



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2022  
Carson Community Event Center  
East Wing 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

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### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

*Any members of the public wishing to provide public comment for the items on the agenda may do so as follows:*

- 1. Email: You can email comments to [p&rcommission@carsonca.gov](mailto:p&rcommission@carsonca.gov) no later than 3:00 p.m. before the meeting. Please identify the Agenda item you wish to address in your comments. Your comments will be read into the record.*
- 2. Telephone: You can record your comments at (310) 847-3581 no later than 3:00 p.m. before the meeting. Please identify the Agenda item you wish to address in your comments. Your comments will be read into the record.*

**CALL TO ORDER**     The meeting was called to order by Chair Cainglet at 6:35 PM.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Alex Cainglet; Vice-Chair Walter Gonzalez; Secretary Kisa Hillard; Commissioners Kim Cortado (arrived at 6:40 PM); Cesar Dahilig; Clarence Dunning; Edwina Hunter (arrived at 6:43 PM); DeAnthony Langston (arrived at 7:44 PM); Oscar Ramos; Rudolfo Brillantes (arrived at 6:56 PM)

Absent: Commissioner Shannan Lawrence

Excused: Commissioner Jo Johnson was excused by a motion of Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Dunning, and unanimously approved by a vote of 6-0.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Dunning.

## PRESENTATIONS

### 1 2022-061-PRCAC CITY OF CARSON 55TH ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

Principal Administrative Analyst Magante & CS Superintendent Grove provided a summary on what had transpired since the last meeting.

Commissioner Ramos inquired about ticket price. CS Superintendent Grove stated that they cost \$55 each. He asked how to get word out regarding the Street Fair, especially as recent events have not been heavily attended. Director Whittiker stated that planners anticipate that this event will be well attended, especially as there will be many types of entertainment. Additionally, the City will outreach will be extensive, with advertising throughout Carson, press releases, and street banners everywhere including the parks.

Chair Cainglet stated that staff handles event logistics and marketing well. Commissioner Cortado echoed Chair Cainglet's comments, stating that all staff go above and beyond when they work on events, irrespective of how many people attend.

Secretary Hillard asked how residents are notified about 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary meetings? Director Whittiker stated that flyers are sent, and phone calls are made. He added that some subcommittees are already full. Secretary Hillard stated that she hasn't heard from her subcommittee. Director Whittiker and Principal Administrative Analyst Magante will look into who staff has been contacting. She requested to be added to the Street Fair Subcommittee. CS Superintendent will notify her of upcoming meetings.

Commissioner Hunter also requested to join the Street Fair Subcommittee.

**Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.**

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

## **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**

### **2 2022-062-PRCAC**

**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 25, 2022, PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**

**Attachments:** [August 25, 2022, PRCAC Minutes](#)

### **3 2022-064-PRCAC**

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 29, 2022, PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**

**Attachments:** [September 29, 2022 PRCAC Minutes](#)

### **4 2022-063-PRCAC**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES/PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
SEPTEMBER 2022 REPORT**

**Attachments:** [September 2022 Monthly Report](#)

### **5 2022-065-PRCAC**

**NOVEMBER 2022 PROGRAMS-AT-A-GLANCE/THE SPOTLIGHT/PARKS  
ASIGNMENTS**

**Attachments:** [November 2022 PAAG](#)

Action: It was moved to receive and file the Consent Calendar on a motion of Commissioner Dunning, seconded by Commissioner Cortado, and unanimously carried by a vote of 9-0.

## **CONTINUED BUSINESS**

### **6 2022-067-PRCAC**

**PUBLIC WORKS PARKS MAINTENANCE UPDATE**

**Recommendation:** REVIEW and DISCUSS.

Director Whittiker stated that he brought back this issue as it relates to former-Public Works Director Eliza Jane Whitman's presentation from the September meeting. Unfortunately, she recently had surgery, so she could not attend the meeting. In her place, Recreation Superintendent Grierson will present this matter.

Recreation Superintendent Grierson stated that he received a report detailing the Public Works projects currently on file. He summarized the work that will be handled at the City's parks.

Several Commissioner requested additional information on several items they asked if the City was pursuing:

- Vice-Chair Gonzalez mentioned solar lights, as well as the gopher holes at Dominguez Park.
- Commissioner Dunning asked about staff specifically assigned to handle tasks at each park.
- Commissioner Cortado noted burglar alarms and fire suppression efforts.
- Commissioner Hunter mentioned score boards for Dominguez Park and exercise equipment.

(Commissioner Dahilig exited the meeting at 7:30 PM and returned at 7:35 PM)

Chair Cainglet asked that the list be emailed to the Commission.

Director Whittiker stated that he will request that a representative from Public Works attend the next meeting.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **7 2022-066-PRCAC**

#### **PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER MEETINGS**

**Recommendation:** PROVIDE direction to staff.

Director Whittiker noted that the November PRCAC meeting falls on Thanksgiving and the Commission has historically gone dark in December.

Action: It was moved to go dark on in November and December on a motion of Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Brillantes, 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 Brillantes: Attended the Larry Itliong event the prior Sunday.

Commissioner Ramos: Nothing to report. Wished everyone a Happy Halloween, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Cortado: Attended the Larry Itliong event. The Women's conference went well and the bags, as always, were a hit. Looking forward to future updates from the Public Works Director.

Secretary Hillard: The Jazz Festival had an amazing turnout; loved the vendors; her daughter loved music.

Vice-Chair Gonzalez: Wished everyone a safe Halloween, Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. Gave kudos to Recreation Superintendent Grierson for his presentation.

Commissioner Langston: Apologize for being late; he was at the Stevenson Red Ribbon event. He visits Veterans Park going to Vets every morning.

Commissioner Hunter: Attended a recent town hall meeting, and noted that the Country Western Fair will be held at Dominguez Park.

Commissioner Dunning: Thanked Recreation Superintendent Grierson for his report. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Dahilig: Dolphin running well.

Chair Cainglet: Re. Carson Park, he noted that the facility is clean. He requested that in lieu of a regular meeting, a field trip for the Commission to visit all the parks be scheduled for next year during the summer. This will allow the members to become familiar with all the parks. He wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

## **STAFF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Community Services Superintendent Grove: The Women's Conference we well, with over 400 attendees. It was the first Conference held since 2019. He also announced that the Halloween Carnival will take place this weekend, followed by the Tree Lighting on December 1, 2022. CS Superintendent Grove wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Recreation Superintendent Grierson: Thanked members for attending the City's Special Events, especially the many that were presented in October. He announced that the Veterans Day Celebration will be held on November 11, 2022; the Country Western Fair will take place on November 19, 2022, from 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM. A picnic shelter at Calas is a future project; re. pickleball, Public Works will work with vendor to resurface the courts. If members are aware of anyone who wishes to play football and soccer, but can't afford the uniform, to please contact a staff member. Park Volunteer groups can aid with this purchase. He wished everyone a great holiday, and looks forward to seeing everyone at next year's special events.

Director Whittiker: Regarding Chair Cainglet's request for a coordinated visit with all the members to all the City's parks, he will make the necessary arrangements. The City has buses available to transport the Commission. He stated that given the challenges the public has been with ActiveNet, he directed CS Superintendent Grove to provide trainings to the public – during the day for seniors, and evenings and weekends for others.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM on a motion of Vice-Chair Gonzalez, seconded by Secretary Hillard, and unanimously carried by a vote of 10-0.

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