

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

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, February 1, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission met in a Regular Session at 7:04 p.m., Wednesday, February 1, 2017, in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Ave., Chair Carvajal presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commission Members: Chirco, Carvajal, Doby, Olveda

Absent: Commission Members: Jorge, Estrada

Present: Staff: Corey Lakin, Recreation & Community Svcs. Dir.
Ron Noda, Recreation Manager

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Carvajal led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. INSTALLATION OF NEW COMMISSIONER

Recreation and Community Services Director Corey Lakin gave the Oath of Allegiance and installed Tonya Doby as a Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts (PR&CA) Commissioner.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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

6. MINUTES

Deferred approval of minutes of December 7, 2016 and January 4, 2017 to next schedule meeting.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Race On The Base 2017

Recreation and Community Services Director, Corey Lakin provided the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts (PR&CA) Commission with an update on 2017 Race on the Base. The Race on the Base is the City's largest annual special event held on the 4th weekend of February. This event draws thousands of people to Los Alamitos and the Joint Forces Training Base.

Registration is currently down a bit from last year due to many competing events and participants hesitating to register until they see the weather for race day. Community Charity Partners and Official Charity Partners allow non-profit organizations to fundraise for their cause while participating in the event and fundraise on behalf of their charities at ROTB. This year the Race on the Base has two charities Honor Our Fallen and Rock For Vets.

There will be a large Registration and Vendor Expo Tent, adjacent to the Start and Finish Line. Parking will be handled by Civil Air Patrol and 24/7 Event Services and will be located on the tarmac. Traffic into and out of the base will be through both the Lexington and Orangewood gates on Saturday only.

The PR&CA Commission has extended the Race on the Base Challenge to Commissions and City Council. Commissioner Chirco attended Traffic Commission, Commissioner Olveda attended City Council meeting and staff will email the remaining Commissions.

B. Special Olympics Southern California in Los Alamitos

Recreation and Community Services Manager, Ron Noda, provided the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission an update regarding Special Olympics Southern California in Los Alamitos. The City of Los Alamitos partnered with Special Olympics Southern California in August 2016 to offers programs for athletes with intellectual disabilities. The city provides amenities which include the Los Alamitos Community Center, Laurel Park, Little Cottonwood Park, Oak Gymnasium, and Special Olympics Southern California provides the programming.

C. Los Alamitos Youth Basketball League

Recreation and Community Services Manager, Ron Noda, provided the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission an update regarding the 2017 Youth Basketball League. The City of Los Alamitos offers a Youth Basketball League for coeds between the ages of 5-14 years old. Offered primarily as an after-school activity, practices are held at various sites around the community with games held on Saturdays at the Oak Middle School Gymnasium. This is a ten-week program and the season ends with a "Skills Contest" that includes an awards presentation allowing every participant an opportunity to shine regardless of their basketball skill level.

8. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Corey Lakin, Recreation and Community Services Director announced that the Spring Brochure arrival will be in mid-February. We look forward to seeing all of the commissions and city council take part in the challenge. The Weekend of Art in Los Alamitos will be held on March 17-19, 2017 with an awards reception on Sunday, March 19, 2017. Spring Carnival will take place on April 15, 2017 at Little Cottonwood Park and AYSO is the main sponsor for the 3rd consecutive year. Also in April the California Parks and Recreation Society District 10 will have its annual banquet. Next month on the agenda the PR&CA Commission will nominate an individual or organization to receive the Volunteer Merit Award.

9. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Olveda will be participating in the ROTB event on Saturday.

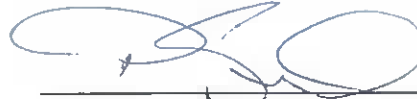
Commissioner Chirco will attend ROTB Glow Run and volunteered to be a judge for that event as well.

Commissioner Doby volunteered for ROTB on Friday evening.

Chair Carvajal, volunteered to be a judge for ROTB Friday's Glow Run. Chair Carvajal thanked the PR&CA Commissioners and encouraged each commissioner to come out to as many events as possible to familiarize what all staff does to put these events together for our community.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 8:12 p.m.



Pete Carvajal, Chair

Attest:



Corey Lakin, Director
Recreation & Community Services Department