



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 13, 2014, 7:00pm
City Hall Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Avenue

1. **CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm; Present: Chairwoman Pearson, Vice Chair Abbott, Commissioners So, Kindle and Urbas**
2. **APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES:** February 13, 2014 Minutes: Motion made by Commissioner Kindle, Seconded by Vice Chair Abbott; All in favor, motion carried.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
For persons desiring to address the Commission/Committee/Board on an item that is not on the agenda please note that each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits the Committee's ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
5. **PRESENTATIONS**
6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
6-1: Tom Bates Sports Field: Roger Miller from the City of Berkeley to presented information about fee increases, budget and maintenance practices at the Tom Bates Sports Fields.

Discussion only, no action taken.
7. **NEW BUSINESS**
7-1: Pierce Street Park: Review of 65% plans for Pierce Street Park: John Hykes, lead architect for Pierce Street Park presented the 65% plans for the project.

That the Commission reviewed plans and made the following recommendations to Council:
 1. Add Solar Trash Cans
 2. Create spaces for 2-3 benches along the path
 3. Consider whether skateboard blocks are necessary
 4. Make sure proper drainage is considered
 5. Use Hydroseeding that will work at this location**7-2: Scheduling of Annual Park Evaluations:**

As a part of the Friends of Albany Parks program, two Commissioners will "adopt" a park, attend the Park Gala, report back to Parks and Recreation Commission and assist at the park Clean-Up Day. Chairwoman Pearson and Commissioner Kindle have adopted Memorial Park.
8. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
(Commissioners announce of requests for future agenda items. No public comment will be taken on announcement of future agenda items).
9. **ADJOURNMENT: 9:26 pm**