



**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017**

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Olson, Decker, Koblin and Kamar present.

Commission Kambe absence was noted.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Public

None

5. Approval of September 13, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

M/S/C: Commissioner Olson/Koblin to Approve the September 13, 2017
Commission Regular Meeting Minutes. (4-0-1), Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Permit and Fee Waiver Requests:

A. La Cañada Spartans use of Palm Crest Elementary Athletic Field

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Koblin/Kamar to approve the Permit and Fee
Waiver request of the La Cañada Spartans use of Palm Crest
Elementary Athletic Field. 4-0-1.

B. La Cañada Spartans Use of La Cañada Elementary Athletic Field

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Koblin/Decker to approve the Permit and Fee
Waiver request of the La Cañada Spartans use of the La Cañada
Elementary Athletic Field. 4-0-1.

C. La Cañada Girl Scouts Use of Glenola Park

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Olson/Decker to approve the Park Permit and
Fee Waiver request of the La Cañada Girl Scouts use of Glenola Park.
4-0-1.

D. Compassionate Friends Use of Memorial Park

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Koblin/Decker to approve the Park Permit and Fee Waiver request of the Compassionate Friends use of Memorial Park. 4-0-1.

PRESENTATION

1. Community Group Presentation Series - Community Center (Re-ordered)

Tyler Wright, YMCA Chief Executive Officer, presented on several services and programs offered by the YMCA for senior citizens. He stated that the main issue facing senior citizens is not a lack of programming, rather a lack of collaboration among groups that provide services.

Vice Chair Decker stated the importance in reaching out to seniors to ensure awareness and participation in the services provided and ensuring that the programming is integrated into the greater community..

Commissioner Koblin stated the importance of leveraging resources of organizations throughout the community to serve the aging population.

Chair Kamar stated that senior couples who lose one partner face a unique difficulty in that they struggle to readjust having relied on one other for decades.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

9. Staff Comments.

None

10. Items for Future Agendas.

Commission Decker asked to evaluate continuing the health and wellness activities at the park.

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

11. Comments from the Commission.

None

ADJOURN

Chair Kamar adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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



**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017**

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Decker, Kambe and Kamar present.

Commissioners Koblin and Olson absence was noted.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Public

Mrs. Behraz Sohrab, 1045 Olive Lane, representing Bahai Community, volunteered the group to work with the City on a community unity project.

5. Approval of October 19, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes

M/S/C: Commissioner Decker/Kamar to continue the approval of the October 19, 2017 Commission Special Meeting Minutes to a future meeting. (3-0-2), Continued.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Permit and Fee Waiver Requests:

A. La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce use of Memorial Park

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kambe/Decker to approve the Permit and Fee Waiver request of the La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce use of Memorial Park. 3-0-2.

7. Discussion of 2018 Joint Use Field Closure Dates

Division Manager Parseghian presented the staff report.

M/S/C: Commissioner Kambe/Decker to approve the 2018 Field Closures dates closing the PCR, LCF, and FIS Fields from July 9 – July 22, 2018; the LCHS JV/Varsity Baseball Fields from July 14 – August 12, 2018; and the Oak Grove Field from July 14 – August 12, 2018. 3-0-2.

8. Discussion of Synthetic Turf on the Oak Grove Field

Director of Administrative Services Alameda presented the staff report.

Chair Kamar asked if the new bond passed by the voters for the District can be used for this project.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda stated it cannot. He stated bonds are specifically tied to line items and the project was not included in the bond.

Commissioner Kambe asked what the City's expectation was for the percentage of contributions necessary by the user groups.

Director of Administrative Services Alameda stated the contribution expectation is generally tied to the level of field use by the user groups. He stated realistically the project would not get City support if the user groups contributions covered less than 50 percent of the project cost.

Commissioner Decker stated her concerns with the potential increase use by non-baseball groups due to this project. She also stated the project was brought up at the Joint Use Committee meeting by the District for consideration without District support of funding the project.

Commissioner Kambe voiced his concern with bringing in more users as a funding mechanism. He cautioned against indirectly giving exclusive usage to user groups that contribute to the project.

Chair Kamar asked to move the item to the December meeting for further discussion with the Commission and the user groups.

Division Manager Parseghian suggested including the FIS/Cornishon Tennis Court Resurfacing Project in the discussion.

M/S/C: Commissioner Decker/Kambe to continue the discussion of the Synthetic Turf on the Oak Grove Field and any other projects at the December Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. 3-0-2.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

9. Staff Comments.

Division Manager Parseghian stated the Senior Citizens Needs Assessment Community Group presentations will continue in January.

10. Items for Future Agendas.

Commission Decker asked to evaluate continuing the health and wellness activities at the park.

11. Comments from the Commission.

None

ADJOURN

Chair Kamar adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

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