



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, February 17, 2016**

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

**PRESENT:** Virginia Harris, Chair  
Todd Davis, Vice Chair  
Anne Wurth, Commissioner  
Sherry Woodley, Commissioner  
Michael Bouscher, Commissioner (arrived at 5:02 p.m.)  
Ron Chambless, Commissioner  
Chris Thuman, Commissioner

**STAFF:** Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Director  
Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Brett Jackson, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Jody Pierce, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Denise Clayton, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Chris Walsh, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Christopher Perkins, Senior Project Manager  
Jeff Cesaretti, Stadium Supervisor  
Kelli Kurtz, Recreation Supervisor

**Call to order**

Chair Harris 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: January 20, 2016

**COMMISSIONER WOODLEY MOVED TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 20, 2016 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. VICE-CHAIR DAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).**

- b. Work Study Meeting: February 3, 2016

Chair Harris noted that the beginning of paragraph four should read "establishing a foundation" instead of "sponsorships."

**COMMISSIONER CHAMBLESS MOVED TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 3, 2016 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION WORK STUDY MEETING MINUTES. COMMISSIONER WURTH SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).**

### **2. Indian School Lake Rehabilitation - Project Status Update**

Christopher Perkins, Senior Project Manager, gave an update on the status of the design and construction for the Indian School Lake rehabilitation. The project will include replacement of the clay liner with a Firestone flexible propylene liner; edge reshaping; a new hard-edge and recovery shelf; a new aeration system; new irrigation pump; and landscape improvements. Cost of construction is approximately \$1.9 million and is being funded through the capital projects program. Council is expected to approve the construction contract on February 23.

The next public open house is scheduled for March 16. Construction is scheduled to begin on April 4, 2016 and be completed by September 15, 2016. The project will be phased in order to minimize impacts to pedestrians and cyclists.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Mr. Perkins noted that depending on weather circumstances, the lake should last at least 20 years. The new liner comes with a 30-year warranty.

### **3. CDBG Playground Renovations - Project Status Update**

Christopher Perkins, Senior Project Manager, gave an update on the status of the design and construction for the CDBG playground rehabilitation. Papago Rotary Park and Paiute Park were awarded funding for new playground equipment through CDBG grants. Paiute Park is expected to cost \$84,000 and Papago Rotary Park is expected to cost \$99,000. Construction is expected to be completed no later than the end of April.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Mr. Pryor noted that no recycled tires are used at any playgrounds in Scottsdale. Mr. Jackson said that typically playground equipment has a 20 to 25 year lifespan.

#### **4. Spring Training 2016 Preview**

Jeff Cesaretti, Stadium Supervisor, gave a presentation outlining the upcoming 2016 Spring Training schedule, game day events, and Stadium offseason construction projects. Projects include installation of a new score board; kitchen remodel; new MLB field logos; and installation of pace of game clocks. Mr. Cesaretti reviewed the Spring Training schedule and noted that staff recently had a tarp pull safety demonstration, so they are prepared for any El Nino occurrences.

Mr. Pryor explained that as part of the contract with the Giants, the expenses incurred by the City of Scottsdale are reimbursed at the end of each Spring Training season.

#### **5. Implementation of fee for the Horizon Teen Program in the 16/17 School Year**

Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager, and Kelli Kurtz, Recreation Supervisor, gave a presentation outlining the development and implementation of a fee for the Horizon Afterschool Teen Programming in the upcoming 2016/17 school year. Ms. Kurtz gave an overview of the Horizon Teen Program, which serves students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Ms. Peters discussed the various teen programs which are offered at Horizon Community Center, ANLC, Adapted Recreation Teen Connection, and Supai Middle School. She explained that currently the school year programs are offered at Supai, ANLC and Adapted Recreation at no charge and summer programs are 100% cost recovery. Staff is proposing a fee implementation of \$30 per month at Horizon for the 2016/17 school year, which would be approximately a 31% cost recovery. The goal is to achieve a 50% cost recovery within the next two years.

