

**LOMPOC PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
September 11, 2018  
City Hall Council Chambers  
100 Civic Center Plaza**

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Pat Brady  
Dave Baker  
Steve Bridge  
Charles Sommer  
Jennie Walker

Staff Present: Mario Guerrero, Jr., Recreation Manager  
Dirk Ishiwata, Facilities, Fleet & Park Maintenance Manager  
Kevin McCune, Public Works Director  
Sara Farrell, Development Programs Specialist II  
Shandee Vega, Office Staff Assistant II

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Newly appointed Commissioner Walker introduced herself and provided an overview of her background.

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Thompson Park Project Update –by Sara Farrell, Development Programs Specialist II

Sara Farrell provided an update of the Thompson Park Project. She announced the grand opening will be September 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. The scoreboard, bleachers, installation of electricity into the press box and the removal of some of the fencing will be completed before the ribbon cutting. She went on to say the next restroom project will be installed at Pioneer Park and should be completed by mid-December. Commissioner Brady questioned if Thompson Park can be rented out. Mario replied yes. Commissioner Baker inquired if the only update at Pioneer Park will be the restrooms. Sara replied, that new signage will be installed as well as new bleachers as we were able to get additional bleachers which were manufacture errors from Thompson Park. Mario commended Sara on doing a great job on the project. Commissioner Walker asked what the prioritization of the restrooms were for each park. Sara replied all of the restrooms are grant funded to be Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant. Dirk replied Parks in low income areas are being completed first.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

1. Approval of Minutes for August 14, 2018 Regular Meeting
2. Accept Recreation Monthly Activity Report
3. Accept Park Monthly Activity Report

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bridge made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, with a second by Commissioner Sommer. The motion passed with unanimous vote.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Criteria for Special Events being presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission- Written Report by Mario Guerrero Jr., Recreation Manager

Mario provided a list of ideas to use for criteria for Special Events being presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Discussion took place between the Commissioners and all decided that all first time events and prior events that had negative community feedback were their top options. Mario will come back with an updated report.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bridge made a motion to suggest option one and three be the guidelines, with a second by Commissioner Baker. The motion passed with unanimous vote.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Commissioner Bridge's request to begin a study on cost saving measures for potential savings in the Parks Division – Update by Dirk Ishiwata, Facilities, Fleet & Parks Maintenance Manager

Commissioner Bridge presented a Power Point on beginning a study on cost savings measures for potential savings in the Parks Division. Kevin McCune commended Commissioner Bridge on the work he put into this study. He stated they are hoping all recommendations are completed by November. Mario suggested forming an Ad-Hoc with Commissioner Bridge and Dirk.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bridge made a motion to form an Ad-Hoc Committee, with a second by Commissioner Sommer. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Sommer made a motion that Commissioner Walker be a member on the Ad-Hoc Committee, with a second by Commissioner Baker. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

NONE

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum):**

Kevin McCune informed Commission that 52 people and 21 tents total that have checked into the River Park Triage Center and they are hoping it will last 30 days.

### **STAFF REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Dirk Ishiwata reported the River Park Triage Center is quiet as of now and is expecting about 70 people total checking in. The electrical at the RV Campgrounds is being updated and hoping to start in the next 3-4 weeks and are hoping to update the Wi-Fi as well. Commissioner Brady asked if there has been any impact at the RV Campground from the homeless. Dirk replied no. He reported graffiti at Thompson Park has been removed twice since the last Commission Meeting. The Parks Division is prepping for Mexican Independence Day in addition to working with Jonathan Osborne on getting Pickleball set up at Ryon Park Tennis Courts for Make a Difference Day and there were only 26 complaints this past month. Dirk concluded with the Thompson Park grand opening being on September 27<sup>th</sup> and the Fallen Warriors at Beattie Park on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
2. Mario Guerrero, Jr., provided an update on the reports that were brought to City Council on September 4<sup>th</sup>. Mexican Independence Day will be on September 16<sup>th</sup> at Ryon Park, the Electrical Car Show will be from 11AM-3PM on September 16<sup>th</sup>, both the Lompoc Youth Football League and the Lompoc American Youth Soccer Association seasons have begun. He continued to say the Dick DeWees Community and Senior Center on Thursday will be rented out by NASA for a workshop. Parking lot improvements have begun at the Dick DeWees Community and Senior Center parking lot as well and should be completed by tomorrow. Mario reported on the pool closure at the Aquatic Center stating concrete work was completed on the Activity Pool, the pool heater was repaired, tower slides were cleaned, the blue slide was waxed, and the locker room was power washed and bleached in addition to new posts being installed on the benches. The landscaping near the flag pool was also cleaned and updated. He concluded with the front office being down two Office Staff Assistant's at the Anderson Recreation Center.

### **COMMISSION REQUESTS, COMMENTS, AND MEETING REPORTS**

1. Commissioner Baker mentioned he is being deployed tomorrow to Virginia to support the hurricane. He could be gone 3-4 weeks but could possibly be available by email if needed.
2. Commissioner Bridge recommended installing a mural on the press box at Thompson Park with a second by Commissioner Sommer. All were in favor.
3. Commissioner Brady thanked Commissioner Baker for supporting the Thompson Park request to City Council. She will not be attending the meeting in October and also requested Staff to do an orientation for new Commissioners. Commissioner Walker responded that Mario gave her a great orientation.
4. Commissioner Sommer requested a detailed report of what was completed during the Aquatic Center closure. Mario replied he will bring a list of what was completed at next meeting. Commissioner Sommer also inquired about the AIDS Ride and if they

- were allowed to be on the Ryon Park Tennis Courts and if there was damage done and if a deposit was kept. Dirk replied they were allowed to be on the Tennis Courts and damage was done with assessment being completed to retain a deposit. Commissioner Sommer asked what plants will be planted around the flag pole at the Aquatic Center. Mario replied mulch and succulents will be planted as well as a new flag. Commissioner Sommer requested impact fees from Dirk. Dirk replied he didn't have a chance to get those to him but will email those to him.
5. Commissioner Walker requested to add an agenda item for the October meeting to discuss and request a longer term solution for ongoing funds for maintenance for Parks and Recreation. All were in favor.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:42 P.M. Commissioner Bridge moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Commission to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Lompoc City Council Chamber, at 100 Civic Center Plaza, Lompoc, CA; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Sommer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Brady, Commission Chair

Mario Guerrero Jr., Secretary