



**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2017**

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**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Roll Call**

Commissioners Olson, Decker, Kambe, Koblin and Kamar present.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Comments from the Public**

None

**5. Approval of July 12, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes**

M/S/C: Commissioner Decker/Koblin to Approve the July 12, 2017  
Commission Special Meeting Minutes. (5-0), Approved.

**PRESENTATION**

**6. Community Group Presentation Series - Community Center**

Maureen Bond, Community Center Executive Director, presented on several services and programs offered by the Community Center for senior citizens.

Chair Kamar asked about the transportation methods utilized by the seniors who attend Community Center events.

Ms. Bond stated that the Community Center does not provide transportation. She stated attendees drive themselves or use the City's Dial-A-Ride services.

Ms. Bond stated the need of a senior committee to assist with planning events. She also stated that most of the attendees are La Cañada Flintridge residents.

Commissioner Kambe asked if there are unique features or challenges of the Senior Services provided compared to other cities.

Ms. Bond stated the main aspect missing from La Cañada Flintridge senior services is a meal plan. She stated other senior services providers serve lunch as part of their programming. She stated there are also marketing challenges with promoting classes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**7. Permit and Fee Waiver Requests:**

**A. La Cañada Spartans use of La Cañada Elementary Athletic Field**

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

Jack Kozakar, presented the La Cañada Spartans' request.

M/S/C: Commissioner Olson/Koblin to approve the Park Permit and Fee Waiver request of the La Cañada Spartans use of La Cañada Elementary Athletic Field. 5-0.

**B. Paradise Canyon PTA use of Paradise Canyon Elementary Athletic Field**

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Koblin/Olson to approve the Park Permit and Fee Waiver request of the Paradise Canyon PTA use of Paradise Canyon Elementary Athletic Field. 5-0.

**8. Review of the Music in the Park 2017 Summer Series.**

The Commission discussed the Music in the Park events. The Commission requested opportunity to provide more input on the band selection. There were concerns regarding bands that draw large outside attendees to the City.

Vice Chair Decker stated her support in bringing back Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra, Brian Lynn Jones & the Misfit Cowboys, Hollywood U2, and David Sagal, and Misplaced Priorities.

Commissioner Olson stated his support of Pat Benetar Tribute and Tribute to Neil Diamond. He requested not bringing back Past Action Heroes, Captain Cardiac and Journey Tribute. He stated that he observed these groups taking longer breaks, not starting on time or ending too early.

Commissioner Kambe also stated several bands are not following the City's guidelines and rules when it comes to their performance, including ending early or not starting on time.

Division Manager Parseghian requested input from the Commission regarding the issue of Music in the Park attendees setting up earlier in the day for the evening concerts. He stated the City received complaints regarding the unavailability of the park prior to the concert due to blankets and chairs taking up space.

Commissioner Kambe cautioned about over regulating activities at the park.

Chair Kamar suggested having bands that draw large crowds moved to dates with traditionally low turnout.

**CONCLUDING BUSINESS**

**9. Staff Comments.**

Division Manager Parseghian informed the Commission of the Mayor's Hike on October 16. He also provided update regarding the completion of the Eagle Scout wall painting project at FIS Lower Field.

Division Manager Parseghian provided update regarding future agenda items: field closure discussion in November, user group field request discussion in December and review of Municipal Code governing park usage.

**10. Items for Future Agendas.**

Commissioner Olson asked for a future agenda item to discuss music in the park during the holiday season.

Division Manager Parseghian stated the next step for the Senior Citizens' Needs Assessment was to continue the presentation series and identify key areas to address at a future meeting.

Chair Kamar asked to invite state legislators to discuss senior citizens' needs with the Commission.

**11. Comments from the Commission.**

None

**ADJOURN**

Chair Kamar adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

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**Arabo Parseghian, Division Manager  
(Staff Liaison to the Commission)**