

CITY OF EL SEGUNDO RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 21, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall West Conference Room, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Chairperson Glynn-Rich

ROLL CALL -

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

ALSO PRESENT -

Bob Cummings, Recreation and Parks Director Meredith Petit, Recreation Superintendent Mark Trujillo, Parks Superintendent Dan O'Toole, Cable Division Program Manager Jackie Day, Administrative Specialist

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS -

None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS –

Consideration and possible action to approve or deny a request from Chris Compton of Direct TV to increase the number of players allowed on the Campus El Segundo soccer fields from 9 to 14 players per game for 31 days starting September 22, 2011 to allow players to enjoy 7 vs. 7 instead of 4 vs. 5 games, until staff can review this and other changes.

Joe Phan from Direct TV was present to represent Chris Compton who was busy and could not attend the meeting. Mr. Phan stated that the nine player maximum allowed on the field was not practical; 4 vs. 5 is not fair and 4 vs. 4 is not enough players per team. He is requesting that the total of allowed players on the field be increased to 14 so they can play 7 vs. 7.

The Commission requested staff to review Campus El Segundo field polices and bring their recommendations before the Commission at the October meeting.

MOTIONED by Commissioner Motta and SECONDED by Commissioner Bundy to deny the request from Chris Compton until staff has an opportunity to provide more information in October. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR -

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the Recreation and Parks Commission Regular Meeting of August 17, 2011. (Commission Action Required)

MOTIONED by Commissioner Motta and SECONDED by Commissioner Bundy to approve the meeting minutes of August 17, 2011. MOTIONED CARRIED 3 - 0. (Vice-Chair Caravello and Commissioner Croxall were absent)

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

None

C. NEW BUSINESS -

1. Consideration and possible action to approve (1) Ordinance amending Chapter 9-3 of the El Segundo Municipal Code (ESMC) in its entirety regarding Street Trees; (2) Revised Administrative Policies and Procedures for Street Trees in the Master Street Plan. The changes will include (a) Allowing property owners the option to apply for a permit from the Recreation and Parks Department to hire approved contractors to remove or maintain trees at their own convenience and expense; (b) Allowing staff to remove and replace trees that are underperforming and have lost their aesthetic value and purpose. (Fiscal Impact: None)

MOTIONED by Commissioner Motta and SECONDED by Commissioner Bundy to (1) approve the Ordinance amending ESMC Chapter 9-3 entitled "Street Trees" and recommend for City Council's adoption; (2) approve the revised Administrative Policies and Procedures for Street Trees with amended verbiage to reflect proper titles consistently throughout the document. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

 Consideration and possible action regarding a request from El Segundo Lacrosse to reduce field fees to \$50 per hour while hosting a Lacrosse Spring Break Program for teams across the country from February 13, 2012 through April 20, 2012. (Fiscal Impact: Potential loss of \$45,000 in reservation revenue)

Kim Wood and Rhonda Andrew, co-chairs for the new Spring Break 2012 Lacrosse Program, were present to represent El Segundo Lacrosse. They are asking for fees to be reduced so they can be competitive and entice teams from the northeastern United States to their program. Their goal is to funnel funds to El Segundo Lacrosse as they would like to eventually have CIF teams at the High School. With budget constraints in the school district they will have to be self-funding. They are asking for this reduction in fees during non-peak hours at Campus El Segundo. El Segundo schools are off for spring break during one week of the program and, if necessary, El Segundo Lacrosse is willing to work around that week.

Bob Cummings added that Recreation staff believes we can accommodate the request from El Segundo Lacrosse as the field would probably not be reserved during the times they are requesting; Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm and we would be generating \$22,000 in revenue for the City that we would not otherwise get.

MOTIONED by Commissioner Motta and SECONDED by Chairperson Glynn-Rich to move the request from El Segundo Lacrosse for reduced field fees forward to City Council for approval. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

D. REPORTS -

Meredith Petit, Recreation Superintendent

- Written report submitted
- The Plunge is closed until September 26th for the installation of a rebuilt pump. Aquatics staff has been busy cleaning, organizing, and painting while the pool has been closed.
- Recreation and Parks received a letter from the State of California and they scheduled a site visit on October 3rd for the Acacia Park project that we applied for grant funding.

Commissioner Motta asked how Alex Fowler's Eagle Scout project at Camp Eucalyptus turned out. Mark said Alex did a good job.

Commissioner Bundy commented that it is fantastic that we had 28 co-ed softball teams this year and that we did not displace them from the fields. She also thinks the Teen Center parties after the football games are a fantastic idea.

Mark Trujillo, Parks Superintendent

Written report submitted

Commissioner Bundy likes the recycled park benches and thinks the basketball court looks great. Mark complimented Meredith on her choice of color combination

Chairperson Glynn-Rich inquired how long the racquetball court project will take. Mark said 2 weeks.

Dan O'Toole, Cable Division Program Manager

- Written report submitted
- Imperial Highway will be closed this weekend at Aviation.

Bob Cummings, Recreation and Parks Director

Although the Public Works and maintenance processes can take a long time, he is excited
about the many improvements that are currently underway, including the racquetball
courts. Staff will do our best to give the Commission before and after photos.

E. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS -

Commissioner Croxall: Absent Commissioner Motta: None

Commissioner Bundy: Thanked staff for doing a fantastic job.

Vice-Chair Caravello: Absent Commissioner Glynn-Rich: None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT -

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm until the next Regular Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA.