# Parks & Recreation Commission



# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Date:10/25/2017Time:6:30 p.m.Arrillaga Family Recreation CenterCypress Room700 Alma St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

## A. Call To Order

Chair Stanwood called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

#### B. Roll Call

Present: Chair Stanwood, Vice Chair Johnson, Commissioner Baskin, Commissioner Harris, Commissioner Lane (arrived at 6:44 p.m.) Commissioner Staley and Commissioner Palefsky Absent: None Staff: Assistant Community Services Director, Derek Schweigart

#### C. Public Comment

Jacqui Cebrian (donated time from Lynne Bramlett) with the Library Commission spoke to the Commission regarding the Little Free Library pilot project.

#### D. Study Session

D1. Update on the Menlo Atherton Performing Arts Center

Recreation Coordinator, Matt Milde gave the Commission an update on the Menlo Atherton Performing Arts Center. He mentioned the history of the Performing Arts Center, the current programming, Menlo Park Grant for the Arts and the current challenges of the Performing Arts Center.

### E. Regular Business

E1. Accept Commission minutes for the meeting of September 18, 2017 and October 11, 2017 (attachment) (attachment)

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Palefsky/Baskin) to accept the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of September 18, 2017 passes unanimously

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Staley/Johnson) to accept the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of October 11, 2017 passes unanimously

E2. Consider a recommendation to the City Council to rename Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark, Menlo Park resident and WWII veteran (Staff Report # 17-025-PRC)

Cecilia Taylor and Julie Shanson with Belle Haven Action Group spoke to the Commission regarding renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark, Menlo Park resident and WWII veteran. They presented to the Commission a petition with 115 neighborhood resident signatures.

**Public Comments** 

- Lynn Bramlett spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Robert Corpus spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Joe Rutherford spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Donna Rutherford spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- LJ Anderson spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Vicky Robledo spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Greg Goodwin spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Stewart Hyland spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.
- Keisha Evans spoke in support of renaming Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark.

After discussion, the following action was taken by the Commission:

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Harris/Baskin) to recommend to the City Council to rename Market Place Park after Mr. Karl Clark, Menlo Park resident and WWII veteran passes unanimously

E3. Review and consider the results of a safety analysis of crumb rubber infill material on the artificial turf field at Hillview School and recommend next steps, if any (Staff Report # 17-026-PRC)

David Teter with Millennium Consulting Associates gave the Commission the results on the safety analysis of crumb rubber infill collected from the synthetic turf athletic field located at Hillview Middle School and Kelly Park. Ahmad Sheikholeslami with the Menlo Park City School District was also present to respond to Commission questions.

E4. Adopt a recommendation to City Council to approve the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master Plan (Staff Report #17-027-PRC)

Project Manager, Marie Mai with Callander Associates and the Commission reviewed the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master Plan. City staff recommended that the Commission approve a

recommendation to the City Council in support of the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master Plan including whether or not the plan should include an outdoor classroom/ seating area, off-leash Dog Park and a model glider area.

Public Comment:

- Harry Ackley spoke in support of a model glider area at Bedwell Bayfront Park
- Mitch Brenner passed on his public comment
- Eileen McLaughlin spoke regarding opposition to a kayak launch at Bedwell Bayfront Park
- Allan Bedwell with Friends of Bedwell Bayfront Park spoke regarding opposition to an off-leash Dog Park and a model glider area at Bedwell Bayfront Park
- Christine Couch spoke regarding opposition to an off-leash Dog Park at Bedwell Bayfront Park
- Chris Macintosh spoke regarding opposition to a kayak launch, an off-leash Dog Park and a model glider area at Bedwell Bayfront Park
- Davena Gentry with Friends of Bedwell Bayfront Park spoke regarding opposition to a kayak launch at Bedwell Bayfront Park
- Helen Wolter spoke regarding opposition to a kayak launch and an off-leash Dog Park

After discussion, the following action was taken by the Commission:

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Lane/Palefsky) to recommend to City Council to approve the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master Plan passes unanimously

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Palefsky/Lane) to exclude the kayak launch from the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master Plan passes (6-1-0 Stanwood aye)

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Lane/Baskin) to include an off-leash Dog Park to the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master Plan fails (2-5-0 Lane, Baskin aye)

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Palefsky/Harris) to include an outdoor classroom/seating area to the Bedwell Bayfront Park Master plan passes unanimously

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Johnson/Lane) to include a model glider area to the Bedwell Bayfront park fails (3-4-0 Lane, Johnson and Stanwood aye)

## F. Reports and Annoucements

F1. Commissioner Reports

There was no Commissioner Report

F2. Community Services Director's update and announcements (Staff Report #17-024-PRC) The Community Services Director's update and announcements were not given.

# G. Adjournment

Chair Stanwood adjourned the meeting at 10:02 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Linda Munguia, Senior Office Assistant

These minutes were approved at the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of November 15, 2017