



**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2016**

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Jim Kambe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Berkuta, Kamar, Kambe and Olson present.

Commissioner Koblin absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Public

None

5. Approval of April 13, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

M/S/C: Commissioner Berkuta/Olson to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2016. (4-0).

NEW BUSINESS

6. 2016 Music-in-the-Park Summer Concert Series Schedule.

Senior Management Analyst Parseghian presented the final 2016 Music-in-the-Park Summer Concert Series Schedule.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda highlighted the two new acts, U2 Tribute and Journey Tribute, this year.

7. Discussion of Fiscal Year 2016-17 Parks and Recreation Budget Requests.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda provided a brief overview of the budget process. He presented the list of potential projects and joint use projects for the Commission to consider. He stated the Commission could also add other projects that may not be listed. He asked the Commission to prioritize a list of projects they would support. He also provided a brief description of the listed projects.

Chair Kambe stated his support of resurfacing the FIS Tennis Courts on Cornishon Avenue.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda stated staff did apply, without success, for a grant to improve and resurface the FIS Tennis

Courts. The Joint Use Committee has not placed this project as a high priority on their Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Chair Kambe stated having support from the School District would help in expediting the project. Given the majority of the usage on the FIS Tennis Courts is the La Cañada High School Tennis program.

Commissioner Berkuta suggested building new restrooms at Memorial Park.

Commissioner Kamar stated his support of replacing the Cornishon Field fence and gate.

Chair Kambe stated his priority would be the Replacement of the Cornishon Field Fence followed by Cherry Canyon Projects. He also supports the baseball netting project. He stated his opposition to the Memorial Park Monument sign.

Commissioner Olson stated his priority would be LCE shade structure followed by Cherry Canyon Trail projects. He also did not support the Memorial Park Monument sign.

Commissioner Kamar also stated there was an interested by an eagle scout to repaint the FIS Tennis Court walls. He also asked for an update regarding the Lanterman Auditorium air condition project.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda stated there are various factors involved. He stated under the Joint Use Agreement, if the City invests \$20,000 or more, the City would automatically receive a 10-year extension. Also, the project did not qualify to be funded through Southern California Edison financing program, as originally planned.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda summarized the priorities of the Commission as follows: Replacement of Cornishon Fence and Cherry Canyon Projects as the top priorities. He stated all the projects will be presented to the Council with the priorities identified.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

11. Staff Comments.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda provided updates regarding the Commission new appointments. He stated the City's new Mayor Curtis has requested local community groups to present at the first City Council meeting of the month to talk about their organization. He also provided an update regarding the Community Center Lease agreement negotiations.

Senior Management Analyst Parseghian provided updated regarding missing FIS Regulation Sign. He provided explanation regarding the Pasadena Humane Society's presence at Memorial Park. He stated they were responding to complaints received regarding dogs being off leash at Memorial Park.

Senior Management Analyst Parseghian thanked Commissioner Berkuta for his years of service with the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Community.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda also thanked Commissioner Berkuta for his service as commissioner for the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda provided an update regarding the leash optional zone on a trail project. He stated Southern California Edison has denied the City's request to create a leash optional zone on their property. He stated, staff will bring this item back to the Commission to look at alternative locations.

12. Items for Future Agendas.

None

13. Comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Berkuta asked staff to monitor the new proposed parks assessment program. He stated the City conduct a parks needs assessment in support of this proposed program. He also stated, based on an article he read, the City may end up not receive much funding through the program.

Commissioner Olson and Kamar thanked Commissioner Berkuta for his service.

Chair Kambe also stated his appreciation for Commissioner Berkuta's years of service.

ADJOURN

Chair Kambe adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:50 p.m.

**Arabo Parseghian, Senior Management Analyst
(Staff Liaison to the Commission)**