

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Thursday, July 10, 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 Kindle, Class, Nason and Urbas; Absent: So
- **2. APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES:** June 12, 2014; 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

- **5-1: Junior Terrace Park Rangers:** Luca Menotti and the JTPR gave a presentation to the Commission about the projects the Junior Rangers have been working on in Terrace Park.
- **5-2: Albany Little League Programs and Field Maintenance:** David Preuss from Albany Little League reviewed baseball programs in Albany and field maintenance contract for services with the City of Albany.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **6-1: Ohlone Greenway Improvements:** Landscape Architects Mia Docto and Robin Kim presented a proposal plan for Dartmouth to Marin and the Commission provided feedback.
- **6-2: Veteran's Memorial Building:** Discussed the possibility of submitting a work plan amendment request to the City Council to update the information previously gathered by the City relevant to the protection and potential rehabilitation of the Veterans Memorial Building.

Motion made by Commissioner Class: That the Commission submit the work plan amendment request, as written by Commissioner Nason, to City Council for consideration. Seconded by Commissioner Kindle. 4 in favor, 2 opposed; Motion carried.

6-3: Shrine of Freedom: Commission discussed the possibility of submitting a work plan amendment request to the City Council regarding the improvements at the Solano and Key Route Median and Shrine of Freedom.

No action was taken.

- **6-4: Friends of Albany Parks: Ocean View Park Clean Up Report:** Liam Kelly reported back to the Commission about the Ocean View Park Clean-Up event that took place on June 21, 2014.
- **6-5: Friends of Albany Parks:** Selected 2 Commissioners (Commissioners Urbas and Class) for September Gala and Clean-Up Day of Dartmouth Tot Lot

7. NEW BUSINESS

7-1: Naming of Pierce Street Park in memory of Peggy Thomsen: The Commission discussed submitting a formal nomination to rename Pierce Street in memory of Peggy Thomsen. Commissioner Class drafted a recommendation on behalf of the Parks & Recreation Commission to be submitted to the City Manager (as required by Resolution No. 2012-04).

Motion made by Commissioner Class to name Pierce Street Park in honor of Peggy Thomsen. Seconded by Commissioner Kindle. All in Favor; Motion Carried.

7-2: Tree Removal Application: The Commission considered the tree removal application at 936 Ramona Avenue.

Motion made by Vice Chair Abbott to approve the application for tree removal at 936 Ramona. Seconded by Chairwoman Pearson. 4 in Favor; 2 Opposed; Motion Carried.

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: 9:12 pm

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