



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, November 23, 2021
2:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: November 23, 2021 / 2:01 p.m.

CIVILITY STATEMENT

Chair Mishler read the Civility Statement

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Lurie, Javor, Roston, Vice Chair Sherry, Chair Mishler
Commissioners Absent: None
Staff Present: Patty Acuña, 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.

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 submitted.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes from the Recreation and Parks Commission Special Meeting from 10/26/2021

Motion by Lurie, Seconded by Vice Chair Sherry to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 10/26/2021. (4/0)

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

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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 Chair Mishler, SECONDED by Javor that we approve the approve the Resolution of the Recreation and Parks Commission of the City of Beverly Hills authoring public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and making findings and determinations regarding the same. (5/0)

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

PRESENTATIONS

3. Drought Update Report
Debby Figoni, Water Conservation Administrator, Public Works
Debby Figoni, Water Conservation Administrator, updated the Commission on the drought and ways to save and water more efficiently.
4. Frieze Week in Beverly Hills
Frieze Presentation
Christine Messineo, Director of Frieze Los Angeles, presented to the Commission Frieze Week in Beverly Hills following discussions at recent City Council meetings. The Frieze event will be held from February 17 – 20, 2022 and the Frieze Sculpture in Beverly Gardens Park will span 3 months through early May 2022.
5. Arts & Culture Programming During Holidays
Paul Paolone, Interim Recreation Services Manager
Paul Paolone, Interim Recreation Services Manager, updated the Commission on the Community Services Holiday Garden Event being held at Greystone Mansion on December 11, 2021. The free family event, catering to elementary school age, will be held outside around the pool area.
Registration for the event can be made on the City's web site.
6. Teen Adventure Camp Presentation
Lisa Castaneda, Senior Recreation Supervisor
Lisa Castaneda, Senior Recreation Supervisor, along with Steven Leungsikul, Child Care Site Coordinator, provided an update on the Teen Adventure Camp.

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NEW BUSINESS

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

None

STATUS REPORTS

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

PROJECT UPDATES

- Program Updates
 - Winter session is scheduled to being January 2022
 - November 24, 2021, The Beverly Hills Fire Association will be providing a Thanksgiving box lunch to seniors who are part of Beverly Hills Active Adult Club (BHAAC).
 - Park Improvements: Roxbury Memorial Park in addition to Coldwater Park areas are scheduled for resurfacing.
 - Music in the Mansion monthly classical series at Greystone Mansion starts January 2022.
 - At the November 16, 2021 City Council Meeting, a new snack shop concessionaire was approved for La Cienega Park.
 - Stephanie Harris, Community Services Manager, informed the Commission that the Dog Park will be closed on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 for maintenance.
 - The City of Beverly Hills was awarded the L.A. Conservancy 2020 Preservation Award which celebrates the best of historic preservation in Los Angeles. This award was presented for the renovation of Beverly Gardens Park.
 - At the November 16, 2021 City Council Meeting, City Council supported a landscape boulder and plaque being installed at a future planted tree at Roxbury Park in recognition of the donation made in honor of Vahagn Setian by the Vahagn Setian Charitable Foundation.
- Wellness Wednesdays Program - Mayoral Initiative
 - Two events have been scheduled on December 1st and 15th, 2021.
- City email
 - The Commission was reminded to use their City mail for City business.
- Events Calendar
 - Reviewed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

8. Chair Report

- a. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting
 - Meeting Minutes
- b. Ad Hoc Committees
- c. Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities
 - Patty Acuña, Assistant Director of Community Services, congratulated Matthew Brown on his promotion to Recreation Services Manager in addition to Lisa Castaneda's promotion to Senior Recreation Supervisor.
 - Commissioner Lurie wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving.

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- Chair Mishler thanked the staff for supporting her during her year as Chair in addition to Vice Chair Amie Sherry.
- Chair Mishler's year as Chair
 - a) The Commission and staff thanked Chair Mishler for serving as Chair the past year and presented her with an inscribed gavel. Commissioner Myra Lurie will be the Vice Chair in 2022.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

9. Recreation and Parks Commission Upcoming Meetings
Review calendar and attendance
- The Commission agreed to cancel the December Commission meeting.

PREPARATION OF NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

NEXT MEETING: January 25, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: November 23, 2021 / 3:25 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 25th day of January 2022

Amie Sherry

Amie Sherry, Chairperson