

**MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, April 6, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission met in a Regular Session at 7:35 p.m., Wednesday, April 6, 2022, in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Ave., Chair Duran presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commission Members: Bandak, Beck, A. Duran, Joseph, Murphy

Absent: Commission Members: K. Duran (excused), Joseph (excused)

Present: Staff:
Emeline Noda, Director of Recreation & Community Services
Jennifer Sisoev, Recreation Manager
Joanna Contreras, Recreation Supervisor
Steve Kim, Recreation Supervisor
Samantha Kenny, Recreation Coordinator
Lauren Pavelec, Clerical Assistant
Alix Anderson, Recreation Specialist
Gilberto Arteaga-Ceja, Recreation Specialist
Cassidy Given, Community Services Coordinator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Duran led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Chair Duran opened Oral Communications. There being no one present requesting to speak, Chair Duran closed Oral Communications.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Due to lack of quorum from the March meeting, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission deferred the approval of minutes for the Regular Meeting of February 2, 2022.

Motion/Second: Bandak/Murphy

Abstain: N/A

Motion Carried: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission approved the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2022.

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. Findings Required by AB 361 for the Continued Use of Teleconferencing for Meetings

For the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission to continue to have the option to meet via teleconference during the pandemic, AB 361 requires the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission to make specific findings at least every thirty (30) days.

Recreation Director, Emeline Noda summarized the staff report.

Motion/Second: Beck/Bandak

Abstain: N/A

Motion Carried: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission the option to meet via teleconference during the pandemic.

B. Employee of the Quarter

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with information regarding the Los Alamitos Recreation & Community Services Department Employee of the Quarter.

Recreation Manager, Jennifer Sisoiev summarized the staff report.

C. Preschool Age Programs

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission with a preview of Preschool Age Programs.

Community Services Coordinator, Cassidy Given summarized the staff report.

D. Los Alamitos Volunteer Program (L.A.V.P.), Counselors in Training (C.I.T.) and Youth In Government

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission upcoming programming for Los Alamitos Volunteer Program / Youth in Government / Counselors in Training.

Recreation Coordinator, Samantha Kenny summarized the staff report.

E. Labourdette Park Renovation Proposal

This report provides the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission with the proposed renovations of Labourdette Park.

Director of Recreation and Community Services Department, Emeline Noda summarized the staff report.

7. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Emeline Noda, Director of Recreation & Community Services Department

- Please join us in congratulating Steve Kim as our new Recreation Supervisor. Steve has been with the City since 2013 and started as a Recreation Leader and worked hard through the years, rising through the ranks to Recreation Supervisor.
- Thank you for coming out, judging, supporting and walking through the Weekend of Art and appreciating the art. Our creative team worked really hard on this event and the PTA Reflections Artwork was a success. We received many compliments at the district level, and they have requested to continue our partnership for this event.
- Recreation and Community Services staff along with the City Manager, Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, and Park, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commissioners will attend the California Park and Recreation Society (CPRS) District 10 Awards and Installation Banquet on Thursday, April 7, 2022, at the Center at Founders Village in Fountain Valley. Volunteer Merit Award Winners will be recognized including Cottonwood Church and the 5th Grade Team at Lee Elementary School. The 5th Grade Team at Lee will be unable to attend due to their Open House and will be recognized at the May 16 City Council meeting.
- Parks Recreation and Cultural Arts Chair, Vice-Chair and Commissioners are invited to attend June 20, 2022, City Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. to receive Proclamation for Parks Make Life Better Month. July is recognized by the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) as "Parks Makes Life Better" month.

Joanna Contreras, Recreation Supervisor

- The Recreation team was excited for the promotion of Mackenzie Dunlop from Recreation Leader to Senior Recreation Leader. Mackenzie began working for the Recreation and Community Services Department in April 2021 and has grown her knowledge and skill level and is a fantastic team member and leader.
- We have 50 participants registered for Co-ed Youth Volleyball League and are in the fourth week of the program. The teams are very excited and have their own team banners for display. Games are every Friday at Oak Middle School Gym between 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Next Tuesday we will begin our co-ed youth track and field program. The program is for participants in 1st-8th grade and consists of one practice per week at Oak Middle School from April 12 through May 24. The program currently has 35 participants enrolled. We currently have two staff that are track and field athletes and they are excited to share their wisdom.

8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Bandak

- Nothing to Report

Commissioner Beck

- Nothing to Report

Vice Chair Murphy

- Nothing to Report

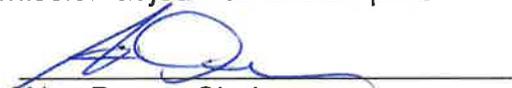
Chair Duran

- Amazing job as always! Thank you for everything!

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Attest:


Alex Duran, Chair



Emeline Noda
Director of Recreation & Community Services
Recreation & Community Services Department