



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

In-Person / Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, June 27, 2023
10:00 a.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: June 27, 2023 / 10:01 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Javor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Lurie read the Civility Statement.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Sherry, Javor, Vice Chair Mishler, Chair Lurie
Commissioners Absent: Termeie
Staff Present: Matthew Brown, Adrine Ovasapyan, Stephanie Harris, Patty Acuna,
and Linda Kyriazi

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.

Mr. Andrew Cole spoke about Pickleball and the relocation of the courts in addition to providing promotional & adoption suggestions for Doggie Daze 90210.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Chair Lurie approved the Agenda as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes from the Recreation and Parks Commission Regular Meeting from 05/23/2023.

MOTION by Javor, SECONDED by Sherry to approve the Meeting Minutes as presented. (4/0)

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

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

2. Beverly Hills Unified School District

Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) members Judy Manouchehri and Mary Wells updated the Commission on programs and activities being held at the schools:

- The school year wrapped up with graduations being held at the schools where a new pilot program security system was evaluated.
- Staff has Planning Sessions scheduled for the next months for the upcoming school year.
- A survey was distributed for After School Programming & needs.

PRESENTATIONS

3. Beverly Hills Doggie Daze 90210

Evan Doyle, Recreation Supervisor will present event details on the upcoming pet event scheduled for November 5, 2023 at Wigley Field (Roxbury Park).

Evan Doyle, Recreation Supervisor, informed the Commission of the preliminary plans for this year's Doggie Daze 90210:

- Scheduled for Sunday, November 5, 2023 from 11am – 3pm at Roxbury Park.
- The event is free, family friendly with well-behaved leashed dogs are welcome.
- Parking at Beverly Hills High School with shuttles running every 15 minutes.

4. July – *Parks Make Life Better!*

Matthew Brown, Recreation Services Manager, will present the scheduled activities for July is *Parks Make Life Better!*

Matthew Brown, Recreation Services Manager, informed the Commission on the activities scheduled for *July is Parks Make Life Better!*

- National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) celebrates July as Park and Recreation Month.
- Community Services aligns our branding for the July celebration with the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) campaign "Parks Make Life Better."
- Sunday, July 2, 2023, 8am – 1pm, Kickoff at the Beverly Hills Farmers' Market with weekly activities scheduled throughout the City's parks.
- Sunday, July 30, 2023, Finale at the Beverly Hills Farmers' Market.
- Visit www.beverlyhills.org/parksmakelifebetter for the complete list of July "Parks Make Life Better" month activities and event descriptions.

5. Water Wells Presentation

Public Works will present proposed site locations for La Cienega Park.

Samer Elayyan, Engineering Services Manager, informed the Commissioners of the placement of the City's Water Wells.

- The 2015 Water Enterprise Plan (WEP) evaluated and identified several options for the City to reduce its dependence on the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) imported water and increase its water reliability. In 2020, the City Council adopted the Integrated Water Resources Master Plan (IWRMP), which identified two shallow wells at La Cienega Park as potential well sites that could be developed to increase the City's local groundwater supply portfolio.
- The La Cienega Park Wells Project provides immediate drought relief by drilling two new wells in a very low priority basin that will provide approximately 760 AFY of water reducing imported water supplies by an equal amount, reducing the regional drought impacts to the water supply, and increasing local water supply reliability.
- The first potential well site is located at the southwest corner of the park near the intersection of Le Doux Road and Olympic Boulevard. The second potential well site is located just west of the maintenance yard at the northeast corner of the park near

the intersection of Gregory Way and Gale Drive. Based on preliminary investigation, Well Site 1 and the associated future well building will be outside the field of play at Fenton Field and Well Site 2 will reduce the batting cage area by about 50% but will not reduce the baseball field.

- Community Services staff will continue to work with Public Works to reduce impacts to field space.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

6. TK Programming Update

Interim Recreation Services Manager, Adrine Ovasapyan will provide an update on some proposed draft plans for afterschool programming for the 2023/2024 school year. Interim Recreation Services Manager, Adrine Ovasapyan, updated the Commission on the City's TK Programming:

- The Community Services Department is currently planning for afterschool childcare services that would include childcare and enrichment programs. City staff has been working to address the concerns that were heard from the public comment at the April Recreation & Parks Commission meeting. Many of the concerns were the inconsistent dismissal times for TK and Kindergarten, the allotted number of students being accepted into afterschool programs, request for additional classes, and offering additional options for afterschool care.
- At the conclusion of the 2022/23 school year, BHUSD announced that both TK and Kindergarten grades would be dismissed at 2pm. Starting this August, afterschool programs will be scheduled based on the new dismissal times for both elementary school sites. The City has been working closely with the Beverly Hills Unified School District staff to ensure adequate space is available for programming to be offered for interested students during the afterschool hours.

Thus far, the City has been working on the following:

- Work with the School District to distribute a survey to assess the specific needs of the Community for afterschool programs
- Working to expand our Adventure Camp Program
- Working to expand Enrichment Class Offerings

As we gather this information we will be updating it on our website at

www.beverlyhills.org/afterschool.

STATUS REPORTS

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

PROJECT UPDATES

- Manager updates
 - Matthew Brown, Recreation Services Manager, addressed concerns expressed about the Dog Park's cleanliness. Next month's meeting will address those concerns.
- Recreation & Parks Commission Priorities
- Community Services Events
 - Pie Bake & Fiesta at Farmers' Market, June 11, 2023

- Concerts on Canon – Pride Kickoff, every Thursday through August
- ArtWalk (new City Hall area), July 9, August 6, September 10, 2023
- Inside the Mansion: July 1 & August 6, 2023
- Shakespeare by the Sea – July 26, 2023
- Catskills Performance
- Senior Health Fair
 - The Senior Health Fair is scheduled to return on Monday, September 10, 2023 from 10am – 1pm at Roxbury Community Center
- Excursion Update – Greystone movie theatre
 - The Beverly Hills Active Adult Club (BHAAC) excursions are back and others are being scheduled in the future.
- Community Services Events Calendar
 - Reviewed

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

8. Chair Report
 - a. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting
 - Meeting Minutes
 - Reviewed
 - b. Ad Hoc Committees
 - Chair Lurie updated the Commission on the Day of Wellness scheduled for Sunday, September 10, 2023.
 - Commissioner Sherry announced that the Teen Advisory Committee (TAC) was honored at the June 6, 2023 City Council Meeting. Applications are currently being accepted.
 - c. Recreation and Parks Commission Upcoming Meetings
 - Review calendar and attendance

MOTION by Sherry, SECONDED by Vice Chair Mishler to go dark for the July 25, 2023 Meeting. (4/0)

AYES: Sherry, Javor, Vice Chair Mishler, Chair Lurie

NOES: None

ABSENT: Termeie

ABSTAIN: None

PASSED

- d. Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities
 - Commissioner Javor's end of term.
 - The Commissioners, along with staff, thanked Commissioner Javor for his term of service and acknowledged the projects and events he spearheaded and supported.

PREPARATION OF NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

NEXT MEETING: July go dark or 10am Special Meeting due to City Council conflict
The Commission agreed to go dark in July.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: June 27, 2023 / 11:54 a.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 22nd day of August 2023



Myra B. Lurie, Chairperson