



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2011**

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair James Kambe called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Kambe, King, Koblin, Nydam, and Olson all present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Public

None.

5. Approval of February 9, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes

M/S/C: Commissioner Olson/Nydam to approve the February 9, 2011 Commission Regular Meeting Minutes. 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Dilbeck Realtors Park Permit and Fee Waiver request for use of Memorial Park in support of Annual Easter-in-the-Park Event.

Staff Liaison Carl Alameda presented the request of Dilbeck Realtors for use of Memorial Park in support of their Annual Easter in the Park Event to be held Saturday, April 23, 2011.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kambe/Olson to approve the Park Permit request of Dilbeck Realtors for use of Memorial Park. 5-0.

7. Consideration of La Cañada Valley Sun Co-sponsorship agreement for the 2011 Music-in-the-Park Summer Concert Series.

Staff Liaison Carl Alameda presented the new proposal of the La Cañada Valley Sun to co-sponsor the 2011 Music in the Park Concert Series. For the 2011 series, the Valley Sun wishes to institute three (3) new elements to the partnership agreement, as follows:

1) The Valley Sun proposes to move into the position of the named sponsor of the series (i.e. The Valley Sun Concert Series).

2) The Valley Sun would like to ability to place additional sponsorship signage onsite during the Summer concerts.

3) The Valley Sun would request "Pass Through Rights" that would allow the Valley Sun to sale/solicit additional sponsorship support of the series, sharing 50 percent of the revenues with the City of La Cañada Flintridge.

The Commission discussed the proposal and was not supportive of the "commercialization" of the City's concert series. The Commission would be supportive of continuing the agreement under the previous terms

and would entertain allowing the Valley Sun to name the Movie events if they paid the \$1,000 per movie, which is reflective of the City's cost. If the Valley Sun is not responsive, the Commission would like City staff to approach the La Cañada Outlook on a potential co-sponsorship of the Series for 2011.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kambe/Koblin to reject the 2011 co-sponsorship proposal of the La Cañada Valley Sun and to offer previous terms to Valley Sun with opportunity to sponsor Movie events with monetary contribution. Direct City staff to approach the La Cañada Outlook should the Valley Sun not be interested in these stated terms. 5-0.

8. Discussion of future YMCA Tennis Program.

Staff Liaison Carl Alameda informed the Parks and Recreation Commission that the Crescenta/Cañada YMCA approached the City about potentially creating a tennis program in the future using the City Tennis Courts at La Cañada High School. The usage would be for a fee and would not require a fee waiver request to be considered by the Commission.

However, since this would be the first ongoing reservation of public tennis courts City staff wanted to get the input of the Commission on long term reservations of the public courts.

The Commission discussed the request and stated they are comfortable with providing an exclusive reservation of the tennis courts. The reservation at peak periods (weekdays after 5:00 p.m.) should be no more than 2 courts or twenty-five (25%) percent of the available tennis court space.

Addition of Item to the Agenda: Staff Liaison informed the Commission that an item had been received from the LCHS Green Club for a proposed event at Memorial Park after the posting of the agenda. The event is scheduled to be held prior to the next Commission meeting. In order to add the request to the agenda a minimum for four votes from the Commission is required to discuss the item.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kambe/Koblin to add the request of the LCHS Green Club for consideration by the Commission at the current March 9, 2011 meeting. 5-0.

Staff Liaison Carl Alameda presented the request of the LCHS Green Club to hold a Green Club Fundraiser in Memorial Park on Saturday, March 26, 2011. Alameda noted that the hillside construction would still be taking place on this date and the availability of electricity could be affected and that noise might also be an issue. Alameda suggested that the Commission approve the request and have City staff work with the user on an alternative location and/or date.

The Commission felt that the gazebo is far enough removed from the construction area and would support approving the request as it stands.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kambe/Koblin to approve the Park Permit and Fee Waiver request of the LCHS Green Club for use of Memorial Park.
5-0.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

9. Staff Comments.

Staff Liaison Carl Alameda informed the Commission that the Memorial Park hillside stabilization project does not include a plan to provide a direct access gate from the parking lot at LCE into Memorial Park as Commissioner King asked about at the prior meeting.

10. Items for Future Agendas.

Commissioner Koblin would like to discuss, in the future, the process for issuance of permits to groups seeking permits for field usage.

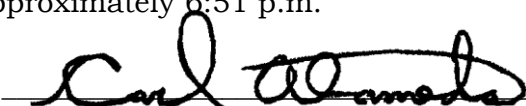
Chair Kambe would like to discuss the status of the request for the installation of a Shade Structure in Memorial Park.

11. Comments from the Commission.

Chair Kambe stated that there is a trash can on the Gould Canyon Trail adjacent to Paradise Canyon Elementary that has been overflowing for some time.

ADJOURN

Chair Kambe adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:51 p.m.


Carl Alameda, Senior Management Analyst
(Staff Liaison to the Commission)