

PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES
May 4, 2016 - 6:30pm Public Safety Building

Commissioner Mike Dannat called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m. Roll Call found Commissioners Aldrich, Dannat, Gehring, Jones and Linkem were present.

ATTENDANCE:

City Employees	City Administrator Mark Bethune and Parks Commission Secretary Beckie Meek
Professional Representatives	Councilmembers Bill Birkes and Tod Gunther
Visitors	None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None

MINUTES:

March 2, 2016 Minutes	Motion was made by Commissioner Aldrich to approve the Minutes of March 2, 2016 as presented. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gehring. Motion carried 5-0.
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PRESENTATIONS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Gratzer Park Grant	City Administrator Mark Bethune reported that next Tuesday, May 10 th that the application for the Gratzer Park Grant will be going to a Technical Review for comments/recommendations.
Calistoga Park Plans	Secretary Beckie Meek stated that the Parks Commission needs to start working on the plans for Calistoga Park for recommendation to the City Council. After some discussion of both drawings of Leslie McCoy's and Steven Neilson's the following was decided for the 5 year plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Move the budget up to \$35,000-\$40,000 for the play area (phase 1)• Take out the Splash Park• Move the Venue Infrastructure to where the Splash Park was planned• Have the trail in the baseball outfield angle towards the play area so it does not interfere with the baseball field homeruns• Take out the Circuit Training and replace with a picnic shelter and picnic tables

- Leave the planned picnic tables/BBQs, small dog park, trails and the parking area by storm pond but add barriers for cars to park along and not to do any burnouts/donuts.

Secretary Beckie Meek will get the drawing up to date with the five (5) year plan and phase 1 and then have it at the next Parks Commission meeting in June for recommendation to the city council.

Councilmember Tod Gunther wanted to remind the Parks Commissioners that there was a survey that was sent out that showed community wanting the splash park. Secretary Beckie Meek will see about getting the results to the Parks Plan Survey and have it for the commissioners.

Chairperson Mike Dannat also reminded the commissioners that the plans that will be sent to the City Council from the Parks Commissioners are only a recommendation and the council has the final say.

Gratzer Park
Baseball Fields
Warning Track

Co-Chair Linkem reported that the Warning Tracks on the Gratzer Park Baseball fields are starting to be overgrown. He felt this was a maintenance issue and wanted to see if it could be rototilled and regrade the area. Secretary Beckie Meek will get with Dean at Publicworks on this.

OLD BUSINESS:

Basketball Area at
Main Park

Co-Chair Linkem asked where the process is in getting the basketball court finished for the backboards and flooring done. Secretary Beckie Meek reminded them that it was not in the 2016 budget but could be added to the request for the 2017 budget.

PARKS PROJECTS:

North Park
Fountain

Co-Chair Jason Linkem reported that he has some ideas for the fountain. He would like to see about doing a stamping concrete and so some basalt columns. Jason will do a drawing of some plans and have them ready for the packet for the next meeting in June.

Commissioner Jones also reported that the Friends of the Orting Fountain does have \$200.00 in the account to do some landscaping once the fountain is complete.

CITY PROJECTS:

VanScoyoc
Parking Lot
Plantings

City Administrator stated that he would like to see the Parks Commission give input on the decision of the planting that will be going in with the new lights at the parking lots along VanScoyoc. Commissioner Gehring will take this project on and report back with ideas at the next meeting in June.

PARKS CONCEPTS:

Parks Plans Chairperson Mike Dannat asked that all the parks plans be listed on the agenda for the Parks Concepts. This will allow for any updates that may need to be done for future plans in future budgets.

CITY COUNCIL:

Report Deputy Mayor Bill Birkes reported that the next meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday, May 11th at the PSB at 7pm.

SET AGENDA ITEMS:

January 6, 2016 1. North Park Fountain
Meeting Agenda 2. Calistoga Park Plan
 3. Parks Commission Projects 2016
 4. City Park Projects 2016
 5. Park Concepts

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Memorial Park Commissioner Madeline Jones reported that the Memorial Park Plaque has been placed and recommended that the Parks Commissioners go and take a look at it.

Main Park Flag Deputy Mayor Bill Birkes reported that the flag pole is going to need to have 20 Pole ft. taken off because it is swaying too much in the wind. It has already had about 30 ft. taken off a long time ago.

ADJOURN:

Commissioner Gehring moved to adjourn at 7:45pm. Commissioner Aldrich seconded the motion. Motioned carried 5-0.

ATTEST:

Secretary, Beckie Meek

Chairperson, Mike Dannat