Parks & Recreation Commission



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: 6/23/2021 Time: 6:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting Location: Zoom.us/join – ID# 911 6597 4358

A. Call to Order

Chair Baskin called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Baskin, Brosnan, Diepenbrock, Joshua, Payne, Thomas

Absent: Bryman

Staff: Library and Community Services Director Reinhart, Assistant Library Services

Director Szegda, Recreation Supervisor Zeo

The Commission welcomed the new members:

- Aurora Brosnan
- Peter Joshua
- David Thomas

C. Public Comment

None.

D. Regular Business

D1. Accept the Parks and Recreation Commission minutes for the meeting of May 26, 2021

ACTION: Motion and second (Payne/ Diepenbrock) to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission minutes for the meeting of May 26, 2021, passed (Bryman absent).

D2. Select new Parks and Recreation Commission Chair and Vice Chair

ACTION: Motion and second (Diepenbrock/ Thomas) to select Commissioner Brosnan as Commission Chair, passed 6-0-1 (Bryman absent).

ACTION: Motion and second (Joshua/ Diepenbrock) to select Commissioner Baskin as Commission Vice Chair, passed 6-0-1 (Bryman absent).

D3. Review tennis court user feedback received during the tennis court day/time usage survey

Recreation Supervisor Zeo made the presentation.

ACTION: Motion and second (Thomas/ Diepenbrock) to recommend:

- Limit tennis reservations at Nealon Park to court #1;
- Resume posting link to daily court reservations as soon as possible;

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- Pilot a racquet queueing system at Nealon Park for those waiting to play;
- Pilot a no-key access system at Kelly Park and La Entrada tennis courts, and;
- Separate courts #1 and #2 at Nealon Park with a net when practicable
- passed unanimously.

E. Informational Items

E1. Department updates

Director Reinhart introduced the item.

Staff recommended that Nealon court #5 be reserved exclusively for pickleball from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and other times are first-come first-serve for tennis or pickleball. Tennis players are encouraged to use courts other than #5 when pickleball players are waiting (if other courts are available), due to the pickleball court availability.

E2. Parks and Recreation Commission tentative agenda calendar

ACTION: By acclamation, the following were added to the tentative agenda calendar:

- July Review of aquatics programming
- July Citywide survey about recreation programs, services, and fees
- Unscheduled three-month review of changes made at Nealon Park tennis courts

F. Commissioner Reports

F1. Individual Commissioner reports (Commissioner Baskin)

Commissioner Baskin gave the report.

G. Adjournment

Chair Baskin adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Nick Szegda, Assistant Library Services Director

Minutes approved at the July 28, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting



TENNIS USAGE SURVEY RESULTS

TODD ZEO – RECREATION SUPERVISOR





TENNIS COURT USAGE SURVEY

- LCS sent all tennis court key holders a survey asking the following the questions
 - Which Menlo Park Tennis Courts do you use when you play?
 - How Frequently do you use Menlo Park Tennis Courts
 - Which days of the week do you typically use the Menlo Park Tennis Courts?
 - What time of the day do you most often use the Menlo Park Tennis Courts?
 - Are you a Menlo Park resident?
- Responses included as attachment in staff report



SURVEY RESPONSES

- Survey participation was good with 282 responses approx. 550 key holders
- Nealon Park is the busiest by far
- La Entrada and Kelly Park are the least busy
- Weekends are twice as busy as weekdays
- Time of day is evenly distributed, with evenings slightly less busy
- Free text responses
 - Too many private lessons
 - Availability of courts for walk-up



POTENTIAL RESPONSES

- Limit reservations by private instructors to certain locations or times of day
- Resume posting the daily reservations on courts
- Implement a time limit when others are waiting, and a system for users to track this onsite.
- Identify courts that can potentially be accessed without a key



QUESTIONS

Questions and Discussion



THANK YOU

