



**CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, December 19, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245**

CALLED TO ORDER – The meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission was called to order by Chairperson Caravello at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Commissioner Glynn-Rich

ROLL CALL –

Commissioner Rob Croxall	-	Present
Commissioner Bob Motta	-	Present
Commissioner Glynn-Rich	-	Present
Vice Chairperson Debbie Bundy	-	Present
Chairperson Joe Caravello	-	Present

ALSO PRESENT –

Bob Cummings, Recreation and Parks Director
Meredith Petit, Recreation Supervisor
Mark Trujillo, Parks Superintendent
Dan O'Toole, El Segundo TV Manager
Jackie Day, Administrative Specialist

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Ted Shove, the City's Economic Development Analyst, provided an update of revisions to the TopGolf proposal based on feedback previously received.

The Commissioners expressed the following concerns and feedback about the TopGolf proposal:

- Want to make sure the price of balls will be practical and realistic to the customers currently using the driving range.
- Want the facility to continue to be a suitable environment for all users, including youth and seniors.
- Want the facility to provide warm-up and practice golfers the same ease of access they currently have; that they can hit a bucket of balls in the same amount of time as they do now.
- Concern that the facility is shifting from a Recreation Facility to a for-profit business model.
- Concern that there could be a loss of revenue while the facility is closed during construction.
- Would like to be assured that TopGolf is financially viable and will bring new revenues to the City.

- Concern that the TopGolf pro-shop/gift shop could compete with and not compliment the current pro-shop.
- The Commission is interested in hearing other ideas and options for changing or repurposing a portion of The Lakes facility.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS –

1. Josh Alpert, El Segundo Resident and founder of Good Swings Happen gave the Commission a brief overview of the youth golf programs at The Lakes. Although he is open to TopGolf, he is interested in hearing more about what would really happen and would like to see the golf course remain a safe and educational environment for youth.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR –

1. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the Recreation and Parks Commission Regular Meeting of October 17, 2012.** (Commission Action Required)

MOTIONED by Commissioner Motta and SECONDED by Chairperson Caravello to approve the meeting minutes of October 17, 2012. MOTIONED CARRIED 5 – 0.

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

None

C. NEW BUSINESS –

None

D. REPORTS –

Meredith Petit, Recreation Superintendent

- Written report submitted
- The Winter Brochure was published as an insert in the December 13 issue of the Herald.
- The lottery system for swim classes is underway.
- It is time to renew Rec ID cards; a calendar is being given to all who renew cards before January 5.

Mark Trujillo, Parks Superintendent

- Written report submitted
- Staff attended to a failed ficus tree at Washington Park.

Dan O'Toole, El Segundo TV Manager

- Written report submitted
- El Segundo TV covered holiday events; parade was a great success.

Bob Cummings, Recreation and Parks Director

- Thanked staff for doing a great job; thanked the Commission for their continued support.
- Acknowledged El Segundo TV for becoming a city-wide media source. They do more than cover events. Shared a compilation video of recent El Segundo TV event coverage.

E. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS –

Commissioner Croxall: None

Commissioner Motta: Thanked staff; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Commissioner Glynn Rich: Thanked staff; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Vice-Chair Bundy: Agreed with fellow Commissioners

Commissioner Caravello: Thanked staff for a fun, productive year; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT -

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. until the next Regular Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA.