

City of Patterson
Parks, Recreation & Beautification Commission Minutes
Regular Meeting of May 17, 2023

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Virgen called the Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Beautification Commission of the City of Patterson to order at the City Hall Council Chambers at 5:04 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners: Adolfo Virgen (Chair), Gabriela Fernandez-Hernandez (Vice-Chair), Renelle Layfield (Commissioner), Kandace Weyhrauch (Commissioner) and Oscar Roman (Commissioner)

City Staff: Deputy Director Robert Andrade (Ex-Officio Member), Diana Hernandez (Recreation Administrative Service Manager), Adrian Laurel (Environmental Compliance Specialist), and Brittany Callum (Secretary).

Absent: None

3. Statements of Conflict : None

4. Items from the Public:

Mayor Clauzel (City of Patterson) - addressed the commission regarding the value that the City Council and City Staffs in the established Code of Ethics for themselves and the City's Committees

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the April 19, 2023, regular meeting was reviewed and approved by the Commission with a 5-0 vote. Commissioner Layfield motioned and Commissioner Weyhrauch 2nd. Motion carries.

6. Review of Action Items: None

7. Agenda Items

New & Returning Business

7.a Parks, Recreation and Beautification Award (Chairperson Virgen)

Commissioner Weyhrauch nominated the Village Skate for the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Award. Commissioner Weyhrauch also mentioned implementing the award guideline into the commission's

municipal code as a reference for future commissioners. Chairperson Virgen suggested adding the guidelines to the Park's Recreation and Beautification binder until the implementation goes through the proper channels. Chairperson Virgen gave his own nomination for the award, Patterson High School Drama Club.

Action: Secretary Callum will share the award guidelines with the City Clerk for review.

Action: Chairperson Virgen moved to table this agenda item to June 2023 meeting for further discussion.

Vote: 5-0; Motion Carries

Yes: G. Fernandez-Hernandez, R. Layfield, K. Weyhrauch, A. Virgen, O. Roman
No: None

7.b Wall Mural Project (Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez)

Vice-Chairperson Fernandez-Hernandez shared all information with Chairperson Virgen as this is her last meeting on the commission.

Action: Commissioner Weyhrauch agreed to be the point of contact with the Greg Nunes Realty Building Owner.

Action: Chairperson Virgen agreed to be the point of contact with the potential Muralist.

7.c Apricot Fiesta Involvement (Commissioner Weyhrauch)

Commissioner Weyhrauch requested to give out open-ended surveys to the fiesta visitors. Commission came up with 3 questions to put on the Parks, Recreation, and Beautification survey. Commissioner Weyhrauch moved to pass out surveys to the public during the Apricot Fiesta. Commissioner Roman second the motion.

Vote: 5-0; Motion Carries

Yes: G. Fernandez-Hernandez, R. Layfield, K. Weyhrauch, A. Virgen, O. Roman
No: None

7.d Advertising Activities through Peach Jar (Commissioner Layfield)

The Commission and Recreation Administrative Service Manager Diana Hernandez discussed ways to increase the use of Peach Jar to get recreation information out to families of Patterson Unified School District.

Action: The Recreation Department has agreed to investigate methods for families to receive recreation program updates directly to their email.

7.e Adding Shade to Parks (Commissioner Layfield)

Deputy Director Robert Andrade shared with the Commission the processes that go into adding shade to the parks including but not limited to Bid approvals and money within each district.

7.f Commission Logo (Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez)

The Commission reviewed the submitted commission logos and selected their top three choices. Suggested edits will be made and redistributed to the Commission to vote on at the June 2023 meeting.

7.g Potential Arbor Day Activities (Chairperson Virgen)

Deputy Director Robert Andrade shared with the Commission ways that they could help prepare for the next Arbor Day event in 2024. The Commission verbally agreed to table this item until winter 2023/2024.

7.h Adding City Staff Member as a Non-Voting Member

The Commission discussed ways to enlist members of the public to assist with different Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Commission projects. Chairperson Virgen moved to remove this item from the agenda. Commissioner Weyhrauch seconded.

7.i Parks and Recreation Social Media Activity (Commissioner Layfield)

The Commission discussed ways that social media would be a great benefit and resource to the commission. Chairperson Virgen motioned to table this item from the agenda until the June 2023 commission meeting. Commissioner Layfield seconded.

Vote: 4-0; Motion Carries

Yes: G. Fernandez-Hernandez, R. Layfield, K. Weyhrauch, A. Virgen
No: None
Absent: O. Roman

7.j Vice-Chair Election (Chairperson Virgen)

Commissioner Weyhrauch motioned to table this item from the agenda until the June 2023 commission meeting. Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez second the motion.

Vote: 4-0; Motion Carries

Yes: G. Fernandez-Hernandez, R. Layfield, K. Weyhrauch, A. Virgen, O. Roman
No: None
Absent: O. Roman

7.k Water Tower Mural (Commissioner Weyhrauch)

Commissioner Weyhrauch introduced the idea of getting a mural painting on the water tower coming into the city. Following the discussion with the Commission, Commissioner Weyhrauch motioned to form an Exploratory Committee regarding the non-beautification of the water tower. Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0; Motion Carries

Yes: G. Fernandez-Hernandez, R. Layfield, K. Weyhrauch, A. Virgen, O. Roman
No: None
Absent: O. Roman

8. Other Matters:

- Commission discussed having a booth at the Back-to-School Block Party on August 5th, 2023
- Commissioners discussed having a Community Public Works Day for Patterson residents.

9. Adjournment

With there being no further business, Chairperson Virgen moved to adjourn the City of Patterson Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission Meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Any questions or concerns, please email them to Brittany Callum at bcallum@ci.patterson.ca.us.

Minutes Prepared by:

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