



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 North Rexford Drive
Room 280A
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

In-Person / Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, October 25, 2022
2:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: October 25, 2022 / 2:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Andrew DeLeon, Recreation Coordinator, led the Pledge of Allegiance

CIVILITY STATEMENT

Chair Sherry read the Civility Statement

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Mishler, Roston, Vice Chair Lurie, Chair Sherry
Commissioners Absent: Javor
Staff Present: Christopher Paulson, Jenny Rogers, Magdalena Davis, Linda Kyriazi, Patty Acuna

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.

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes from the Recreation and Parks Commission Special Meeting from 9/29/2022.
2. Resolution of the Recreation and Parks Commission of the City of Beverly Hills Continuing to Authorize Public Meetings to be Held Via Teleconferencing Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and Making Findings and Determinations Regarding the Same. Recent legislation was adopted allowing the Recreation and Parks Commission to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions and the proposed resolution implements the necessary requirements.

MOTION by Lurie, SECONDED by Roston to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.
(4/0)

AYES: Mishler, Roston, Vice Chair Lurie, Chair Sherry
NOES: None
ABSENT: Javor
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

3. Introduction of new Recreation Supervisor and Recreation Coordinator
Norma Mower & Andrew DeLeon
Christopher Paulson, Recreation Services Manager, introduced two new employees:
Norma Mower, Recreation Supervisor in addition to Andrew DeLeon, Recreation Coordinator.
Both employees informed the Commission of their prior experience in addition to their current job duties.
4. Arts & Culture Programming
Paul Paolone, Senior Recreation Supervisor, will provide an update.
Paul Paolone, Senior Recreation Supervisor, updated the Commission on the past and upcoming Community Services Arts & Culture Programming.
 - Beverly Hills 2022 Fall Art Show that was held October 15 & 16, 2022 was back to pre-Covid with 4 blocks of art displayed along with the Wine & Beer Garden and Children's art areas.
 - Sunday morning the Artist Reception returned along with the Award Ceremony.
 - The May 20th & 21st 2023 Spring Art Show will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary.
 - New artists are being encouraged to apply and can submit an application at:
<https://www.beverlyhills.org/artshow>
 - Sunday, October 30, 2022 a Fall Funtastic Harvest Festival will be held at the Farmers' Market from 9am – 1pm with both a Scarecrow Creation and Pumpkin Carving contests.
 - Beverly Hills ArtWalk Guided Tours continue on November 13th and December 11th, 2022, and include the Sculpture Park and Architectural History Tour. For more information in addition to signing up for a free tour: [beverlyhills.org/artwalk](https://www.beverlyhills.org/artwalk)
These tours are the last for 2022 but the program will continue in 2023 with an expansion of new tours.
 - Greystone Holiday Garden, December 3rd & 4th, 2022, the inside of the mansion will be decorated. Attendees do need to register at [Beverlyhills.org/greystone](https://www.beverlyhills.org/greystone)
5. AYSO Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Christopher Paulson, Recreation Services Manager, will provide the Commission with an overview of the agreement.
Christopher Paulson, Recreation Services Manager, reviewed with the Commission the American Youth Soccer Organization's (AYSO) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).
 - In keeping with best practices as identified by the prior City's Auditor Office, the purpose of this agreement is to clearly establish each group's access to City facilities, community services being provided, times of use, insurance requirements and facility use fees.

- After reviewing all points with the Commission, staff will go forward to complete the MOU process with AYSO.
6. **Filming & Special Events**
Magdalena Davis, Community Services Manager, will inform the Commission on the process.
With the Commission requesting information on permits at the Parks, small events vs. larger ones, Magdalena Davis, Community Services Manager, updated the Commission on the necessary permits needed for filming, photography, and special events that fall under the Filming & Special Events Division of Community Development versus those Special Events that fall under Community Services.
- Chair Sherry asked about the notification of such events as the Commission had questioned an early morning event at Roxbury Park. Staff explained the ways the event is notified to the residents, which are reviewed by staff. The production is responsible for those postings and mailings to a determined radius which is typically 300 feet from the specific site though it could increase to 1000 feet, or to the end of the block, depending how the event impacts the area/neighborhood.
 - When these events cause issues with sound, safety and parking, there are two phone numbers located on every notification that the public can call. The first number is a general special events line answered by staff. The second number is for the organizer.

