



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, April 15, 2015

**CITY HALL KIVA FORUM
3939 N. DRINKWATER BLVD
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251**

PRESENT: Harry Schlegelmilch, Chair
Virginia Harris, Vice Chair
Anne Wurth, Commissioner
Sherry Woodley, Commissioner
Todd Davis, Commissioner
David Brown, Commissioner
Michael Bouscher, Commissioner (arrived at 5:02 p.m.)

STAFF: Jan Cameron, Parks and Recreation Director
Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager
Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager
Reed Prior, Parks and Recreation Manager
Brett Jackson, Parks and Recreation Manager
Mike Russerio, IT

GUESTS: Laura Thelen
Steve Olsen

Call to order

Chair Schlegelmilch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present as noted above.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

Moment of Silence

Commission members observed a moment of silence.

1. **Approval of the Minutes**
 - a. **Regular Meeting: April 1, 2015**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 1, 2015 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. COMMISSIONER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).

2. Scottsdale Memorial for the Fallen Project

Laura Thelen, Senior Landscape Architect from the LVA Urban Design Studio, presented information regarding the Scottsdale Memorial for the Fallen Project (SMFTF), which is a project intended to memorialize citizens of Scottsdale who have lost their lives while serving our country in any branch of the Armed Forces. Her presentation included an artist's rendering depicting the conceptual design of the memorial, which will be located on the grounds of City Hall. The design are inspired by the architecture seen in Civic Center Mall and City Hall. SMFTF is in the process of acquiring 501(c)(3) status so that donations toward the projects can be received. The dedication is planned for Memorial Day 2016.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Ms. Thelan said that there will be space for up to 100 names. Discussion ensued regarding the background of the grass-roots project, names that will be included on the memorial, the site selection process, and the design.

Ms. Thelen noted that contributions can be made to P.O. Box 28308, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255.

3. AT&T Antennas at Scottsdale Stadium

Steve Olsen from AT&T gave a presentation discussing the antenna and light pole replacement on the west concourse of the Scottsdale Stadium. He explained that the new pole will be the same height as the one currently in place but will be stronger to handle the new antennas, which will be stacked in order to minimize the visual impact. The project will be completed in the window of November 23, 2015 and December 23, 2015 during the time that overseeding is being done and the fields are unusable.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Mr. Olsen noted that once approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission, notification will go out to residents and businesses within 750 feet of the installation.

COMMISSIONER BROWN MOVED TO APPROVE THE CHANGING OF THE ANTENNAS AND LIGHT POLE REPLACEMENT ON THE WEST CONCOURSE OF THE SCOTTSDALE STADIUM. VICE-CHAIR HARRIS SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).

4. Upcoming Projects and Summer Concerts at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park

Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager, discussed needed maintenance to the historic Pullman Car, the Birthday Car, and efficiencies in Hartley's General Store. She noted that the Presidential Car is in need of window replacement and millwork that will be funded by the Mechanical Society at an approximate cost of \$21,789; the Birthday Car requires painting that will be sponsored by the Mechanical Society at a cost of approximately \$8,113; and Hartley's General Store needs new air conditioning and windows at a cost to the City of approximately \$50,000. She explained that staff is working towards obtaining the right permits to allow the Executive Car to be used exclusively for special events.

Ms. Peters announced that the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park Concert Series is scheduled to run every Sunday from May 3rd through July 5th.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Ms. Peters said that McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park's 40th anniversary will likely be celebrated in October during Rail Fair. She noted that donation boxes are set up at the park where citizens are welcome to donate to the Mechanical Society.

Ms. Cameron explained that state law currently allows for beer permits to be issued in City-owned parks, but does not allow for the issuing of wine and liquor permits. Caterers who are hired for service by a citizen who is using park areas are allowed to provide alcohol under their liquor permits.

5. Recognition of Commissioner Brown's Years of Service

Jan Cameron, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed Commissioner Brown's background and accomplishments during his time on the Commission and thanked him for his three years of service.

Commissioner Brown thanked the Commission and the City for the opportunity, noting that his students at Scottsdale Community College have benefited from his experiences on the Commission.

6. Commissioner's Report

Vice-Chair Harris said that she visited the Adapted Recreation sensory room open house. She suggested that the Commission officially recognize Scottsdale Leadership for their contribution to the project

Commissioner Davis visited the sensory room open house. He thanked Scottsdale Leadership for helping to make the experience possible. He noted that he attended the Scottsdale Culinary Festival.

Commissioner Woodley complimented the efficiency of the City's Nextdoor computer application.

Commissioner Brown reported on the March Path's & Trails Subcommittee meeting. As part of his presentation he discussed the Tour de Scottsdale biking event, the

myScottsdale mobile app, bicycle programs available in the city of Scottsdale, the League of American Bicyclists Program, and the new bicycle signals.

7. Director's Report of Current Events

Jan Cameron, Parks and Recreation Director, introduced Kira Peters as the newest Parks and Recreation Manager. She said that the Parks and Recreation department is undergoing some new structuring and it is yet to be determined how program areas will be divided.

Ms. Cameron reported that on Easter Sunday every reservable area in the parks system was reserved. Parks and Recreation and maintenance worked together to ensure everyone had a pleasant experience. Staff focused on encouraging people to engage in positive interactions and to use the trash and recycling receptacles.

The Scottsdale Stadium has converted the fields for the Rugby event scheduled for the 18th and will convert the fields to accommodate the soccer season next week.

Registration for Youth Corps summer program is open to volunteers ages 13 to 17. Those who are interested can call Jessica Latham at (480)312-8376 or register at youthcorps@scottsdaleaz through the end of April. Opportunities are available in Scottsdale offices, recreation centers, youth and teen summer programs and senior centers.

April Pools Day is scheduled for Sunday, April 26th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Summer program registration begins on May 4th at 7:00 a.m.

The Youth Track program designed for students seven to 14 years old began practice this week. The guest coach for the week is 1967 Pan American Games gold medalist Chase Bryant. The program hosts two track meets: a practice meet at Saguro High School on Friday, April 26 at 6:00 p.m. and the All City Track Meet on Friday, May 1st.

Arbor Day will be celebrated on April 17th at the Granite Reef Senior Center. Scottsdale was recognized as a 2014 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation for its commitment to effective urban forest management for the 33rd consecutive year, which is the most of any community in the state of Arizona. Scottsdale also received a Tree city U.S.A. Growth Award for demonstrating environmental improvement and higher level tree care for the 23rd consecutive year, which is the most of any Arizona community.

The Mercedes-Benz of Scottsdale Rugby Bowl Beauty and the Beast is scheduled for Saturday, April 18th. Four college teams and a high school champion will compete. Information is available at www.rugbybowl.com.

The first home game for the Arizona United Soccer Club will be hosted at Scottsdale Stadium on April 25th. Information is available on the Scottsdale Stadium website and www.arizonaunited.com.

Four public meetings will be held to present the draft Community Services Master Plan draft report during the month of April, beginning on Wednesday, April 22nd at the Library

Board meeting, the Boys and Girls Club Thunderbird Branch at Thompson Peak Park at 5:30 p.m., Monday, April 27th at Granite Reef Senior Center, and during the joint Human Services and Parks and Recreation Commission meetings on Wednesday, April 29th.

Date Night at the Stadium is scheduled on Friday, May 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.. The event is free admission to those 21 and over.

The next regularly scheduled Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for May 6th at Eldorado Recreation Center.

8. Public Comment

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

9. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, and no need for an executive session, the regular meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
A/V Tronics, Inc. DBA AVTranz