



MINUTES

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, September 5, 2006

6:00 p.m.

Memorial Park Senior Center

1800 Byron Street

Members Present

Eileen Karlsruher, Chairman
Mary Lyerly
Matthew Carroll
Alice Davis
Henry Stokes
Carl Pataky
Yolanda Cordova
Joel Barrios
Hector Munoz
Jose L. Gutierrez
Alma Wilson
Walt Phillips

Members Absent

Mitch Doblado
Kelly Duke
Olga Holguin
Daniel Delahaye
Cherilyn Dorsey
Robert Gonzales
Gail Caldwell

Others Present:

Veronica Harris, P+3

Staff Present

Dr. Norman C. Merrifield
Barry Russell
Lucy Martinez
Joe Rodriguez
Doug Barnes
Pete Dunavant
Paula Powell
Enrique Valadez
Veronica Myers
Sandy Rodriguez
Carlos Calderon
Dennis Elengold
Keith Hall
Joe Aguirre
Carlos Apodaca
Brenda Romero
Esperanza Yee
Ricardo Bustamante

Late Arrivals/Early Departures:

1. **Meeting called to order** by Chairperson, Eileen Karlsruher at 6:03 p.m.
2. **Motion to approve July 11, 2006 minutes and August 8, 2006 minutes made by Henry Stokes; seconded by Alma Wilson with correction to the August 8th minutes as follows: Alma Wilson be included as Member Present at meeting; all in favor; motions past unanimously.**
3. **Petitions and Communications from the Public:**
Matthew Carroll, Park Board member invites the public September 16, 2006 to help clean weeds and debris at Arroyo Park.
4. **Parks and Recreation Staff Announcements:**
Jose Rodriguez, Recreation Services Manager and his staff recognized 25 outstanding volunteers and employees from Mission Valley Centers, Sacramento Senior Center, South Central Centers, Westside Center, and Southside Centers.
5. **Information and Discussion on Status Report of QOL Projects: Veronica Harris, Project Manager for P+3,** stated that all projects will be under construction by late September and October, 2006. The City has received a lease agreement from Fort Bliss and City Attorneys are negotiating terms at this time.

6. **Discussion and Action on Park Naming Policy (Resolution) by Henry Stokes, Chairman for the Park Naming Subcommittee:** Mr. Stokes stated that the Park Naming Subcommittee was satisfied with the amendments made to the Park Naming Policy/Resolution and recommended the Park Advisory Board's approval to recommend the Policy as written. **Motion to approve the Park Naming Policy/Resolution made by Alice Davis; seconded by Joel Barrios; all in favor; motion past unanimously.**
7. **Discussion and Action on Re-naming of Ruby Coates Park to "Montoya Heights Park" by Henry Stokes, Chairman for the Park Naming Subcommittee:** Mr. Stokes stated that all criteria for the re-naming of Ruby Coates Park was met and the Park Naming Subcommittee unanimously voted for the name change and recommended the Park Advisory Board's approval for the name change. **Motion made by Jose L. Gutierrez to approve the Re-naming of Ruby Coates Park to Montoya Heights Park; seconded by Matthew Carroll; all in favor; motion past unanimously.**
8. **Discussion and Information on Park Master Plan and Open Space/Arroyo Plan Update:** Dr. Merrifield stated that the Park Master Plan and Open Space/Arroyo Plan has been submitted to Half Associates for final corrections and will be submitted before the LRC meeting in October 2006 then go before City Council to become an addendum to the Parks Master Plan.
9. **Discussion and Action on Grievance Committee Meeting held June 21, 2006 by Alma Wilson, Chairperson for Sports Grievance Committee:** Ms. Wilson discussed all cases heard on June 21, 2006 and explained the situation for the grievances and the Board's decision. **Alice Davis motions to approve the final decisions made by the Sports Grievance Committee; Carl Pataky seconds the motion; all in favor; motion past unanimously.**
10. **Discussion and Action on Appeal for Ruling at the June 21, 2006 Grievance Committee Meeting held June 21, 2006 by Joe Olvera:** Mr. Olvera was not available. Doug Barnes, Sports Manager for Parks and Recreation Department stated that all facts related to Mr. Olvera were not disclosed at the time of the Grievance Committee Meeting and recommends that the Board reconsider the 1-year suspension to be counted as time served. **Yolanda Cordova motions to allow Mr. Olvera be Reinstated with time served; Joel Barrios seconds the motion; all in favor; motion past unanimously.**
11. **Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**