

**MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, October 5, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission met in a Regular Session at 7:01 p.m., Wednesday, October 5, 2022, in the Community Center, 10911 Oak St., Chair A. Duran presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commission Members: Bandak, Beck, A. Duran, K. Duran, Gallagher, Joseph, Murphy

Absent: Commission Members: N/A

Present: Staff: Emeline Noda, Director of Recreation & Community Services Department
Jennifer Sisoiev, Recreation Manager
Joanna Contreras, Recreation Supervisor
Steve Kim, Recreation Supervisor
Samantha Kenny, Recreation Coordinator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Duran led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Chair Duran opened Oral Communications. There being no one present requesting to speak, Vice-Chair Murphy closed Oral Communications.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 6, 2022
Motion/Second: Murphy/Bandak

May 4, 2022
Motion/Second: Beck/Bandak

June 1, 2022
Motion/Second: Joseph/Murphy

September 7, 2022
Motion/Second: Joseph/K. Duran

June 29, 2022
Motion/Second: Murphy/Bandak

July 13, 2022

Motion/Second: Bandak/K. Duran

Motion Carried: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission approved the Regular Meeting of April 6, 2022, May 4, 2022, June 1, 2022, September 7, 2022, and Special Meeting June 29, 2022, and July 13, 2022.

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. Findings Required by AB 361 for the Continued Use of Teleconferencing for Meetings

For the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission to continue to have the option to meet via teleconference during the pandemic, AB 361 requires the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission to make specific findings at least every thirty (30) days.

Recreation and Community Services Director Emeline Noda summarized the staff report.

Motion/Second: K. Duran/Joseph

Abstain: N/A

Motion Carried: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission the option to meet via teleconference during the pandemic.

B. Fall and Winter Offerings

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with a preview of Recreation fall and winter offerings

Recreation Supervisor Joanna Contreras summarized the staff report.

C. Adult Sports Preview

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission a highlight of all adult sports programs offered in 2022.

Recreation Coordinator Samantha Kenny summarized the staff report.

D. California Park & Recreation Society District 10 Volunteer Merit Award Nominee(s) 2023.

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with an opportunity to consider nominees for the 2023 California Park & Recreation Society (CPRS) District 10 Volunteer Merit Award.

Recreation Manager Jennifer Sisoiev summarized the staff report and requested CPR&CA Commissioners to select nominees for CPRS District 10 Volunteer Merit Award.

The California and Recreation Society (CPRS) District will notify and invite to the Awards and Installation Banquet date TBA for 2023. The City Council will

also be invited to attend along with the City Manager and Recreation and Community staff. The awards program recognizes and honors individuals and organizations who have contributed to the recreation profession and the quality of life within CPRS District 10. Each year the City of Los Alamitos nominates an individual and/or an organization to receive the Volunteer Merit Award. Nominations were taken from individual Commissioners and voted the following:

- Universal Waste System Inc. (UWS) – Organization: Motion/Second: A. Duran/Bandak
- Blair Pietrini founder of Grateful Hearts – Individuals: Motion/Second K. Duran/Murphy

8. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Emeline Noda, Director of Recreation & Community Services Department

- The Elevate Women's Conference will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Los Alamitos Community Center.
- Good Morning Los Al will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. at the Los Alamitos Community Center.
- Tickets will be on sale for Casino Royale Casino Night benefitting the Los Alamitos Community Foundation scheduled for Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Los Alamitos Community Center.
- Joanna will be sending email reminders on future event opportunities for PR&CA Commissioners.

Jennifer, Recreation Manager

- Expressed excitement about the Winter Brochure, as Senior Services Programs will be featured on the front cover of the brochure as well as the expansion of the older adult programs.

Joanna Contreras, Recreation Supervisor

- Expecting a baby boy in February 2023

Samantha Kenny, Recreation Coordinator

- Nothing to report

Steve Kim, Recreation Supervisor

- We are researching educational workshops/seminars and looking into using Measure M funds for transportation vouchers.

Due to the PR&CA Commission recommendation not to meet in the month of December 2022 and resume on January 11, 2023, the PR&CA Commission voted on the following Via Videoconference Special Meetings.

Via Videoconference Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2022, at Noon

Motion: A. Duran / K. Duran

Via Videoconference Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 29, 2022, at Noon

Motion: Murphy/A. Duran

7. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Beck

Nothing to report

Commissioner Bandak

Great job on the Street Fair and Glow in the Dark Run, commented that it was awesome! Was pleased with the relocation of the food trucks and the sparkler tower was mesmerizing for the runners and children. Also commented how great the touch a truck was and seeing the children gazing and smiling.

Commissioner Joseph

Nothing to report

Commissioner K. Duran

Nothing to report

Commissioner Gallagher

Nothing to report

Vice Chair Murphy

Nothing to report

Chair A. Duran

Thanked staff for the 5K Run, as it was Chair Duran's first year attending this event. It was very well done, thanked staff for everything that they do and commented how it is not an easy task. Thanked Vice Chair Murphy for covering on a couple of occasions this past year. Chair Duran attended Senior Club's Bingo Fundraiser on August 29, 2022, and would like to visit again tomorrow, August 6, 2022. Requested staff to research other ways to assist seniors with parking at the Community Center.

Requested staff when upgrading/renovating different park sites, to research different shade covering structures.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Attest:


Alex Duran, Chair


Emeline Noda
Director of Recreation & Community Services
Recreation & Community Services Department

