

**MINUTES OF THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF STANTON
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission of the City of Stanton was called to order at 5:30 p.m. via teleconference, Chair Warren presiding.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Community Services Director, Zenia Bobadilla

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Warren, Vice Chair Berlin, Commissioner Himes, Commissioner Normand and Commissioner Phan.

Excused: None.

Also present: Community Services Director, Zenia Bobadilla

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of June 15, 2020 Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Himes

SECOND: Vice Chair Berlin

Unanimously Passed

5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

5A. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- **FACILITY STATUS UPDATE**

Director Bobadilla updated the Commission on the current status of City public facilities. The City is continuing to follow the guidelines from the CDC and the California Department of Public Health. Current amenities open at Stanton Central Park are the trails, walking paths, tennis courts, Skate Park and picnics and outdoor play within households. Still closed to the public are playgrounds, fitness equipment and splash pad area.

There are also no formal reservations for picnic shelters or any types of indoor rentals

are being taken at this time.

- **REPORT ON PARKS & RECREATION MONTH – JULY 2020**

Every year in July, the Community Services Department highlights the benefits of "Parks and Recreation month. Due to Covid-19 pandemic this year staff had to be creative and came up with a number of opportunities to engage virtually. Staff was able to secure from the CPRS Agency an app for the month of July called "Agents of Discovery." Families were able to download the app and enjoy a different adventure each week. It was very well received from all families and we look forward to doing it again next year. This year's "Movies under the Stars" was cancelled but staff was able to do a movie trivia every Wednesday and give away gift baskets containing a DVD, popcorn and candy. The PIO Department was able to do video on the benefits that Parks and Recreation bring to residents. Members of the community were able to participate and give their perspective and what they love about parks. The video can be viewed on the City's social media channels. Another highlight was the Senior Resource Fair held on Tuesday, July 7 outside of City Hall. This senior event was converted into a drive thru and staff distributed over 250 goodie bags, items were donated from 11 different vendors. Senator Chang's office was on hand to distribute state related information along with personal protective equipment supplies.

- **PROP 68 STATEWIDE PARK PROGRAM ROUND 4**

This is the 4th and final round for Prop 68 with \$395 million dollars available, which is \$140 million more than the last round of funding. Last year, the City submitted a grant application for the Norm Ross Sports Complex that was not awarded. Most cities and projects that were funded were for brand new acquisition, new land and development of new parks. The City is working with David Volz Design and Townsend Public Affairs assessing all criteria for the next application. Applications for the grant are due December 14, 2020.

Discussion followed

- **PROP 68 PER CAPITA ALLOCATIONS**

The total amount that the City will receive is \$201,976 which was based on a formula from \$113 million dollars and distributed to 635 recipients. The main goal behind this funding is to utilize awards to rehabilitate existing infrastructure and to address deficiencies in neighborhoods lacking access to the outdoors. Staff will discuss with the Public Works department and it will be presented to the Commission to move forward. Applications for all of these projects are due June 30, 2021.

Discussion followed

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7A. DISCUSSION REGARDING PRIORITIES FOR THE PREMIER PARK PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Director Bobadilla updated the Commission on the Premier Park Playground Project. This playground project has been funded by Park in-lieu fees. Public Works is looking to repurpose the rubberized area as some areas have been patched. This project is estimated to cost \$200,000 to replace playground equipment and rubberized surfaces. The City is currently looking into filling the Youth Zone area with a full playground structure and areas for other options. Staff is looking to get direction on some amenities from the Commission.

Discussion followed

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner's Himes and Berlin requested the Agenda and Minutes to be sent via mail as well as email. Chair Warren commented on the City going out to bid for a new website and thanked all staff involved. Chair Warren and Vice Chair Berlin also wanted to thank all departments for all their hard work during the past several months of the pandemic.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commission adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

s/ Zenia Bobadilla, Community Services Director
