



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting
October 20, 2004

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cline called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Cline, Vice-Chair Watkins, Commissioners Barany, Luder, Maurano, Silano, and Whittaker.

OTHERS PRESENT: Curtis Brown, Director of Community Services; Bob Roessler, Community Services Manager; Dirk Alvarado, Recreation Supervisor; and Linda Munguia, Secretary

ABSENT: None

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS: None

B. COMMISSION VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS: None

C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1: None

D. CONSENT CALENDAR: None

E. PUBLIC HEARING: None.

F. REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of Recommendations Regarding Off-leash Dog Activity Areas

Staff gave an overview of the committee recommendations and staff recommendations regarding off-leash dog park activities from the off-leash committee.

Committee Recommendations

Burgess Park (1A)

Unfenced on grass M-F 6-9am

Willow (2A)

Fenced on grass 7 days dawn-dusk

Sharon Park-Tree Area (3A)

Fenced on Mulch 7 days dawn-dusk

Stanford Hills (4A)

Unfenced on grass M-F 7-10am

Nealon Park Field (5A)

Fenced on grass M-F 7:30-10am

Lyle Park (6A)

Unfenced on grass M-F 7:30-10am

Staff Recommendations

Willow (1B)

Fenced on decomposed granite 7 days dawn-dusk

Sharon Park-Tree Area (2B)

Fenced on decomposed granite 7 days dawn-dusk

Nealon Park (3B)

Fenced on decomposed granite M-F dawn-dusk

Public Comments:

Calvin Jones, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding the dog park activities.

Paul Wineman, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding the dog park activities.

Jacqueline Wender, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding the dog park activities.

Nancy Brandon, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding the dog park activities in Sharon Park.

Maya Sewald, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding the dog park activities in Sharon Park and Sharon Heights Park.

Susan Traversat, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding the dog park activities in Jack Lyle Park.

Bernard Traversat, Menlo Park address the Commission with his opposition regarding the dog park activities in Jack Lyle Park.

Derek Coleman, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding the dog park activities and Sharon Park.

Victoria Coleman, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding the dog park activities in Sharon Park

Richard Van Horen, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his acceptance regarding the dog park activities in Willow Oaks Park.

Gayle Bobbitt, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding the dog park activities in Jack Lyle Park.

Sandra Drake, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding the dog park activities.

Raymond Meyer, Palo Alto addressed the Commission with his acceptance regarding the dog park activities.

Kim Reed, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding the dog park activities.

James Bohac, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding the dog park activities.

Carel Veenhuizen, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his acceptance regarding dog park activities and Nealon Park and Jack Lyle Park.

Derek Marsano, Menlo Park addressed the commission with his opposition regarding dog park activities.

Jacqueline Wender, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding the dog park activities.

Dick Morris, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding the dog park activities in Sharon Park.

Schel Reyes, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding dog park activities.

Suzanne Brownstein, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding dog park activities in Nealon Park.

Rosalynn Auslander, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding dog park activities in Fremont Park.

Elizabeth Houck, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding dog park activities in Nealon Park.

Pauline Jacobus, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding dog park activities.

Catherine Carlton, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding dog park activities in Sharon Heights Park.

Morris Enfield, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding dog park activities in Sharon Park

Kelly Martin, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding dog park activities in Willow Oaks Park

Kelly Blythe, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his acceptance regarding dog park activities.

Chuck Jones, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding dog park activities.

Mindy Mulligan, Redwood City addressed the Commission with her acceptance regarding dog park activities.

Cort Dickinson, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his opposition regarding dog park activities in Sharon Heights Park.

Laura Joukovski, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with her opposition regarding dog park activities in Nealon Park

Dan Hilberman, Menlo Park addressed the Commission with his acceptance regarding dog park activities in Jack Lyle Park.

Committee Recommendations

Burgess Park (1A)

Motion Commissioner Luder, seconded by Chair Cline, motion defeated 5-2

Willow Oaks Park (2A)

Motion Commissioner Luder, seconded by Chair Cline, motion defeated 4-3

Sharon Park (3A)

Motion Chair Cline, seconded by Whittaker, motion defeated 7-0

Stanford Hills (4A)

Motion Commissioner Luder, seconded by Barany, motion defeated 5-2

Nealon Park – (5A)

Motion Commissioner Luder, seconded by Silano 6-1 in favor, with a 6 month trial period

Lyle Park (6A)

Motion Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Chair Cline, motion defeated 6-1

Friendly Amendments

(1) Willow Oaks Park

a. Dawn to 8a.m. and 5p.m. to dusk

Motion Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Silano, motion defeated 5-2

b. No Fence, off-leash Dawn to Dusk

Motion Commissioner Barany, seconded by Whittaker, 4-3 in favor

Staff Recommendations

Willow Oaks Park (1B)

Motion Chair Cline, seconded by Maurano, motion defeated 7-0

Sharon Park (2B) not considered due to previous vote on Commission recommendations 3A

Nealon Park (3B)

Motion Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Cline, motion defeated 7-0

G. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS: None.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT #2:

Chuck Podamas, Menlo Park

Elizabeth Houck, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park at Nealon Park.

Mindy Mulligan, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park at Willow Oaks Park.

Kelly Martin, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park at Willow Oaks Park.

Victoria Menard, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park.

Bernard Traversat, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park at Jack Lyle Park.

Laura Joukovski, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park.

Kelly Blythe, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park at Willow Oaks Park.

Schel Reyes, Menlo Park addressed the Commission regarding the Dog Park.

J. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.