



THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022
701 East Carson Street
Carson Event Center, Adult Activity Room
6:30 PM

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA

Commissioners

Chair Jesus-Alex Cainglet | Vice-Chair Walter Gonzalez | Secretary Kisa Hilliard | Kim Cortado | Cesar Dahilig | Clarence Dunning | Edwina Hunter | DeAnthony Langston | Oscar Ramos

Alternates

Shannon Lawrence (Alternate 1) | Jo Jacqueline Johnson (Alternate 2) | Rudolfo Brillantes (Alternate 3)

Staff

Michael Whittiker, Director | Tim Grierson, Recreation Superintendent | Bobby Grove, Community Services Superintendent | Luchie Magante, Principal Administrative Analyst | Evelyn Castaneda, Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC INFORMATION

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Principal Administrative Analyst (PAA) Luchie Magante at 6:45 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Walter Gonzalez, Vice-Chair Jesus-Alex Cainglet, Secretary Kim Cortado, Cesar Dahilig; Clanence Dunning, Edwina Hunter (entered at 6:50 PM), DeAnthony Langston (entered at 6:55 PM), Oscar Ramos, Jo Jacqueline Johnson, Rudolpho Brillantes

Absent: Kisa Hilliard, Shannon Lawrence

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Gonzalez.

PRESENTATIONS

1 2022-041-PRCAC

SENIOR BASKETBALL

Community Services Superintendent (CSS) Bobby Grove provided a brief report on Senior Basketball.

Chair Gonzalez asked if the players are residents or non-residents. CSS Grove responded that they are mostly residents as they are park locals.

Secretary Cortado asked if there would be more participants if the program was open longer. Commissioner Cainglet stated that players move from Foisia Park to Carson Park if they wish to play longer.

PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The public may address the Commission on any matters within the jurisdiction of the Carson Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission or on any items on the agenda of the Carson Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission, prior to any action taken on the agenda. Speakers are limited to no more than three minutes, speaking once. Oral communications will be limited to one (1) hour unless extended by order of the Chair with the approval of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission. Due to the threat of COVID-19 (aka the "Coronavirus"), you are urged to take all appropriate health safety precautions.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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COMMUNITY SERVICES/PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT JUNE 2022 REPORT

Attachments: [Monthly Report - JUNE Recreation Updates](#)

ACTION: It was moved to receive and file Consent Calendar Item No. 2 on motion of Secretary Cortado, seconded by Vice-Chair Cainglet and unanimously carried by vote of 9-0.

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AUGUST 2022 PROGRAMS-AT-A-GLANCE/THE SPOTLIGHT/PARKS ASSIGNMENTS

Attachments: [August PAAG](#)

Chair Gonzalez noted that there was only one (1) program listed at Carson Park.

Secretary Cortado asked about purchasing tickets to the Boxing Showcase. Recreation Superintendent (RS) Tim Grierson responded that due to a shortage of boxing judges the event was postponed.

ACTION: It was moved to receive and file Consent Calendar Item No. 3 on motion of Secretary Cortado, seconded by Commissioner Johnson and unanimously carried by vote of 9-0.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

DISCUSSION

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PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION ELECTIONS/NOMINATIONS

Recommendation: ELECT a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and a Secretary among the members.

Attachments: [Chapter 7, Section 2738](#)

All positions were vacated to hold the election of Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.

Commissioner Ramos requested a clarification if Regular or Alternates could serve as Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary. RS Grierson responded that only regular members are eligible to serve in these positions.

Commissioner Cainglet asked if the term would be from August to August, as the elections were being held later than normal. RS Grierson responded that per the Municipal Code which dictated that terms are from July to July, the term would be from August to July. Commissioner Cainglet also asked how the vote will be conducted. Members wished to do an oral vote.

Commissioner Cainglet asked if there were term limits for these positions. RS Grierson responded that per the Municipal Code, there were no term limits.

Chair

ACTION: Commissioner Cainglet was nominated by Commissioner Ramos, seconded by Commissioner Dahilig to serve as Chair of the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission. Commissioner Cainglet accepted the nomination. Commissioner Cainglet was unanimously elected Chair by a vote of 10-0.

With his election, Chair Cainglet led the meeting.

Vice-Chair

ACTION: Commissioner Gonzalez was nominated by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Ramos to serve as the Vice-Chair of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission. Commissioner Gonzalez accepted the nomination. Commissioner Gonzalez was unanimously elected Vice-Chair by a vote of 10-0.

Secretary

ACTION: Commissioner Hillard was nominated by Commissioner Ramos, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to serve as Secretary of the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission. Although she was absent from the meeting, her nomination was permitted to move forward. Commissioner Hillard was elected Secretary by a vote of 6 yeas and 4 abstentions, upon her acceptance of the position.

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CITY OF CARSON'S 55TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE report.

PAA Magante provided a brief summary of the most recent activities related to the planning and coordination of 55th Anniversary Special Events.

Commissioner Brillantes requested more information about the marketing of the Special Events. CSC Grove stated that there is a subcommittee to handle marketing. Different tools will be used to get the word out.

Several Commissioners stated that they were looking forward to attending the meetings.

