

CITY OF SAN DIMAS  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES OF  
March 17, 2015  
SENIOR CITIZEN/COMMUNITY CENTER MEETING ROOM

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Perkins at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:

Kathryn Perkins, Vice-Chairperson  
Susan Davis  
Tom Diaz  
Jose Martinez  
Baylee Smith (arrival during item 4 – Items of Business)

John Ebiner, City Councilmember (arrival during item 4 – Items of Business)  
Theresa Bruns, Parks and Recreation Director  
Leon Raya, Recreation Services Manager  
Karon De Leon, Facilities Manager

Absent:

Kevin Kenney, excused  
Frank Neal, excused

**APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 20, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2015 MEETING AS SUBMITTED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THREE TO ZERO (MARTINEZ, DAVIS, PERKINS) AND ONE ABSTENSION (DIAZ).

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**A. Review of Nominations and Selection of the 2015 Distinguished Service to Youth Award Recipients**

Director Bruns distributed the submitted nomination packets and reviewed the nomination criteria and purpose for each category.

The nominees in the Volunteer Category were: Alfredo Avalos, Robert Smith II, Douglas Schmidt and Casey Cox.

THE COMMISSIONERS VOTED 5 – 0 TO APPROVE THE SELECTION OF ALFREDO AVALOS AND ROBERT SMITH II. THE COMMISSIONERS VOTED 5 – 0 TO DECLINE THE SELECTION OF DOUGLAS SCHMIDT AND CASEY COX, BECAUSE THEIR NOMINATION SUBMISSIONS DID NOT DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY MET THE AWARD CRITERIA.

The nominees in the Professional Category were: Keith Ensman, Gary Jackson, Ruth Luevand, Galen Gillotte, Nancy Munoz and Shaunna Gygli.

THE COMMISSION APPROVED ALL OF THE PROFESSIONAL NOMINEES BY A 5 – 0 VOTE.

The nomination in the Group Category was The Thaddeus Foundation.

THE COMMISSION APPROVED THE THADDEUS FOUNDATION NOMINATION BY A 5 – 0 VOTE.

Recipients and their nominators will be invited to attend the Distinguished Service to Youth Awards Reception to be held at 6:30 p.m. prior to the April 14 City Council meeting. Recipients will be recognized at the City Council meeting. Commissioners were encouraged to attend.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATION**

### **A. Director of Parks and Recreation**

#### 1. Update on Projects

Director Bruns provided the following update on the current projects:

Marchant Park rehabilitation is moving forward with the playground equipment and restroom building being approved. Currently staff is working with the Architect on the exterior design element on the Recreation Building. The ADA study of the site is completed and the findings will be incorporated into the project.

Via Verde Park playground relocation is in the design phase of the relocation to accommodate and meet all ADA issues. Once completed the concept plans will be brought to the Commission for their review and approval.

Walnut Creek Open Space draft CEQA document has been reviewed by staff and returned for revisions. The WCA is currently reviewing the draft CEQA document. Once completed the document will go to City Council for adoption and then Phase I can begin. Phase I will consist of: removal, cleanup of site and old structures, trail work, a landscape buffer and access through Loma Vista Park.

Director Bruns informed the Commission that the budget process is underway and departmental budgets will be submitted at the end of March for Administrative review.

#### 2. Calendar of Upcoming Events

Manager Raya distributed a calendar of events for March through May; he highlighted the upcoming events such as the Youth Basketball Awards, Family Festival, Spring Break activities and City Olympics.

### **B. Members of the Audience**

John Margis commented he has been hiking many of the local trails and he reported the trails look great and encouraged others to utilize the trails.

### **C. Members of the Commission**

None

### **D. City Council Liaison**

Councilmember Ebiner reported that the Gold Line planning is continuing and he is serving on the Art Committee for station design. He mentioned that a public meeting will be

conducted in the Senior Citizen/Community Center Multi-purpose Room on April 30; this will be an opportunity to review the art concepts for the station. He also informed the Commission that the restaurant in the Walker House, LucaBella, has opened.

**ADJOURNMENT**

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:59 PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karon R. DeLeon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a trailing flourish.

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Karon DeLeon, Facilities Manager