

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

WEDNESDAY, March 9, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M. Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Minutes

Members Present: (5)

Mayor - Deborah Zuloaga

District 3- Michael Adjemian (Chair)

District 4 – Benjamin Avalos

District 7 - Marcella Carrillo

District 8 – Robert (Bob) Bigney

City Staff Present

Ben Fyffe, Managing Director Pablo Caballero, Interim Assistant Director Rocio Rivas, Administrative Assistant

Hawk Scott, Recreation Manager Karla Chavez, Programs Manager

Public Present

Fred Borrego- In Support of Item #6 Sergio DeLaRosa—In Support of Item #6 Members Absent: (3)

District 1- Martin Morgades

District 2- Anna Alemán

District 5- Vacant

District 6 – Fernando Delgado

City Attorney - Legal

Danielle Escontrias, Assistant City Attorney

Blanca Garcia-City Paralegal

1. Meeting Called to Order

Michael Adjemian, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Michael Adjemian, Board Chair, did a roll call

2. Approval of Minutes: February 9, 2022 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Michael Adjemian Board Chair, asked the Board to review Parks and Recreation Advisory Board minutes and approve.

Motion by Deborah Zuloaga to accept February 9, 2022 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board minutes as written, seconded by Marcella Carrillo, none opposed, motion passes unanimously.

3. Call to the Public (for items not on agenda):

No members of the public present to discuss items not on the agenda.

4. Discussion and Action: On Nomination and Election of the Park Naming and Grievance Subcommittees Chair and Vice Chair-Michael Adjemian, Board Chair

Ben Fyffe, Managing Director, addressed the Board to request that item number 4 on the agenda to be postponed.

Motion by Deborah Zuloaga to postpone agenda item number 4, seconded by Marcella Carrillo, none opposed, motion passes unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action: On Recommendation to change Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meeting time-Ben Fyffe, Managing Director

Ben Fyffe, Managing Director, addressed the Board to provide additional information in regards to meeting time suggestions based off of an audit that was done on other City Boards. He also gave a meeting time recommendation.

Board members asked questions in regards to changing the Advisory Board Meeting time and where answered by Ben Fyffe, Managing Director.

Motion by Michael Adjemian to change the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meeting time from 5:30p.m. To 4:00p.m every month, seconded by Deborah Zuloaga, none opposed, motion passes unanimously.

The meeting time change will begin next month.

6. Discussion and Action: On Recommendation to rename Clark & Cleveland Park located at the corner of Clark Drive and Cleveland Avenue, El Paso, Texas, 79905 to Marina Rios Park.-Ben Fyffe, Managing Director

Ben Fyffe, Managing Director, addressed the Board to give a PowerPoint presentation in regards to the Park Naming Application and to discuss the Naming and Renaming guidelines.

Public present that spoke in support of renaming Clark & Cleveland Park:

- Fred Borrego-Park Naming Applicant
- Sergio De La Rosa- Son of Marina Rios

Ben Fyffe, Managing Director, addressed the Board to state the recommendation from staff is to proceed with action from this Board, which would then allow for the application to proceed to City Council for final determination.

Motion by Deborah Zuloaga to approve the recommendation to rename Clark & Cleveland Park at the corner of Clark Drive and Cleveland Avenue, El Paso, Texas 79905 to Marina Rios Park, seconded by Michael Adjemian, none opposed, motion passes unanimously.

7. Presentation and Discussion: On Parks and Recreation Capital Improvements Projects-Karla Chavez, Project Manager

Karla Chavez, Projects Manager, addressed the Board to discuss updates on Capital Improvement Projects and presented a detailed PowerPoint presentation for projects in District 1-8.

Board members had questions and recommendations and where answered by Karla Chavez and Ben Fyffe throughout the presentation.

8. Presentation and Discussion: On Sports Leagues, Field Inventories, and Sports Policies-Hawk Scott, Recreation Manager

Hawk Scott, Recreation Manager, addressed the Board to discuss updates on the Parks & Recreation Department Sports Division, and presented a detailed PowerPoint presentation.

Board members had questions and where answered by Hawk Scott and Ben Fyffe throughout the presentation.

9. Discussion: Identify Items for Future Agenda

Ben Fyffe added that there will be an update from the Parks & Recreation Department, Aquatics Division at next meeting.

10. Adjournment: at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Rocio Rivas, Board Recording, Administrative Assistant

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