

CITY OF REDLANDS
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
September 10, 2015
MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 4:01 pm - Attendance

Present: Roy Cencirulo, Chair
Patrick Hafley
Ryan Johnson
Don Gifford
Daniel Tang

Absent: Cathyleen Nece
Tina Sray Price
Kimberly Collins, Ph.D.

QOL Staff: Rick Cross
Jocelynn Santa Cruz
Kelsey Gormley

2. Public Comments: - None

3. Approval of Minutes – Daniel Tang motions to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2015 Special Meeting. The motion is seconded by Ryan Johnson, and all are in favor.

4. Action Items

- A. *Discussion and recommendation of possible CDBG project ideas -*
Roy reads over Tina's email, which contains a list of ideas for the possible use of CDBG funds. Patrick Hafley motions to ask Janet Miller about CDBG funding and to submit Tina's suggestions to council. The motion is seconded by Ryan Johnson, and the vote is in favor of the motion.
- B. *Presentation of proposed CFD funded park - Trojan Groves, Newland Homes Tract 18988, adjacent to Israel Beal Park -*
Community Facility District funds (CFD) are to be used for maintaining the new park, which will be adjacent to the Israel Beal Park. The introduction speaker, Kristin Tesoe, with Thatcher Engineering, asks that Development Impact Fees be waived. Explains how there are six acres of open space and three acres of natural space within the park. Additionally, the developers are proposing the addition of 2 acres of open space. Kristin expects to remove the existing chain link fence and shrubs in order to allow for the continuation of a road heading south from the original Israel Beal Park. Six fitness stations will be added by the Santa Ana river trail, and there will also be a water quality basin. Because development occurs in an infill site, the city mandates that the housing developers dedicate 25% of the land to open space. Although open space is required for the 82 building permits, the developers offer to turn the open space into a park (which will be added to the existing Israel Beal Park). A quarter mile loop is to exist within the park, and the drought resistant plants within the park will be watered with reclaimed water per request of the planning commission. Also, property owners in the region will pay an additional property tax for the maintenance of the new park. The impact fee of

developing these 82 houses is calculated to be \$336,950, which the developers ask to be waived. Ian Harvey from the developers explains that the creation of the park is largely a gift from the housing developers, and was not necessary for the development of the 82 houses. Continuing on, he states that the construction of the park will likely start with the construction of the 10th or 12th park, and the park will not be completed until approximately the 40th house will be completed. The following recommendations were: Ryan Johnson motions to accept the proposed park design, Don Gifford seconds; all in favor. Don motions to extend Israel Beal Park and waive the Development Impact fees; Ryan Johnson seconds -- all in favor. Patrick Hafley motions to defer land development until the 40th certificate of occupancy is issued; Daniel Tang seconds -- all in favor. Chairman Roy Cencirulo recommends the developer return to review plans with proposed fitness stations and tot lot before final approval.

5. Reports

- A. *Council liaison report*- Roy asks for a bimonthly update on the skate parks.
- B. *Park ranger program report* - Mike Questlong will be taking Stenzhorn's position in January as the park ranger liaison. As of August 31, 2015, the park rangers contributed just shy of 7100 volunteer hours, which is valued at \$150,000. In January 2016, another academy will be starting and recruitment will begin. Requirements are 18 and over, background check; residency in the City of Redlands is not required to become a park ranger. Currently, there are 45 park rangers, with about the same number of people on the citizen's volunteer patrol.
- C. *QOL staff report on parks activities* - Rick explains how the donation of new TV's allows for the return of senior Wii bowling to the senior center. Furthermore, Needle pointers will occur in October.
- D. *QOL staff report on current and future recreation activities* - Rick had a safe driving class for seniors, where the senior center worked with AARP to provide sizable car insurance discounts to those who took the class. The class went so well that it will be held again in November. Also, ballroom dance lessons are open to students now. Later, Roy takes note of the scarcity of computers in computer rooms; Rick responds explaining that the server is being fixed and that computers will be added in the near future.
- E. *Student liaison report on school projects, programs, and upcoming events* - Daniel describes that RHS homecoming (with the theme Arabian Knights) will occur near the end of September, while REV and Citrus will have their homecoming in October. He explains that open house for all high schools is the day of the meeting. RHS football beat Santiago, while RHS water polo lost to Santiago by one point. Also, RHS Cross Country recently raced in the Riverside showcase.

6. **Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting** – Don Gifford requests a bimonthly update on the skate parks.

7. **Adjournment to Next meeting: November 12, 2015, 4:00 pm, Council Chambers**