ACTION: It was moved to receive and file the report on a motion of Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Dunning and unanimously approved by a vote of 9-0.

Commissioner Cortado exited the meeting at 7:29 PM and returned at 7:32 PM.

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YOUTH SPORTS REGISTRATION FEES

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE

Attachments: [Youth Sports Subsidy - July 19, 2022](#)
[Youth Sports Subsidy - Exhibit](#)

RS Grierson presented a brief summary of this item.

Vice-Chair Gonzalez asked how residency is confirmed. RS Grierson responded that ActiveNet has a data base of all City addresses.

Commissioner Cortado commented that residents who have contacted City Hall and the Community Services Offices have been told that staff was not aware of this program. RS Grierson replied that staff would receive information regarding the Subsidy.

ACTION: It was moved to receive and file the report on a motion from Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Brillantes and carried by a vote of 9 yeas and 1

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GRANTS RECEIVED

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

Attachments: [LWCF No Award Letter - Carriage Crest Park](#)
[RPOSD TAP Funding Announcement](#)
[Picture of Award Amount to City of Carson for TAP](#)

RS Grierson provide a brief summary of the grants received by the Department.

Commissioner Langston asked why applications were not submitted for all the parks. RS Grierson stated that the grants are highly competitive, and only shelf-ready projects have the best chance of being accepted.

Chair Caglet requested a clarification on what *matching* meant. RS Grierson responded that the City would front the total cost of the project, but be reimbursed the grant portion.

ACTION: It was moved to receive and file the report on a motion from Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Langston and unanimously carried by a vote of 10-0.

PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The public may at this time address the members of the Carson Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission on any matters within the jurisdiction of the Carson Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission. No action may be taken on non-agendized items except as authorized by law. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to no more than three minutes each, speaking once.

COMMISSIONER'S ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PARK REPORT

Commissioner Langston/Veterans Park: Commented on the recent shooting at Veterans Park. He requested that a solution be developed for the issues at the park.

Commissioner Ramos/Mills Park: He requested that the possessions of the children who play at the park be placed in closet. He was invited by Councilman Hicks to attend a Committee Meeting on August 22, 2022, to discuss issues like the parks and Public Safety.

Commissioner Dahilig/Dolphin Park: Tree branches he mentioned at a prior meeting have been taken care of. He spoke to staff about safety at the park; specifically, a burglary that had taken place there. He also stated that he was aware of people smoking pot at the park.

Commissioner Dunning/Del Amo Park: He was concerned about the children playing at the park, commenting that the entrance needs to be blocked off for them to play. He added that staff needs to monitor who is coming and going at the park. The lighting at the park is bad, with many of them out.

Commissioner Brillantes/Foisia Park: He inquired about business cards for the Commissioners and requested a dedicated location for table tennis.

Vice-Chair Gonzalez/Veterans SportsComplex: Thanked the members for election to the position of Vice-Chair. Commented that all the parks should have security cameras.

Commissioner Cortado/Calas & Dominguez Park: She missed the baseball awards banquet at Calas Park, and was not able to visit Dominguez Park. She stated that she would like to switch Dominguez Park assignment with Commissioner Hunter's Carriage Crest assignment as Commission Hunter lives closer to Dominguez Park. Chair Cainglet asked if Commissioner Hunter would agree to this reassignment, and she said yes. Commissioner Cortado attended the Pop-Lock event at Calas. It was not a city event. Many people attended, attendees were smoking cigarettes and pot, and drinking alcohol. The Sheriff's Department should have been presented given the size of the event. She saw the Pickleball at Hemingway Park flyer, and she suggested that the contact number needs to be changed to Matt Jordan, as no one at the park answers questions.

Commissioner Johnson/Anderson Park: Noted that there have been many changes with who has been serving as Center Supervisor. It is currently Nick Reyes. The park is getting ready for the Jazz Festival. Air conditioning in the Activity Room is needed. A crane is required to install the unit, which the City does not have. Hopefully, it will be installed before the Jazz Festival. She added that the grounds look good. T-Ball is done and things are going well at the park.

Chair Cainglet informed Commissioner Hunter that these Commissioner reports allow members to detail what is occurring at their assigned parks. This is important as the Commissioners are the eyes and ears at the parks.

Commissioner Hunter/Carriage Crest: She has not been able to visit the park. However, she is aware that the lights in the northeast area of the park still do not work. Equipment to clean the park and for the children to play with have not been received.

STAFF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

CS Superintendent Bobby Grove: Provided a calendar of upcoming Community Services events - Relay for Life and White Linen. Dani Cook was recently promoted to Human Services Program Manager.

Recreation Superintendent Grierson: Provided a calendar of upcoming Recreation events – Youth Night Out; Real Run Championship; 55th Anniversary General Meeting; LA Galaxy Free Clinic; banquets for baseball, softball and t-ball. Agreed with Commission Langston's comments that more needs to be done regarding public safety at the parks. He added that the public needs to speak up if they see something, too. Met LBM staff member Paul and will let him know that the bushes need to be cut at Dolphin Park.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved to adjourn the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission Meeting

Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Dunning and unanimously carried by a vote of 10-0.

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