

MINUTES  
CITY OF OXNARD  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
City Council Chambers  
305 W. Third Street  
Regular Meeting  
March 22, 2006  
5:30 p.m.

**A. ROLL CALL**

At 5:35 p.m. the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission convened in the City of Oxnard Council Chambers, 305 W. Third Street. Chairman Postel called the meeting to order. Commissioners, Barber, Bowman, Cobb, Garcia, Guerrero and Lemos were present. Staff members present were: Recreation Superintendent, Gil Ramirez, Recreation Supervisor, Richard Arias, Recreation Coordinator, Gregory Barnes and Recording Secretary, Martha M. Nateras, Facilities Superintendent, Michael Henderson was absent.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**SUBJECT:** Approval of minutes from the January 25, 2006 meeting.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Approval.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes, Commissioner Lemos seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR**

**SUBJECT:** None.

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**SUBJECT: Update on The Courts 31-1 Project at Rose Ave. on the East, First Street on the South, Marquita on the West and Del Sol Park on North.** Mr. Larry White, Management Analyst III from the Housing Authority gave a power point presentation on the project. Mr. White informed the Commission that 260 public housing duplex low-income units will be replaced. In order to pay for the new units the Housing Authority is going to sell 100 detached and 65 attached for sale units. Besides the replacement of the 260 units they also going to built 80 affordable rental apartments. The tenants will be move one time only. Phase I is going to replace 117 units in that area some of the units are going to be for sale to help contribute to support of the project. Phase II will be the replacement of the remaining affordable housing and the remaining units that are going to be for sale. Phase III will be to accommodate the 65 town homes, the 80 units of apartments and land exchange for the soccer field. There will be two soccer fields, which will have 77 additional parking spaces. The total project cost to develop all the elements is going to be approximately \$130,000 million dollars. First priority on the sale of the units will be given to the tenants and the residents in the neighborhood. They are hoping to start construction on March 2007. After a few questions from the Commission Mr. White was excused.

**SUBJECT:** Report of the Recreation Superintendent. Mr. Gil Ramirez, Recreation Superintendent introduced Mr. Efren Gorre, City Corps Manager. Mr. Gorre gave an update on many City Corps project. In ten years City Corps has accomplished 11,000

projects across the city and the county. City Corps is always looking for challenging projects. Some of the major projects are: the Ormond Beach wetlands, the storm drain keeper, the traffic signage replacement in downtown, the neighborhood clean up, and the maintenance of the bus stop benches. Mr. Gorre introduced to the Commission a new one-page magazine on City Corps and its activities. After a few questions from the Commission, Mr. Gorre was excused.

Mr. Ramirez introduced Mr. Terrel Harrison, Police Activity League (PAL) Director. Mr. Harrison made a presentation on the PAL vs. England Boxing Event. PAL won the Golden Cup. Mr. Harrison also informed the Commission that they had a new project called Hip-Hop Workshop. Hip-Hop is a class that teaches kids how to rap, how to hip hop dance or spoken word, which is a form of poetry. Mr. Kingsley Garrick teaches the classes, which have been very successful. Mr. Harrison informed the Commission that the City of Oxnard's PAL has been chosen to host the National PAL Boxing Tournament. Last year PAL hosted the National Boxing Tournament. After a few questions from the Commission Mr. Harrison was excused.

Mr. Ramirez introduced Mr. Richard Arias, Recreation Supervisor who inform the Commission on the Day at the Park and the Mobile Activity Center. Mr. Arias informed the Commission on the different parks the Mobil Activity Center is available for activities. Also the Day at the Park will start is for the special needs population they will meet every third Saturday of the Month at Oxnard Beach Park. Mr. Arias introduced the new Recreation Leader III, Mr. Ryle Lynch-Cole. Mr. Lynch-Cole updated the Commission on 58<sup>th</sup> Rotary Tournament. The Commission thanked The Rotary Club for supporting the City of Oxnard Recreation Department for the past 58<sup>th</sup> years.

Mr. Ramirez introduced Mr. Greg Barnes, Recreation Coordinator. Mr. Barnes informed the Commission that March is Red Cross Month. Mr. Barnes is a certified trainer on First Aid and in CPR. The City of Oxnard would like to thank the Red Cross for all their support to the community. After a few questions from the Commission Mr. Barnes was excused.

Mr. Ramirez informed the Commission on the Strawberry Triathlon. It will be held on March 26, 2006 in Mandalay Beach.

**F. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Chairman Postel informed the Commission that she and Commissioner Bowman attended a celebration on Arbor Day. The celebration took place in Eastwood Park. They planted four trees. There were over 200 kids in the park.

Commissioner Barber informed Mr. Ramirez that the basketball rims and nets needed to be replaced in College Estates Park. Mr. Ramirez will inform the Parks Department. Also, Commissioner Barber congratulated the Oxnard Martial Arts Team. The team will compete on July 2-6, 2006 in World Kelly Eskrima Championships in Orlando, Florida.

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m. Next regular meeting will be on April 26, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

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Leana Bowman, Secretary