

**MINUTES OF THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF STANTON
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The members of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission of the City of Stanton met in regular session in the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m., Chairperson Warren presiding.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Dewayne Normand.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Warren, Vice Chair Himes, Commissioner Berlin, Commissioner Grand, Commissioner Henry and Commissioner Heitman.

Also present: Community Services Manager, Zenia Bobadilla.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of February 25, 2019 Minutes.

MOTION: Vice Chair Himes.

SECOND: Chair Warren.

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Grand.

Approval of April 15, 2019 Minutes.

MOTION: Vice Chair Himes.

SECOND: Commissioner Berlin.

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Grand.

5. MANAGER'S REPORT

5A. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- **FACILITY UPDATES**

Community Services Manager, Zenia Bobadilla updated the commission of facility updates. At Premier Park there was a safety issue with the merry go round playground equipment so it has been removed by Public Works. The City is

exploring purchasing some more playground equipment with park in lieu fees or through the Prop 68 grant.

- **18th ANNUAL CAR SHOW & KIDS FAIR**

In partnership with the Stanton Community Foundation, the 18th Annual Car Show was held on Saturday, May 11th. There were over 85 cars registered and 20 vendors selling a variety of items. The money raised by the Foundation will be used to support the SOS grant program, Threads 4 Kids and senior activities.

- **SENIOR RESOURCE EXPO**

The Senior Resource Expo will be held on Tuesday, May 21st from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the Stanton Family Resource Center. There will be a variety of health screenings and information resources for seniors. This event is free to all seniors 55 and older.

- **SUMMER KICK-OFF**

On Saturday, May 25th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. the City will host its annual Summer Kick Off event at Stanton Central Park. There will be music, food vendors and community groups sharing resources. This event helps to promote the opening of the splash pads at both Stanton Central Park and Harry M. Dotson.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7A. DISCUSSION REGARDING DECORATING UTILITY BOXES THROUGHOUT THE CITY

Community Services Manager, Zenia Bobadilla introduced Community Services Coordinator, Kelsey Ransom who will be detailing some options for utility boxes throughout the city.

On Monday, February 25, 2019 the Parks and Recreation Commission discussed and addressed a potential program to begin decorating utility boxes throughout the city. Research was conducted regarding the potential cost to start and maintain the program. The cities of Davis, Glendale, Downey and Redondo Beach have established funding by creating a Public Art Fund. The funds are collected from 1 percent of the project value for new buildings valued at \$500,000 or more, not including industrial or residential zones or projects financed through public funds. The artwork was also mainly allowed on city owned projects financed through public funds. The City currently owns 26 utility boxes. Any artwork to be done on a public utility company's box requires a contract and approval between the city, artist, and utility company.

Discussion followed

A motion was made to recommend to City Council for implementation.

MOTION: Chair Warren

SECOND: Commissioner Berlin

Motion unanimously carried.

7B. DISCUSSION REGARDING LOVE OUR CITIES/STANTON CLEAN UP DAY

Community Services Manager, Zenia Bobadilla introduced Community Services Coordinator, Dianna Valtierra to discuss a Community Service Day / Love Our City concept.

On Monday, February 25, 2019, the Parks and Recreation Commission discussed adding a service-based program like Love Our Cities or a similar model in Stanton. The information was collected including a cost analysis if the City were to adopt the Love Our Cities model or create an independent program that still focused on service to the community. There are currently 11 Orange County cities involved in the program. The faith based group that partners with these Cities is OC United. They describe their program as a movement to improve cities such as Anaheim, Brea, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Fullerton, La Habra, La Mirada, Orange, Placentia, Tustin and Yorba Linda with the help of thousands of volunteers from churches, schools, city government, local businesses, organizations and other community groups. The minimum cost to join the Love Our Cities program would be \$750 in addition to staff time to coordinate with the partner agency.

Discussion followed

Chair Warren made a motion to approve and recommend to City Council.

MOTION: Chair Warren

SECOND: Commissioner Grand

Motion unanimously carried.

9. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Himes kindly requested for Public Works to tidy up Veterans Memorial Park before the upcoming Memorial Day holiday. Chair Warren commented on the possibility of changing the day or time that the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission meet.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commission adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

s/ Zenia Bobadilla, Community Services Manager
