

MINUTES

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION TELECONFERENCE

April 28, 2021

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Lynn Cudd, Chair
Nichole Rupp, Vice Chair
Ryan Balius
James Cook
John Elwell
Tony Flores
Yogesh Shah

STAFF PRESENT :

Sjany Larson-Cash, Interim Director
Pamela Galera, Parks Manager
Eleanor Granflor, Senior Secretary

STAFF ABSENT:

JJ Jimenez, Principal Project Planner

AGENDA _____ ACTION TAKEN _____

1. **CALL TO ORDER** : Chair Cudd called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** : Commissioner Elwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION** : None.
4. **SCHEDULED COMMUNICATION** : None.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** : Chair Cudd presented the March 24, 2021 Minutes to the Commissioners for changes or corrections. Eleanor Granflor stated a change will be made in the Informational Items section. The first sentence of the third paragraph will be changed to read "Commissioner Balius questioned if electric bikes are allowed on city parks and if there is a policy in place." Commissioner Elwell made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Shah. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote in favor; Chair Cudd accepted the minutes.
6. **REPORTS**
 - a) **Recreation, Human and Neighborhood Services Activity Report - February/March:** Sjany Larson-Cash presented the report and highlighted Young Artist Showcase that features the artwork of students attending Anaheim schools or residents in grades 7 to 12, the virtual Volunteer Recognition Event that was held on March 31st, aquatics registration with the Anaheim Family YMCA for lessons held at Pearson Park, the archery program held at Oak Canyon Nature Center, and the Covid-19 vaccination POD sites and pop-up neighborhood clinic opportunities. Questions were answered regarding vaccination sites and aquatics.
 - b) **Park Ranger Report - March:** Sjany Larson-Cash presented the report and highlighted the number of patrols, patrons, public contacts made by Park Rangers. Skate boarding has increased from February. Staff is currently evaluating software programs that can help with statistics reporting. Park Rangers continue to assist the tagging of abandoned property in the parks. Questions were answered regarding skate boarding and the software system for the Park Rangers.

- c) Parks Capital Project Progress Report: Pamela Galera presented the report and highlighted the following projects: Cottonwood Park Playground Improvements, Lincoln Park Parking Lot, and Maxwell Dog Park. Questions were answered regarding Little Pine Park, Maxwell Dog Park.

7. **PREVIOUS BUSINESS**

a) FY 2020/21 Proposed Budget Update: Sjany Larson-Cash reported the FY 2021/22 budget will be presented to the Commission in May. Questions were answered regarding what will be presented to the Commission in the budget report.

8. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** :

a) Motorized Bicycles in Parks: Sjany Larson-Cash shared information from the Public Parks Ordinance which states the following is prohibited “to ride or drive any horse or other animal, or to propel any vehicle, cycle or automobile”. Sjany stated motorized bicycles are not allowed in city parks.

b) Future Commission Meetings: Eleanor Granflor shared the possibilities of future commission meetings. A discussion was held by the Commission - the May meeting will be a hybrid meeting.

9. **ADJOURNMENT** : Chair Cudd adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.