

City of Hawthorne
Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission
July 2, 2019

LET THE RECORD SHOW PURSANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2 THIS AGENDA WAS POSTED ON THE CITY COUNCEL CHAMBERS BULLETIN BOARD AT JUNE 27, 2019.

The Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission meeting was called to order by Commissioner Huhn @ 6:05 pm in the City Council Chambers of Hawthorne City Hall.

Roll Call:

Present: Commissioners Balboa, Azuoma, Marquez, Posey and Chairman Huhn.

Absent: Commissioner Plascencia and Bowie (excused)

Also Present: Von Norris, Director of Recreation & Community Services and Dominique Ochoa, Administrative Clerk.

The flag salute was led by Commissioner Huhn.

Commissioner Huhn made a motion to approve minutes of June 4, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Balboa.

Written Communications:

- A. The Commissioners reviewed the City Council minutes.
- B. The Commissioner reviewed the July 2019 Memorial Center & Sports Center Calendars.
- C. The Commission also reviewed the June 2019 maintenance report.

Parks & Recreation Foundation Report:

Chairman Huhn mentioned that the Golf Tournament did not do well. There are five new courses that are being looked at for next year's tournament.

Director's Report:

Director Norris mentioned that park improvements on Zela Davis are in progress. Waiting on July 9th for council to approve the grant.

The park program and wading pools have been packed with kids since they opened. The lunch program has been going well also. Also noted that we are one of the only South Bay cities that still have wading pools. Will also be starting a project to work on the draining for the pools.

Sunday Adaptive swimming classes have filled up and were also added for Saturdays. The community has also taken advantage of our Swimming Scholarships offered and will also be looking into subsidize prices for other sports as well.

Summer sports clinic have also been doing very well, majority have filled up. Many signed up for a new option that was offered this summer; both a.m. and p.m. sessions offered for a discounted price.

Dodgers foundation is starting their fitness clinics.

The Fall brochure will be out in August.

Presentation:

The LA Neighborhood Land trust gave a presentation regarding the grant program and prop 68. A community survey was done and results came back in with the community requesting to increase the nature and greenery in the park as well as exercise equipment and more artwork / murals done. They would also like to increase visibility around the park. So far there are three concepts for Zela Davis Park and the final grant application should be submitted by the end of the month.

Commissioner's Comments:

Commissioner Azuoma spoke on the MR. & Mrs. Hawthorne pageant and would like to have ambassadors included. Would look for specific qualities as in community involvement and civic duties. The age would range from high school students through college.

Commissioner Huhn will be bringing the approved quote for the improvements of the new artwork for Jim Thorpe Park from the previous artist.

All commissioners agreed that National Night Out is scheduled for August 6th.

Commissioner Posey noted that the work done on the basketball courts at Eucalyptus Park was great.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Huhn @ 7:30 pm. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at Betty Ainsworth Sports Center.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Dominique Ochoa