MINUTES REGULAR MEETING PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

a. Call Meeting to Order

A regular meeting of the Lomita Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chair Tamer at 6:01 p.m. in the Commission Conference Room, City Hall, 24300 Narbonne Avenue.

b. Roll Call

The following Commissioners responded to the roll call by Recording Secretary Villa: Commissioners Colbert, Graf, Winn, Vice Chair Torrente, and Chair Tamer. Also present were Recreation Manager Kelley, Recreation Supervisor Edwards, Recreation and Facilities Manager Sansbury and Management Analyst Vida.

Present: Colbert, Graf, Winn, Vice-Chair Torrente, and Chair Tamer

Absent: None.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 23, 2022

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the minutes for August 23, 2022

Commissioner Graf made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Torrente, to approve the minutes.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Graf, Winn, Vice-Chair Torrente, and Chair Tamer

NOES: None ABSTAIN: Colbert ABSENT: None

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

William Kiriyama, Lomita resident, shared his knowledge of current pickleball offerings in surrounding cities and delivered insight on how he believes it can be successful in Lomita.

Danell Osborn, Harbor City resident, spoke on her desire to have pickleball in Lomita.

Miho Kiriyama, Lomita resident, shared insight on how beneficial pickleball is for all ages, and how rapidly popular this sport could become if offered in Lomita.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Winn gave praise to The Railroad Museum's Family Fun Day event.

Chair Tamer inquired about ordering inventory for the Railroad Museum giftshop with Recreation Manager Kelley and the planning of upcoming events. She also stated that she will not be in attendance for the scheduled October meeting.

5. REPORT ON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Chair Tamer provided an update from the City Council meetings on September 6, 2022 and September 20, 2022.

6. PICKLEBALL UPDATE

Recreation Manager Kelley presented the staff report as per the agenda material.

Commissioner Winn questioned the strategy behind temporarily converting an outdoor basketball court instead of functioning tennis courts. Staff responded by stating that the outdoor basketball court is not heavily used during the desired pickleball time frame and would be the best way to introduce new programming without interfering with the existing heavy usage on the tennis courts.

Chair Tamer made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Torrente, to move forward with a proposal to introduce pickleball in a modified manner, on the outdoor basketball court at Lomita Park, to City Council at an upcoming meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Colbert, Vice-Chair Torrente, and Chair Tamer

NOES: Graf and Winn

ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

7. DISCUSSION OF THE COMMISSION'S ROLE IN SPECIAL EVENTS

Recreation Manager Kelley invited the Commissioners to the Halloween event at Lomita Park and asked them to judge the costume contest. She provided an update on the Tree Lighting ceremony, and the Commissioners' involvement with that event. She also informed the Commissioners about a Founder's Day committee that will be forming and will be calling upon one of them as a representative.

8. STAFF UPDATES

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Recreation Supervisor Edwards provided an update on the start of both youth football and volleyball season at Lomita Park. He followed with a brief additional update on The Mayor's Cup golf tournament scheduled for October 3, 2022.

Recreation Manager Kelley invited the Commissioners to the State of the City event on November 17, 2022, and the City's open house event on December 15, 2022.

Management Analyst Vida provided a brief update on the capital improvement projects happening at the Railroad Museum and Lomita Park.

9. CITY COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE

Tuesday, October 4, 2022, and Tuesday, October 18, 2022 – Commissioner Winn

10. ADJOURNMENT

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As there was no further business to discuss, Chair Tamer adjourned the meeting at 7:09 pm.

Cecelia Villa, Recording Secretary