

Regular Meeting
Parks, Recreation, Marina and Cultural Commission
January 15, 2013
Martinez, CA

A regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, Marina and Cultural Commission was called to order by Chair Radke, Council Chambers, City Hall, 525 Henrietta Street, Martinez at 7:00 p.m. on January 15, 2013.

ROLL CALL

Staff present: City Engineer Tim Tucker.

PRESENT: Brian Eychner, Commissioner, John Fuller, Commissioner, Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner, Donald Pallotta, Commissioner, Richard Patchin, Commissioner, and Dylan Radke, Chair.

EXCUSED: None. Commissioner Karen Bell-Patton, Commissioner Gay Gerlack

ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Laura Philpot, Chair of the Economic Development Committee for the Martinez Chamber of Commerce, introduced herself to the Commission.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes December 18, 2013

Commissioner Patchin made changes to the minutes, clarifying the opening paragraph. He also clarified that on page 2, a reference to the building moldings in the library should say "for hanging bulletin boards."

On motion by Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner, seconded by Donald Pallotta, Commissioner, to approve the Minutes of December 18, 2012, as amended. Motion unanimously passed 6 - 0. Yes: Brian Eychner, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Donald Pallotta, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner , Dylan Radke, Chair.

Recreation Staff Report

No comments made.

Park Maintenance

No comments made.

PRMCC SUB -COMMITTEE REPORTS

Measure H update

City Engineer Tim Tucker updated the Commission regarding the possibility of combining the contracts of Nancy Boyd, Cappy Ricks and Hidden Valley Parks, the renovation of Waterfront Park, relocation of the Skate Park entrance, and denial of the grant application for renovation of the fishing pier. In response to a question from Commissioner Eychner, Mr. Tucker also gave an

update regarding the restrooms near the bocce ball courts, hopefully to be completed by the end of the bocce season.

Dog Park

Mr. Tucker reported on the meeting of the dog park subcommittee, at which it was determined that the detention basin site could not support both separate areas for small and large dogs, but with proper signage a combined area might be workable. He also discussed street parking, water availability, ADA access, possible construction of a pedestrian bridge to Pleasant Hill Road east, and consideration of a small dog park at Golden Hills Park.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Guideline

Mr. Tucker responded to past desire expressed by the Commission regarding inclusion of an agenda plan in the monthly PRMCC agenda packet and staff's addition of target dates under "Future Agenda Items." He noted that additional changes can be made after a few months using this format. He also reviewed items that may not have been previously addressed, and he asked the Commission to consider which ones need to be added back in.

Commissioner Pallotta asked whether the previously unscheduled items could be added under Future Agenda Items with or without dates. Mr. Tucker said yes.

Chair Radke asked about Special Event costs; Mr. Tucker acknowledged previous frustration experienced by the Commission because of their inability to make changes in this area. Commissioner Pallotta suggested removing it, but Commissioner Patchin commented on heavy expenses that the City sometimes incurs from the special events.

Mr. Tucker noted that Systems Analyst Mike Chandler is researching flat fees that could be charged for the events; he indicated he would follow up with Mr. Chandler and report back to the Commission. Commissioner Olsson asked whether the fees are more symbolic than reflective of actual costs incurred. Mr. Tucker acknowledged that the fees do not fully subsidize the impacts of the events.

Commissioner Pallotta asked that the restrooms at Ferry Point Park be added to the list as well.

On motion by Donald Pallotta, Commissioner, seconded by Brian Eychner, Commissioner, to approve the six previously-unscheduled agenda items in the staff report to the list of "Future Agenda Items", including tentative dates where appropriate, and one additional item as well (Ferry Point Restrooms). Motion unanimously passed 6 - 0. Yes: Brian Eychner, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Donald Pallotta, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner, Dylan Radke, Chair.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. *Conditions of the trees in Susana Park (March)*

- b. *Play equipment at the Kiwanis Building (February)*
- c. *Revisit the meeting City Council and PRMCC (February)*
- d. *Relocating entrance to Skateboard Park (Park Subcommittee)*
- e. *Marina improvements (June)*

Commissioner Pallotta asked that Item b, Play Equipment at the Kiwanis Building, be pulled, due to cost considerations.

Commissioner Olsson asked why the Marina is not scheduled until June. Mr. Tucker explained that the feasibility study for a restaurant and hotel at the marina have not been completed yet; once it is complete the City's Marina contract person, Mitch Austin, will make a presentation to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER & STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Pallotta reported that the library attendant has resigned, and the position needs to be filled. He and Chair Radke asked for a copy of the original job listing and the agreement between the City and the library, and staff agreed to add this to the February meeting agenda under "New Business."

Commissioner Pallotta also reported that the phone that the Commission recommended has now been added at the library. He also expressed interest in more formal recycling in the City parks. Commissioner Eychner suggested checking with the local trash company to see how garbage is sorted at the transfer station and add this issue to the next agenda as well.

CORRESPONDENCE - None.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Donald Pallotta, Commissioner, seconded by Brian Eychner, Commissioner, adjourn at 7:47 p.m. to the next regular meeting on February 19, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a site visit to USA Sports, then NorCal Courts in the Zocchi buildings, then reconvening at City Hall at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. Motion unanimously passed 6 - 0. Yes: Brian Eychner, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Donald Pallotta, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner , Dylan Radke, Chair.