

**CITY OF CAMPBELL
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
CAMPBELL, CALIFORNIA
April 5, 2023
MINUTES**

The Parks and Recreation Commission convened for its regular meeting on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at 7:00 pm, Council Chambers.

This Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was conducted pursuant to provisions of the Brown Act. Pursuant to Government Code § 54953 (f)(2) Chair Mitchell stated that Commissioner Lee had requested to participate remotely as the result of a contagious illness.

Commissioner Lee disclosed publicly that there were no individuals 18 years or older present in the room.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Beitz, Doherty, Mitchell, Teeter, Lee (Remote)
ABSENT: Fidrych, Ishibashi
STAFF: Senior Services Supervisor Tina Wong-Erling, Public Works Director Todd Capurso,
Recording Secretary Rebekah Rodriguez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MSC: Doherty/Teeter to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission of March 1, 2023.

AYES: Beitz, Doherty, Mitchell, Teeter, Lee

ABSTAIN: None

NOES: None

Presentations:

NONE.

Oral Requests:

NONE.

Unfinished Business:

NONE.

New Business:

A. Review Proposed Parks CIP

Public Works Director Todd Capurso presented a review to the Commission on the proposed Parks Capital Improvement Program for the five-year period from FY24 through FY28. He spoke about the different funds for the improvements at the City's parks and recreational facilities.

Commissioner Mitchell mentioned it would be nice to see funds for the skate park improvements. Commissioner Doherty also mentioned the skate park as it is used a lot. Commissioner Teeter asked

if the skate park is used more by the younger population, and it was answered it is used frequently from 10- to 14-year-olds for sure. It was asked if the pool was on the list, but it is not on the list as it is a much larger project that requires a lot of money. Commissioner Lee asked if a survey has gone out to the community to see what they think needs to be updated; it was answered that it has not happened and that it would be a good idea, but anytime there are any improvements at a park, staff has gone to the parks and talked to the park goers what they would like to see improved but it would be a good idea to send out a survey.

Committee Reports:

A. Parks and Creek Trail

Commissioner Teeter goes to her usual park which is Campbell Park, and the trail is heavily used and there are dogs and walkers. Commissioner Mitchell commented that there were many people at the parks and heavily used. Commissioner Lee took her toddler to John D. Morgan Park and there were a lot of people there.

B. Trees

No reports.

C. Special Events

The Bunnies and Bonnets parade will be on Saturday, April 8 and they will meet in the parking lot of Water Tower Kitchen. The parade starts at noon.

Staff Reports:

A. Parks –Parks Supervisor Bob Siudzinski

- Recently, the region has experienced unusually high winds and rain. This has resulted in tree failure throughout Campbell. During the weather event, all Public Works Maintenance Division employees and management spent time clearing roadways of debris and removing hazard trees, as well as barricading off unsafe areas both on private and public areas.
- Gardenland hosted a Gas to Electric (equipment) jamboree at John D. Morgan Park where vendors demonstrated their products.
- A Cub Scout Pack tree planting and tree mulching event is planned for April 13 in the evening at John D Morgan. The intention is to teach kids about the environment and improve our shade canopy for picnic area #4.
- Reminder that Arbor Day will be celebrated at John D Morgan Park in the Rincon Ave back parking lot on Friday, April 28, 2023. Da Vinci Academy and Friends of Children with Special Needs will be participating in planting 14 replacement trees along the San Tomas Expressway sound wall.
- The volunteer picnic table painting event is on schedule for Sunday, April 16, 2023, at John D. Morgan Park. All park tables will be painted and identified by number, using a stencil and spray can.
- The Keep America Beautiful event is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2023, on the Budd Avenue side of John D. Morgan Park. Volunteers will be planting drought tolerant Ceanothus as well as mulching of the slope on the corner of Budd Ave and San Tomas Expressway.

B. Recreation & Community Services –Senior Services Supervisor Tina Wong-Erling

- The Recreation and Community Services Department is excited to welcome two new Recreation Coordinators. Kayla Nakamoto was hired in March to oversee classes and programs at the Adult Center Division and Gracey Ferrel was also hired in March to oversee youth, teens, and fitness.
- The Bunnies and Bonnets parade will be on Saturday, April 8. Please meet Natasha on Orchard City Drive near the Water Tower Kitchen area. Natasha will be there with the Yerkovich truck and will drive the truck in the parade.
- The Heritage Theatre will have the last season show on Thursday, April 27th. Featuring Taylr Dayne and Sheena Easton. Tickets are still available at www.heritagetheatre.org.
- The Campbell Historical Museum is now reopened to the public and available for tours Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 11 am to 3 pm.
- School fieldtrips have also returned with over 30 classes visiting the Museum over the next two months.
- There are some new exhibits on display at the Museum.
- The Ainsley House Spring Garden Concert Series – Ren Geisick was scheduled on March 19 but was postponed to June 18 due to soggy turf. The first show will now be Chris Cain on Sunday, April 23, 2023, and tickets can be purchased at www.campbellmuseums.com.
- Our Summer Early Bird Registration for Camps and swim lessons went well as did our open house event held on Saturday, March 4. A lot of families and children participated despite the rain and staff provided a lot of swim assessments to help parents in determining their child's skill level.
- Our Summer Activity Guide will be going out to all Campbell Residents in the next few weeks and Summer registration for all other classes will begin on May 2 for residents and open to all on May 3.
- Parks will be hosting a volunteer day on Sunday, April 16, that will include repainting all the picnic tables at John D. Morgan Park. If you would like to participate, please contact Natasha.

Good of the Game

Commissioner Doherty is happy spring is here and no more rain to speak of.

Commissioner Mitchell did a run on the trail from Campbell to Los Gatos and was beautiful.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2023.

Respectfully submitted:

Rebekah Rodriguez

Rebekah Rodriguez, Recording Secretary