



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017**

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Olson, Decker and Kamar present. Commissioner Koblin arrived at 6:22 p.m. Commissioner Kambe absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Public

None

5. Approval of January 8, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

M/S/C: Commissioner Kamar/Decker to Approve the January 8, 2017 Commission Regular Meeting Minutes, as amended. (3-0), Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

6. The Girls on the Run of Los Angeles County Permit and Fee Waiver Request for use of the FIS Lower Field Track.

Molly Snow, Executive Director of the Girls on the Run of Los Angeles County presented the background on the program and their request for usage of the FIS Lower Field track, for the after school running program.

Snow informed the Commission that Countywide the program has over 1,000 participants and the local La Cañada Flintridge Chapter has 12 girls, who all are residents of the City. The program consists of 30 sessions over a period of 10 weeks.

Commissioner Kamar asked how the organization advertises for participants. Snow replied they depend on word of mouth to promote the program. Commissioner Kamar suggested Snow consider contacting the local newspapers in the community to better advertise the program offered.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kamar/Olson to approve the Field Permit and Fee Waiver request of the Girls on the Run of Los Angeles County for use of the FIS Lower Field track. 3-0.

7. Dilbeck Real Estate Permit and Fee Waiver Request for use Memorial Park.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda presented the request of Dilbeck for their annual usage of Memorial Park in support of their Annual Easter in the Park event.

M/S/C: Commissioner Olson/Decker to approve the Park Permit and Fee Waiver request of Dilbeck for use of Memorial Park. 3-0.

8. Discussion of the 2017 Music in the Park Summer Concert Series.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda presented the proposed dates for the 2017 Summer Concert Series and an overview of the schedule of bands from the prior years. Alameda reviewed the proposed regulations for attendees of the concerts carrying over from last year and new tools to be implemented for 2017. One new action, to be taken by the City, is the placement of signs reflecting the regulations at the entrances to the park to remind attendees of these rules meant for the enjoyment of all concert attendees.

The Commission would like to see the 2017 concert series extend through the Labor Day weekend, as was done in 2016.

The Commission identified: Captain Cardiac, Misplaced Priorities, and Past Action Heroes as three bands they would like to see participate in the 2017 concert series. It was noted by Commissioner Koblin that Misplaced Priorities would like to have a concert date in early June 2017.

The Commission stated that there were a few bands that took an extensive break during their concerts in 2016. They would like that all bands are reminded of the duration of the break period allowed under the contract. One band that took an extremely long break in 2016, was "The Long Run".

Commissioner Decker would like to continue to work in a variety of music, as the past line-ups are heavy classic rock bands or covers. She would like to see alternate types of music like a 90s cover band.

Alameda stated that staff will begin scheduling the 2017 concert series and will take the input of the Commission into account.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

9. Staff Comments.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda informed the Commission a request was made to add the name of a veteran of the Vietnam War to the Memorial Plaque located on the gazebo at Memorial Park. The person had passed away recently of complications from cancer. The origin of the cancer was suspected of being caused, decades later, from exposure to Agent Orange. Alameda stated the Memorial Plaques have been reserved for residents or those who attended school within the City, who were killed in active military duty.

Alameda said that while this is a devastating loss for a family, he has concerns of the ability City staff would have on making future determinations related to medical outcomes decades after a veteran's service. He will be talking to those who made the request, to explain this and if they still wish to pursue, the issue may come to the Parks and Recreation Commission for discussion.

10. Items for Future Agendas.

Commissioner Decker stated she would like the Fitness Program on a future agenda for discussion.

11. Comments from the Commission.

Vice Chair Kamar stated he had been asked by LCBSA about the potential water fountain at the FIS Lower Field. LCBSA has budgeted \$2,000 as a donation toward the project.

Commissioner Decker stated the Fire Department has a program to give away trees and this could be marketed on Earth Day, which is Saturday, April 22, 2017.

ADJOURN

Chair Olson adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.



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