

**MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, June 1, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission met in a Regular Session at 7:01 p.m., Wednesday, June 1, 2016, in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Ave., Chair Wilson presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commission Members: Bell, Jempsa, Jorge, Wilson

Absent: Commission Members: Carvajal, Decker

Present: Staff: Corey Lakin, Recreation & Community Svcs. Dir.
Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager
Ron Noda, Recreation Manager
Emily Gingras, Recreation Coordinator
Megan Shimada, Recreation Coordinator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Wilson opened Oral Communications. There being no one present wishing to speak, Chair Wilson closed Oral Communications.

5. MINUTES

Motion/Second: Wilson/Jorge

Unanimously Carried: The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission approved the minutes of the regular meeting of May 4, 2016.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Weekend of Art in Los Alamitos Recap:

Megan Shimada, Recreation Coordinator, provided a summarization on first Weekend of the Art in Los Alamitos held at the Community Center Friday, April 29 - Sunday, May 1, 2016. Approximately 500 people visited the exhibition throughout the weekend and 162 artists submitted their work for display. Based on the artists survey responses, event feedback, and discussions with Parks Recreation and Cultural Arts Commissioner Bell, staff will address some criticisms and implement some changes to improve the overall event.

B. Los Alamitos Senior Programs:

Emily Gingras, Recreation Coordinator, provided the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission an update on a variety of programs, activities and services that the City of Los Alamitos offers to our senior community. These programs help seniors maintain an active and healthy lifestyle, while building friendships, community awareness and wonderful memories.

C. 2016 Summer Preview:

Corey Lakin, Recreation and Community Services Director, provided the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission a preview of the Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department 2016 summer programs, camps and events. As the summer is the busiest time of the year, the Recreation and Community Services Department directs marketing strategies to increase participation in our programs and events.

8. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Corey Lakin, Director of Recreation and Community Services Department thanked the Parks Recreation and Community Services Commissioners and staff for the Weekend of Art in Los Alamitos. Please note that July and August meetings will begin at 5:00 p.m. with a light dinner, to be followed by parks and facilities tour at 5:30 p.m.

We are excited to announce that our summer programming will begin the week of June 20, 2016, as this is the busiest time of the year for us. The Race on the Base website is now live and accepting online registrations. In keeping up with new trends and competitors the Recreation and Community Services Department is currently exploring new ways to market our programs and events via social media.

9. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Bell thanked the City Council for the Weekend of Art in Los Alamitos recognition.

Commissioner Jempsa did not have an item to report.

Commissioner Jorge thanked staff for Weekend of Art in Los Alamitos.

Chair Wilson thanked Commissioner Bell for his loyal dedication to the Parks Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission. Chair Wilson requested from staff an update from the Los Alamitos Unified School District Steer Committee relating to field, PR&CA Commission vacancies and progress on sundial. Chair Wilson also requested staff to provide a report on accommodations for individuals with disabilities, playground equipment, Special Olympics, and classes.

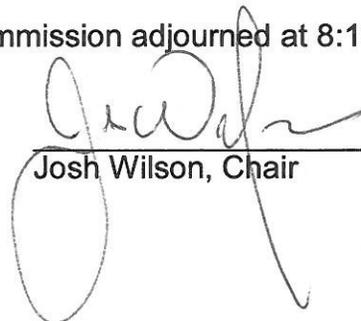
10. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Attest:



Corey Lakin, Director
Recreation & Community Services Department



Josh Wilson, Chair