched on.

IX. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Diaz thanked staff for explaining the updates provided.

Vice-Chair Coladonato apologized for missing the last couple of meetings and that the ball field lights are "amazing".

Commissioner Ferguson stated that she volunteered at the Backpack giveaway and was impressed with the amount of community members that showed for the event.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no other business Chair Miraglia asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Commissioner Davis

Second: Commissioner Admire

Motion carried unanimously noting the absence of Commissioner Finland and Commissioner Nagaia.

The Parks & Recreation Commission adjourned at 7:52 PM with the next Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, October 28, 2024, via teleconference and in-person.

Respectfully submitted,

Rylee Bates _____

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