

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

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, September 7, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Commission Members: Estrada

Present: Staff: Corey Lakin, Recreation & Community Svcs. Dir.
Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager
Ron Noda, Recreation Manager
Tony Brandyberry, Superintendent, Public Works

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: Carvajal/Bell

Abstain: Jorge

Unanimously Carried: The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission approved the minutes of the regular meeting of August 3, 2016, to amend minutes and include in Commissioner Reports discussion of the Sundial.

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. Quarterly Park Maintenance Update & Facility Tour Review

Tony Brandyberry, Public Works Superintendent provided the 2016 third quarter park maintenance activity update. The report listed all maintenance and repair activities and yielding the opportunity for the Commission to provide feedback to staff on current and future maintenance concerns they may have. Staff also recognized additional maintenance and repairs that are essential and will provided an update at the next quarterly meeting.

B. 2016 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular Overview and Wrap-Up

Staff provided the Commission the opportunity to review and discuss the 2016th 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular. This event is co-produced by the cities of Los Alamitos and Cypress with financial support and police support from the City of Seal Beach and financial support from the Community of Rossmoor. The Joint Forces Training Base provides the facility for the show.

Since 2010, the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular has been revenue-direct expenditure neutral. The balance of revenues over expenditures is moved into the City's 4th of July Liability Account and will be used for future 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular events when the revenues will not meet the direct-expenditures.

7. **ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Corey Lakin, Director of Recreation and Community Services Department announced to the PR&CA Commission the increase in day camp and park program attendance as well as other programs this summer. The new registration system is now live and commissioners are encouraged to take a look at the new technology. Many customers have already commented how easy it is to use the new system.

Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager reminded the Commission that registration is currently taking place for Race on the Base early bird registration ending at the end of this month.

Ron Noda, Recreation Manager invited the PR&CA Commission to the annual Los Alamitos Volunteer Program Appreciation Dinner and recognition by City Council, which will take place on September 19, 2016.

8. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Jempso did not have an item to report.

Commissioner Bell requested to have some history and fees to restore the Sundial timepiece.

Commission Carvajal thanked staff for the site tour and the challenges of our public spaces. He also thanked Commissioner Bell for his commitment to this commission and bringing the cultural arts back into the community.

Commissioner Jorge also thanked Commissioner Bell for his tenure on the Commission and revitalizing cultural arts in the community.

Vice Chair Decker thanked staff for the site tours and inquired if the trash receptacles at the park sites could be more attractive. She asked that the website commission picture be updated to include Commissioner Estrada. Vice Chair Decker asked staff if it would be possible to still consider a drop in fee as previously offered as she would like to attend again in the near future.

Chair Wilson thanked staff for sacrificing their time with families and for everything that they do for the community.

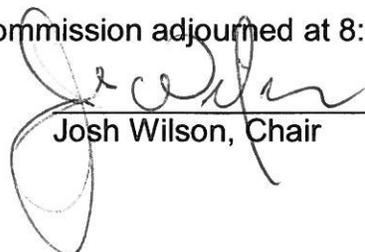
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Attest:



Corey Lakin, Director
Recreation & Community Services Department



Josh Wilson, Chair