Commission members were given an opportunity to make comments and ask questions. Ms. Peters said that on a yearly basis there are approximately 150 teens participating in the teen programs citywide and there is a waiting list.

Commissioner Chambless talked about structuring fees, noting that proper movement of fees is tied to quality, advocacy, support, and value and that fees should be progressed accordingly. He opined that teen services offer an opportunity to attract third party funders.

Ms. Kurtz said that participants are exposed to sports, art, and music in order to promote socialization and appropriate responses in a group setting.

**COMMISSIONER THUMAN MOVED TO APPROVE IMPLEMENTATION OF A \$30 PER MONTH FEE AT HORIZON FOR THE 2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR. COMMISSIONER CHAMBLESS SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).**

#### **6. Spring Programming**

Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager, and Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager, gave an overview of programs being offered for Spring through Parks and

Recreation. The presentation included information on pickleball and challenges with court resurfacing; tennis, spring break camps; lifeguard and swimming instructor trainings; and swimming lessons. The Spring Training Festival is scheduled for March 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Civic Center Mall. The Leisure Education and Facility Booking office will be closed February 22 through 28 while the ActiveNet system is installed.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Brief discussion ensued regarding Spring programming registration, lifeguard training, pickleball, Spring break camps, and sports camps.

#### **7. Grant from Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority**

Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager, requested that the Commission make a recommendation that the Scottsdale City Council accept the grant for \$27,000 from Arizona Tourism and Sports Authority (AZSTA), to the Scottsdale Aquatic Club in conjunction with the City of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Department Aquatics Program, for thermal tarps at Chaparral Pool. The total cost of the project is approximately \$57,000 and the remaining portion will be paid by the City of Scottsdale out of the sponsored teams fund.

**COMMISSIONER WOODLEY MOVED TO APPROVE A RECOMMENDATION THAT CITY COUNCIL ACCEPT THE GRANT FOR \$27,000 FROM ARIZONA SPORTS AND TOURISM AUTHORITY FOR THE SCOTTSDALE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AQUATICS PROGRAM TO PURCHASE THERMAL TARPS FOR CHAPARRAL POOL. COMMISSIONER THUMAN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).**

#### **8. Fees and Charges Update**

Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Director, reviewed the proposed fees and charges for FY 2016/17.

**COMMISSIONER THUMAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED FEES AND CHARGES FOR FY2016/17. COMMISSIONER WOODLEY SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).**

#### **9. Commissioner Report**

Commissioner Davis noted that he participated in the Parada del Sol and attended Paws in the Park. He expressed support for the Please Pick Up Poop campaign.

Chair Harris noted that she attended Paws in the Park. She commented that the purpose of the Parks and Recreation Commission's work study session was to explore initiatives and find better ways to support staff's efforts as well as to discuss sponsorships and marketing opportunities.

#### **10. Director's Report of Current Events**

Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Director, gave an update on events and activities of the Parks and Recreation Department. He noted that McDowell Mountain Ranch has

installed Wi-Fi for public use and will be hosting a lifeguard assessment on February 20. The Starguard lifeguard course will be offered at MMR from February 29 through March 14. The Swim instructor course will be offered from March 7 - 11. Cactus Aquatics Center will host a Scottsdale Aquatic Club meet on February 19 - 21.

Mr. Pryor commended the special events staff for their efforts in coordinating the Paws in the Park event, which had more than 500 attendees.

The Afterschool program recently hosted a pinball tournament for Supai and ANLC and four teens participated in the competition.

The Mall area received low water landscaping enhancements thanks to the efforts of Mall staff.

McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park hosted a Presidents' Day event which included a "Abraham Lincoln" presentation of the Gettysburg Address in front of the Roald Amundsen Pullman car.

Family Fun Night at Grayhawk Park is scheduled for Saturday, February 20 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Science of the City will be held at Civic Center Mall on Saturday, February 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Highlights will include the science and technology behind the City's pools, fountains, and the irrigation central control system.

Mr. Pryor noted that he is available to answer questions about the quarterly report.

#### **11. Public Comment**

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

#### **12. Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, and no need for an executive session, the regular meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

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