



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

Room 280A
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 24, 2018
10:00 a.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: April 24, 2018 / 10:07 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Robert Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CIVILITY STATEMENT

Vice Chair Roston read the Civility Statement.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Fenton, Javor, Rosoff, Vice Chair Roston
Commissioners Absent: Chair Bilak
Staff Present: Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Pam Shinault, Teri Angel, Linda Kyriazi

Chair Bilak arrived at 10:08 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

- Resident Marcie Brubaker spoke to the Commission regarding Beverly Gardens Park, Doheny Fountain block
- Resident Steve Mayer spoke to the Commission regarding the Metro Rodeo Station.
- Resident Robert Anderson spoke to the Commission regarding the Metro Station with no planned restroom.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With the concurrence of the Commission, the Chair may choose to amend the order of the items on the agenda. Chair Bilak approved the agenda as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes of the Special Meeting from 03/27/2018.

Motion by ROSOFF, Seconded by FENTON to approve the Meeting Minutes as written.
(5/0)

AYES: Fenton, Javor, Rosoff, Vice Chair Roston, Chair Bilak
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

2. Consideration of Minutes of the Regular Meeting from 03/27/2018.

Motion by ROSTON, Seconded by JAVOR to approve the Meeting Minutes with the detailed Priority List that the Commission agreed to. (5/0)

AYES Fenton, Javor, Rosoff, Vice Chair Roston, Chair Bilak
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

CONTINUED BUSINESS

3. Presentations:

3A. Recreation and Parks Commission Award

A Commission award recognizing community contribution and leadership benefiting Beverly Hills residents – Chair Bilak

This month's award was presented to both Robert Anderson and Phil Savenick for their outstanding contributions to the City of Beverly Hills through philanthropic leadership, vision and dedication to preserving the history of the City of Beverly Hills.

3B. Summer Camp Preview

Recreation Coordinator Laura Briceno, informed the Commission on the abundance of summer camp opportunities and had one of the most popular camp program, Professor Egghead Science Camp, provide a short demo on what they teach the students.

4. Mini Parks Summary

The Commission and staff reviewed and discussed their findings from the mini parks tour held on March 27, 2018 and noted the Mini Parks are not included in the City's current capital improvement projects.

Staff will work to work with the Parks Division within Public Works to see if some of the issues can be addressed using the current funds or request needed funds from City Council.

Commissioner Rosoff requested some of the lower cost suggestions, such as relocating signs and doggie bags, especially at Arnaz Park in addition to converting the fountain there into a planter, can be moved on and discussed at the next meeting.

Chair Bilak additionally requested cleaning the parks every night of the cigarette butts, larger non-smoking signs; perimeter fencing around parks such as Reeves and Oakhurst, and address non-covered sockets. There was also a request for the Fine Art Commission to maintain the art work at Crescent Mini Park as it needs polishing.

Commissioner Javor expressed his concerns about the poorly located play area at Reeves Mini Park in addition to the ivy growing on the walls at Arnaz Park.

Vice Chair Roston requested feedback from Metro on the temporary situation on Reeves Mini Park as part of the park will be closed off during demolition of the building there. Staff will provide updates at future meetings.

Resident Steve Mayer spoke to the Commission about the Metro/Reeves demolition item that will be coming to City Council in addition to students providing art work to the temporary site.

Resident Susan Mishler informed the Commission about icon signs used in Vancouver, Canada which can be included in sign discussions.

Next Steps: Assistant Director of Community Services, Pam Shinault, informed the Commission that the first step will be when City Council considers their priorities for next fiscal year which starts July 1, 2018. The low-cost suggestions could be completed; impacts of Metro Station on Reeves Mini Park discussion in addition to a park signs review.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Fenton Field Access

Staff, along with Commissioner Fenton, completed a site visit to Fenton Field on April 18, 2018 and reviewed access to the site, paths of travel and explored options to improve conditions. Options discussed were:

- Installing fencing from the edge of existing fencing on Le Doux Road in addition to using black powder coated fencing to reduce visibility of the fencing. Public Works staff is gathering a preliminary cost. Staff will ask that the trees continue to be pruned.
- Once an estimate is secured, a request for funding and support for the improvement may need to be secured from City Council.

Motion by FENTON, Seconded by JAVOR to provide fencing at the opening between La Cienega and Le Doux Road assuming the cost of such a fence is not prohibited. (4/1)

AYES Fenton, Javor, Rosoff, Vice Chair Roston

NOES: Chair Bilak

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PASSED

Chair Bilak had requested in the motion, which was denied, a recommendation to obtain the cost of fencing off the entire field, only the portion was in the motion.

6. Complete Streets Plan Project Introduction and Overview

Transportation Planner Martha Eros provided an introduction on the Complete Streets Plan, which serves as the guiding document in the development and implementation of future mobility modes for walking, biking, public transit and vehicles throughout the City.

Assistant Director of Community Services, Pam Shinault, informed the Commission that their involvement could be making sure key concerns are kept in mind during this planning process.

PROJECT UPDATES, STATUS REPORTS, STAFF REPORTS

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Capital Improvement project update
- b. Update on Dog Park
- c. Lower Greystone driveway access gate update
- d. Arbor Day
- e. Fiesta and Picklefest Judging
- f. Event Calendar

Due to time constraints, items 7. a-e were tabled until the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

8. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- Commissioner Roston provided an update on the April 18, 2018 Liaison Meeting to review the two (2) presented proposals from the community related to La Cienega Park and Facilities.
- Commissioners Javor & Rosoff attended the final monthly meeting of the Teen Advisory Committee (TAC). Commissioner Rosoff suggested having auxiliary groups for the students who completed their year but would still like to be active in TAC.
- Commissioner Fenton updated the Commission on the Active Adults who are currently seeking out venues for an honorary luncheon to raise additional monies for the club.
- Commissioner Rosoff requested Ms. Barbara Linder's wish list, dollar & necessity priority. Staff to provide update list at next meeting.
- Coldwater Canyon: Recreation Services Manager Teri Angel informed the Commission that staff is preparing to close up the park on May 14, 2018 to start construction and an informational postcard will be mailed out to local residents within 1,000 feet of the park. In addition, banners will be placed around the park fencing

Good and Welfare

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

9. Priority List

- Updated Priority List FY 18/19

Chair Bilak requested for next month's agenda:

- Dates to set the Doheny Fountain Block and requesting another copy of the plans to review the privacy request of local residents.
- Reeves Mini Park
- Metro
- Capital Improvement Report

10. Recreation and Parks Commission Upcoming Meetings

PREPARATION OF NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: April 24, 2018 / 12:10 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 26th day of June 2018.



Frances Bilak, Chairperson