Parks & Recreation Commission Agenda

Campbell Police Department EOC, 100 N. First Street, Campbell, CA

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REGULAR MEETING OF PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Wednesday, October 7, 2026, 7:00 pm
Campbell Police Department EOC, 100 N. First Street, Campbell, CA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Special Meeting – September 2, 2026*

PRESENTATIONS

ORAL REQUESTS
NOTE: This is the point on the agenda where members of the public may address the Commission on items of concern to the community that are not listed on the agenda this evening. People may speak for up to two (2) minutes on any matter concerning the Commission. The law generally prohibits the Commission from discussion or taking action on such items. However, the Commission may Instruct staff accordingly regarding Oral Request.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS
A. Oktoberfest Fun Run (G1, WP3)

B. Community Events* (G1, WP3 & G3, WP1)
C. Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety ad hoc committee report* (G2, WP4)

STAFF REPORTS

A. Parks (Public Works Superintendent Ron Taormina)
B. Recreation & Community Services (Recreation Services Director Natasha Bissell)

INFORMATION ONLY

A. Good of the Game

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING

Regular Meeting: November 4, 2026

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*Indicates written report

CITY OF CAMPBELL
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
CAMPBELL, CALIFORNIA
September 2, 2026
MINUTES

The Special Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission convened for its meeting on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, at 5:33 pm, Campbell Park, 638 E. Campbell Avenue.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Frederick, Lee, Loffer, Malone, Teeter
ABSENT: Brenner, Sastri
STAFF: Recreation Services Manager Lauren Merriman, Public Works Superintendent Ron Taormina, Recording Secretary Rebekah Rodriguez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MSC: Loffer/Malone to approve the special meeting minutes of August 5, 2026.
AYES: Frederick, Lee, Loffer, Malone, Teeter
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

Presentations:
NONE

Oral Requests:
NONE

Unfinished Business:
NONE

New Business:

A. Community Events

Recreation Services Manager Lauren Merriman presented a staff report dated September 2, 2026, that was included on the agenda with all the upcoming events for September.

B. Meeting at Campbell Park then walking to the Pruneyard Trail Tour

The walk to the Pruneyard Trail tour occurred after going through the agenda.

Staff Reports:

A. Parks – Ron Taormina, Public Works Superintendent

- Update on the John D Morgan Budd Ave restroom improvement project. The improvements will be done in two phases; the first phase will entail the installation of the parking lot improvements and pedestrian pathway adjacent to the existing ADA parking spaces; second phase will begin the week October 12 and will focus on the demolition of the existing restroom facility, the installation of the new restroom building and improving the surrounding pedestrian pathway to be ADA compliant. The project is anticipated to be completed by February 2027.

- Rincon Avenue Playground refresh project will replace the spring-rider with an inclusive see-saw and install two shaded play panel structures. The project also includes repairing the pour-in-place material in areas that are damaged and need to be restored.

B. Recreation and Community Services Director – Natasha Bissell

- The next community meeting regarding the pool project will be on Monday, September 21 so get the word out to others.
- Spread the word to promote Groovin' in the Garden fundraiser at the Ainsley House to others in the community.

Good of the Game

Commissioner Loffer and Lee got together as part of the multimodal transportation ad hoc committee and shared some suggestions they came up with the rest of the commission. There was some discussion but it was decided that it will be agendized for the October meeting.

Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 6:07 pm and the walk to the Pruneyard Trail tour commenced.

Respectfully submitted:



Rebekah Rodriguez, Recording Secretary

MEMORANDUM

City of Campbell
Recreation & Community Services

To: Parks and Recreation Commission **Date:** October 7, 2026

From: Natasha Bissell, Recreation & Community Services Director

Subject: **Community Events**

Below is a list of upcoming community events hosted by Campbell Recreation & Community Services as well as other community organizations.

Event	Date	Time	Location	Hosted By
Peninsula Symphony Orchestra: John Williams' World **$42-$52**	Friday, October 2nd	7:30pm	Heritage Theatre	Peninsula Symphony
Make 'N Mingle: Pumpkin Decoupage At The Carriage House **SOLD OUT**	Sunday, October 4th	2pm-4pm	Carriage House	Campbell Historical Museum and Ainsley House
Friends of Campbell Library Second Saturday Book Sale	Saturday, October 10th	10am-1pm	Campbell Library	Friends of Campbell Library
Pour for Paws SVACA Fundraiser **$160** **www.svaca.com/rsvp**	Saturday, October 11th	6pm	Villa Ragusa	Friends of SVACA
History Happy Hour: Campbell During Wartime with David Blinn **$25**	Friday, October 16th	5:30-7:30pm	Carriage House	Campbell Historical Museum and Ainsley House
Oktoberfest Fun Run	Saturday, October 17th	9am	Campbell Park	Recreation & Community Services
Oktoberfest Festival	Saturday & Sunday, October 17th & 18th	Sat: 10am-6pm Sun: 10am-5pm	Downtown Campbell	Campbell Chamber of Commerce
Creepy Crawly Halloween Trick-or-Treat	Sunday, October 25th	4pm-6pm	Downtown Campbell	Downtown Campbell Business Association

San Jose Taiko presents Rhythm Spirit 2025 **$30-$44**	Saturday, October 18th	2pm and 7pm	Heritage Theatre	San Jose Taiko
Kids' Night at the CCC (Ages 4-12) **$36**	Friday, October 24th	6pm-9:3pm	Community Center Rm. M-49	Recreation & Community Services
Creepy Crawly Halloween Trick-or-Treat	Sunday, October 26th	4pm-6pm	Downtown Campbell	Downtown Campbell Business Association
Pumpkin Carving Contest **Free – drop off finished pumpkins**	Wednesday, October 29th	8am-5pm	Community Center Rm C-31	Parks and Recreation Commission

Report of the Parks and Recreation Commission's Multimodal Ad Hoc Subcommittee

This report addresses the intersection of the city's forthcoming Multimodal Transportation Plan (MTP) with Campbell's parks and recreation facilities and includes recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Commission's Multimodal Ad Hoc Subcommittee. The purpose of the report is to:

- Emphasize the value and importance of giving special consideration to city parks and recreation facilities in the MTP.
- Identify issues of safety and accessibility faced by pedestrians and bicyclists using city parks and recreation facilities.
- Suggest lower-cost/lower-effort solutions to issues of safety and accessibility as well as envision larger-scale projects for the future.

