

PARKS, WELLNESS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**September 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes
6:30 p.m., City Hall-Council Chambers
117 Macneil Street, San Fernando, CA 91340**

PRESENT: Commissioner Danitza Pantoja, Commissioner Saydith Navarro and
Commissioner Joe Ponce

ABSENT: Commissioner Adriana Gomez, Commissioner Nina Ballin

ALSO PRESENT: Ismael Aguila, Recreation and Community Services Operations Manager
Linda Bowden-Moreno, Recreation & Community Services Office Specialist

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

- Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Commission Vice Chair, Danitza Pantoja.
- Present: Pantoja, Navarro and Ponce
- Absent: Gomez, Ballin

II. Pledge of Allegiance

- Commissioner Navarro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made to approve the agenda of the Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission for September 9, 2014 with the following amendment: Item VI, "Police Monthly Report", was removed from the agenda.

Motion: Navarro Second by: Ponce

For: All

Against: None

Abstained: None

IV. Consent Calendar

- Approval of Minutes – August 12, 2014

- Item was tabled due to lack of quorum.

V. Public Comment

- None

VI. New Business

A. Senior Citizen Advisory Board Re-appointments for Angel Avila and Marco Tulio Escobar.

- Staff presented a memorandum to the Commission recommending the renewal of the appointments of Angel Avila and Marco Tulio Escobar for another two year term as members of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board.
- Both members' terms are due to expire on October 9, 2014. There is no regular meeting for the Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission in October and for that reason this item was presented at the September meeting.

Motion was made to renew the appointments for Angel Avila and Marco Tulio Escobar for another two year term as members of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board.

Motion: Ponce Second by: Navarro

For: All

Against: None

Abstained: None

VII. Old Business

A. Health Campaign/5K Diabetes Event Update

- Ismael reported that the Health Campaign has been implemented as of July 1st. About 12, 000 advertisements have gone out to promote this campaign.
- The 5K event is planned for October 11th. On-line registration is available. Kiwanis has offered to sponsor some families facing financial hardships.
- A training program is available for those interested at a cost of \$25.00.
- The application is not available in Spanish but assistance is available for those who request it.

- Outreach has been in the form of on-line and email. A full page ad will be in the San Fernando Sun and on raceplace.com (website and magazine). Door to door delivery will be starting next week. Volunteers will be visiting local businesses and schools. Incentives for participation will include prizes and a pool party.
- Tierra del Sol students have been invited to participate.
- Commissioner Gomez commended Ismael for the extensive outreach. She suggested staff reach out to the Boys and Girls Club. She will seek volunteers from Kiwanis Key Club.
- Commissioner Ponce will reach out Olive View Hospital.

VII. Staff Communication

- Ismael informed the Commission that this Friday is *Family Swim Night*, MMAP will perform at the Summer Concert on August 24th, and the *Passport to Fitness Event* is scheduled on August 28th to promote L.A. Care's new resource center and the City's 103rd birthday will be celebrated on August 30th.
- The next Food Bank Distribution will be on Tuesday, September 9th. The Senior Yoga class is starting the fall semester on August 11th. The Aerobics class is not scheduled to begin at this time as there is no instructor available. The adult school will continue to search for an instructor to be able to offer this class.

VIII. Commissioner Comments

- Commissioner Gomez had questions regarding the use of the new parking lot.
- The parking lot was quite full during the summer. The lot is empty overnight as it is locked up.
- Commissioner Gomez referred *Compañia de Café* as a candidate for California Fit Business Kit Program.

X. Agenda Items for Next Meeting (September 9, 2014)

- Commissioners may email agenda items to staff.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Motion: Gomez Second by: Ponce
For: All
Against: None
Abstained: None