



Meeting Minutes

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

5:30 PM

Development Services Conference Room A/B
14455 W. Van Buren St., Ste. D101
Goodyear, AZ 85338

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Padilla called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: 6 - Chairman Padilla, Commissioner Landefeld, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Stephens, Commissioner Beard and Alternate Hohman

Excused: 2 - Vice Chairman Harris and Commissioner Sawyer

Staff Present: Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Torres, Management Assistant Diana Vasquez, Administrative Assistant Julie Pierce, Recreation Superintendent Michael Beadle and Parks and Recreation Manager David Seid

MOTION BY Commissioner Landefeld, SECONDED BY Commissioner Stephens, to EXCUSE Commissioners Harris and Sawyer from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Chairman Padilla, Commissioner Landefeld, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Stephens and Commissioner Beard

Excused: 2 - Vice Chairman Harris and Commissioner Sawyer

3. **APPROVE MINUTES**

[MINUTES](#) Approve draft minutes from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
[2019-34](#) meeting held on March 6, 2019.

MOTION BY Commissioner Stephens, SECONDED BY Commissioner Landefeld, to APPROVE the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting held on March 6, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Chairman Padilla, Commissioner Landefeld, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Stephens and Commissioner Beard

Excused: 2 - Vice Chairman Harris and Commissioner Sawyer

4. **CITIZENS COMMENTS/ APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR**

None.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Open Meeting Law Training (Darcie McCracken, City Clerk)

City Clerk Darcie McCracken gave a PowerPoint presentation and training on the Arizona Open Meeting Law. She explained the purpose of the law is to protect the public as well as the public servant.

“All meetings of any public body shall be public and all persons so desiring shall be permitted to attend and listen to the deliberations and proceedings. All legal action of public bodies shall occur during a public meeting.”

All commissions and the City Council must comply with the law. The law requires advance notice, an agenda and minutes. A quorum is required to take legal action. The public has the right to attend and are not required to sign in. The public is permitted to speak if the public body allows it; however, they cannot disrupt proceedings, and the speaking time of each speaker can be limited. The public body's response is limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to criticism and scheduling the matter for a future meeting.

Following the meeting, draft minutes must be posted to the website and then approved at the next meeting.

Ms. McCracken warned the commissioners that email communication should be used cautiously and never used to discuss matters that may come before the Commission for action. The law is covered in Chapter 7 of the Attorney General's Handbook, which can be found on the city website.

6.2 Parks and Recreation FY20 Proposed Operating Budget (Diana Vasquez, Parks and Recreation Management Assistant)

Management Assistant Diana Vasquez presented an overview of the Parks and Recreation FY20 proposed operating budget of \$14.6 million, a 7% increase from FY19. The increase in the base budget is due to contracts, inflation and one-time supplementals. Ms. Vasquez broke out the budget into three divisions, and among the approved supplementals, she highlighted additional staff, increased water for parks, special event funding, software, right-of-way services and program extensions. The final budget adoption is June 10, 2019. The Parks and Recreation Department five-year capital improvement plan is \$63.3 million. Highlighted projects include the Recreation Campus, splash pad, ballpark video board, safety repairs and landscaping.

6.3 Review and Approve the Recreation Campus Naming Process (Michael Beadle, Parks and Recreation Superintendent)

Recreation Superintendent Michael Beadle presented an outreach plan and timeline for soliciting input from the community regarding the official name of the Goodyear Recreation Campus. The plan outlined the audiences, messages and tactics they will use to engage the community, staff and stakeholders. Once the community input is complete, a city committee will vet the top ten names. Once the top ten are established, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will decide on the top three to recommend to Council.

MOTION BY Commissioner Stephens, SECONDED BY Commissioner Wilson, to APPROVE the Recreation Campus Naming Process. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Chairman Padilla, Commissioner Landefeld, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Stephens and Commissioner Beard

Excused: 2 - Vice Chairman Harris and Commissioner Sawyer

6.4 Recreation Campus Update (Michael Beadle, Parks and Recreation Superintendent)

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Michael Beadle requested to present item 6.4 prior to item 6.3. Mr. Beadle explained that the design process was at 30%, with an expectation of being 60% complete in June. He gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation on each facet of the campus and the thought process behind the design. There will be two playgrounds, parking, open lawn areas, volleyball, basketball, tennis and pickleball courts all in close proximity to group ramadas. The multi-use fields will be lit and fit two high school soccer fields. There will be overflow parking in the field to the east for larger events held in the multi-use fields. The aquatic portion will have a lap pool and diving boards, a play pool featuring a lazy river and 28ft double slide.

Mr. Beadle explained each room within the 48,000sq ft main building and their goal to create space that can be used in a variety of recreation programming for all ages. The main building will house offices, conference rooms, a teen hang-out space, locker rooms, workout spaces, a gym, a running track and multi-use indoor-outdoor rooms/areas. The center of the campus will feature an outdoor art plaza. The perimeter walking path is a mile long and 12 ft wide to accommodate bikes, strollers, etc. There are 700 paved parking spots.

Commissioner Padilla asked for information on usage fees and operating hours. Alternate Hohman expressed concerns regarding the current available square footage for events in Goodyear and that the new main building would not be big enough to alleviate the problem. Commissioner Landefeld wanted information on the height of the gym.

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Commissioner Wilson gave a brief update on the Wellspring Conservancy, explaining that they are at

a standstill awaiting 501(c)(3) status that was applied for in October.

Management Assistant Diana Vasquez announced the Lakeside Music Festival headlined by Smash Mouth was a tremendous success with an estimated attendance of 12,000.

Parks and Recreation Manager David Seid gave an overview of the new event Hop & Hops. Based on attendance of 5,800 he considered the inaugural event well received. The highlights included arm marbling, ball pits, inflatables, egg drops, a petting zoo and "Hopmosas."

Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Torres spoke to the 2019 Spring Training season highlights at the Goodyear Ballpark. Their ten-year celebration was themed throughout the season including Dinner on the Diamond, \$10 opening day ticket, commemorative ticket, Ace the Mascot and ten days of giveaways. Season highlights included attendance of 166,460, record revenue of \$6,357,465 and donations to local non-profits of \$111,040.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for September 4 at 5:30 p.m. It will be held at the Goodyear Development Services/Engineering building, located at 14455 W. Van Buren St., Ste. D101.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Padilla adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Julie Pierce, Administrative Assistant

Mike Padilla, Chairman

Date: _____