Goals and Priorities

One goal of the MTP is to improve pedestrian and bicycle travel within the city. Our parks and recreation facilities are an important resource for people on foot — to walk, jog, and run— and people on wheels—on bikes, scooters, and skates.

One recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan (PRMP) is to "Improve walking and biking opportunities throughout Campbell," including to "[m]ake improvements to park access and entry points for pedestrians and bicyclists" (p. 68).

Park and recreation usage relies on safe and accessible approaches to and passage through parks (AARP bulletin, Creating Parks and Public Spaces, 2022). When our streets, sidewalks, and walkways are safe and accessible for our most vulnerable—children, older adults, and people with disabilities, they are safe for all residents.

Assessments

It is highly recommended that the MTP include an evaluation of the safety and accessibility of park approaches and walkways by conducting Bike Audits and Walk Audits. (AARP has created Audit Tool Kits and

Worksheets that include the needs of all residents.) Begin with the largest and highest usage parks — the Community Center, Campbell Park, and John D. Morgan Park.

Safety and Accessibility Issues

The following are issues of safety and accessibility noted by the subcommittee members. Included are suggestions of possible solutions that are lower cost and lower effort. These highlights are just a snapshot of potential improvements. A full audit will provide a complete picture of the changes needed.

A. Visibility:

1. Sight Lines — Shrubbery/trees may block sight lines for both pedestrians/bicyclists and vehicles approaching intersections. An example is the northwest corner of Winchester Blvd./ Campbell Ave. intersection (approaching the Community Center).

2. Lighting — Pedestrian-scaled lighting improves visibility of pedestrians entering crosswalks and walking to/from nighttime events at parks. Examples are the sidewalks and walkways approaching the Community Center.

3. Crosswalk painting needs to be bright and visible in low light to alert drivers to yield to pedestrians and to identify safe crossing areas for pedestrians. There might be artistic crosswalks with a park or city theme at each of the park approaches.

B. Conflict points with vehicles:

1. Diagonal Crossings at major intersections stop all vehicle traffic and create a dedicated phase for pedestrian crossings in all directions. An example is the intersection of Winchester Blvd. and Campbell Ave. (approaching the Community Center).

2. Signal Timing can be adjusted to a) allow pedestrians to begin crossing ahead of vehicle traffic; and b) provide sufficient time for crossing by people with mobility limitations. Examples are

the intersection at Budd Ave. and San Tomas Exp. (approaching John D. Morgan Park) and the intersection of Winchester Blvd. and Campbell Ave. (approaching the Community Center).

C. Vehicle Speed: Lower speed limits along the approaches to and roads surrounding parks can increase safety for pedestrians and bicyclists in the same way as school zone speed limits.

D. Facilities and Information:

1. Shaded Seating for pedestrians along approaches to parks make a walk to the park more accessible for older adults and families with young children.

2. Bike Parking facilities that are convenient and reliable, increase the use of bicycles for travelling to parks.

3. Bicycle Fix-It Stations can improve bicycle travel to parks and other public spaces. Possible locations are the Community Center, Campbell Park, and the Campbell Library.

4. Educational Materials about bicycle and pedestrian safety can be included at park kiosks.

5. Park Connectivity Maps can show how to walk or bike from park to park.

E. Signage:

1. Park Signage that is highly visible and easily identifies each park alerts drivers to be more cautious in areas with high pedestrian and bicycle traffic. Signage might be themed to represent each park or to represent the city.

2. Safety Signage — speed limits, crosswalks, park zones — surrounding park approaches are needed to alert drivers to be more aware of pedestrians and bicyclists.

F. Internal Park Walkways: There is frequent conflict between those on foot and those on wheels on our park walkways, especially in

John D. Morgan Park and Campbell Park/Los Gatos Creek Trail. Solutions might include separate lanes of travel, speed limits, and education programs (for example, for e-bike users).

Recreation Travel Zones

If we look to the future of increased pedestrian and bicycle travel in Campbell, one possibility for improving safety, accessibility, and usage is to connect our parks through Recreation Travel Zones. Using a Complete Streets* approach, connected bike paths and walkways can span the travel between parks. A natural area for this type of project is to connect the Community Center with Campbell Park as well as the Ainsley House and Campbell Library. This would also improve travel through downtown Campbell.

The Parks and Recreation Master Plan states that “Multimodal trails and more connections to parks are a priority for the community. Cross-department collaboration is integral to successfully meeting community needs” (p. 68). We hope this report is a step toward responding to this priority of the community.

We look forward to collaborating with the Community Development Department and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee to plan for these concerns and implement these recommendations.

PRC Multimodal Ad Hoc Subcommittee
Tina Lee, Commission Chair
Shirley Loffer

September 2026

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* A Complete Street “is designed for all roadway users, whether they’re driving, riding, walking, bicycling or rolling (e.g., pushing a baby stroller, using a wheelchair)” (AARP Walk Audit Tool Kit, p. 12).