

CITY OF REDLANDS

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

MINUTES

DOUGLAS GONZALES, CHAIRMAN
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JUSTIN WEEKLEY, COMMISSIONER NOAH NGUYEN, STUDENT COMMISSIONER

The following information comprises the minutes for a special meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission which was held at **4:30 p.m.** on **Wednesday, January 24, 2024**, in the City Council Chambers, 35 Cajon Street, Suite #2.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Attendance.

- A. Present: ADAM HEBDEN, VICE CHAIRMAN; JOANNE LESSARD, COMMISSIONER; JUSTIN WEEKLEY, COMMISSIONER; SCOTT CARLSON, COMMISSIONER; NOAH NGUYEN, STUDENT COMMISSIONER
- B. Absent: DOUG GONZALES, CHAIRMAN

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were given.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding the Fire Demonstration Garden at Ford Park and potential plans to reprogram the space.
 - a. *Doug Grove of RHA gave a presentation about the upcoming Parks Master Plan development process. Commissioner Cencirulo asked about random sampling polling. Mr. Grove responded that a website will be live where residents can take an online poll about the future of parks in Redlands. Commissioner Cencirulo asked how the Commission's priority list will figure into the overall parks master plan. Mr. Grove responded that if community polling matches with the priority list projects, those projects will be incorporated into the master plan. Commissioner Cencirulo asked what RHA has improved over the years in their master plan development process. Mr. Grove responded that online polling has greatly improved alignment of master plan with community will. Commissioner Carlson asked how often a city should do a master plan. Mr. Grove responded that a survey every 5 years would be sufficient to keep up with population growth and changing community priorities. Commissioner Lessard commented that she would like to see open space and native plantings recommended in the master plan. Commissioner Nguyen asked how the plan would maintain existing open space. Mr. Grove responded that the master plan process will take open space, existing and recommended, into account. Asked when the plan will be ready, Mr. Grove responded that it would likely be March 2025.*

4. ADJOURNMENT AT 5:15 PM TO REGULAR MEETING on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 4:30 P.M.