NEW BUSINESS

7. **Recreation and Parks Award 2022**
Patty Acuna, Assistant Director of Community Services, will provide an update.
Patty Acuna, Assistant Director of Community Services, reviewed with the Commission the process of nominating, evaluating, selecting and recognizing the recipient.
- The Commission agreed to continue the award, to both individuals and organizations, in addition to making a selection for the December 2022 meeting.
 - Vice Chair suggested having the recipient's and/or organization's web site on the form, if they have one.
 - The Commission agreed that the deadline for submitting a December nomination will be Wednesday, November 30, 2022.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

None

STATUS REPORTS

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

PROJECT UPDATES

- Program updates
 - Christopher Paulson, Recreation Services Manager, informed the Commission of the Beverly Hills Girls' Empowerment Camp 2022 hosted by the Beverly Hills Fire Department. This is a 2-day camp scheduled for November 5 & 6, 2022.

- The Beverly Hills Bridge Club has begun again at the La Cienega Tennis Center. They are currently accepting beginners.
- Three election centers are open on City property: City Hall, Roxbury Community Center and the La Cienega Tennis Center. The Park Rangers will be staffing these locations. Staff confirmed signage will be posted.
- Staff is working on winter break, single week camps.
- Staff is currently working on summer camps and the plan is for them to attend the Commissioner Meeting earlier in the year for feedback.
- The City had their Employee Excellence Awards and Park Ranger Carlton received the Exemplary Customer Service Award and the CS team behind Beverly Hills Pride Day was presented with the Bright Idea Award.
- Survey Results from the Recreation & Parks Training
 - Ad hoc breakout meetings are being scheduled to discuss the priority events to develop plans and move forward.
- Universal TK Program
 - Patty Acuna, Assistant Director of Community Services, updated the Commission on the state mandated transitional kindergarten (TK) Program, a free program for age-eligible four-year-old children. Staff will continue to update the Commission on additional information and any impacts to the city.
- Rangers & Homelessness
 - City Council has been concerned about the increase of homeless in the City and staff will be returning to Council on November 15, 2022 with a variety of recommendations and tools.
- Recreation & Parks Commission Priorities
 - Reviewed
- Mayor's Initiatives
 - Business with Bosse:
 - Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 5:30pm – 7pm at Sant'olina, The Beverly Hilton &
 - Tuesday, November 29, 2022, 6pm – 7:30pm, The Belvedere at The Peninsula Hotel
 - Thursday, December 8, 2022, 5:30pm – 7pm, 208 Rodeo, 208 N. Rodeo Drive
 - Live with Lili:
 - Tuesday, November 22, 2022, 7pm – 8pm, City Hall Municipal Gallery
 - Thursday, December 1, 2022, 7pm – 8pm, City Hall Municipal GalleryIf you cannot attend in-person, Live with Lili can be watched at beverlyhills.org/live
- Community Services Events Calendar
 - Vice Chair Lurie asked about a Ballroom Dancing program. Staff to return with details.
 - Vice Chair Lurie noted that since the pandemic, the free Music Mends Minds class is back in person, every Tuesday from 1:30pm – 3pm at Roxbury Community Center.
 - Commissioner Roston asked when the Pickleball Pilot Program will end. Staff informed the Commission that they are working with a 3rd party vendor to assist with the City's survey.
 - Chair Sherry informed staff that residents are requesting a Pickleball Tournament in the City of Beverly Hills.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

9. Chair Report
 - a. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting
 - Meeting Minutes

- Chair Sherry reminded the Commissions of the ZOOZ Fitness Program which is now included in our Community Services and Recreation and Parks class offerings. The ZOOZ Fitness Program empowers individuals with all abilities to become more physically active and live a healthy and balanced lifestyle. This class started on October 17, 2022 and takes place on Mondays at Roxbury Park Community Center.
- b. Ad Hoc Committees
- c. Recreation and Parks Commission Upcoming Meetings
 - Review calendar and attendance
 - The Commission agreed to cancel the November 2022 Commission Meeting and make the December Commission meeting a Special Meeting to be held on December 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
- d. Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities
 - Vice Chair Lurie passed on that a frequent user of the parks was gushing to her how much she loved the programming, especially for seniors, was the best.

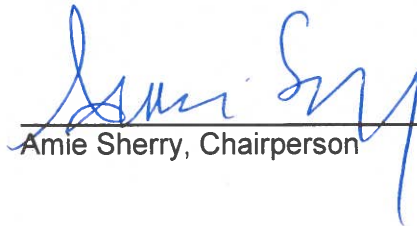
PREPARATION OF NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

NEXT MEETING: December 20, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. – Special Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: October 25, 2022 / 3:54 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 20th day of December 2022



Amie Sherry, Chairperson