

EQUESTRIAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
January 3, 2006

City Council Conference Room

PRESENT: Chair Sally Feola
Commissioner Debbie Humphreys
Commissioner Misty Reiss
Commissioner Shari Nichols

Assistant City Manager Ken Duran

ABSENT: Vice Chair Darlene McGrady

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Feola called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2005

Commissioner Humphreys made a motion to approve the minutes of November 1, 2005 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reiss and passed unanimously.

SYCAMORE CANYON EQUESTRIAN CENTER UPDATE

Mr. Duran reported that the amended lease was approved by the City Council and went into effect December 1st. He added that the agreement provides for more operational autonomy in the management and the administration of the business. He added that he will continue to report to the Commission on a regular basis on how the implementation of the new lease is going. Mr. Duran said that there will be quarterly inspections of the facility to assure that the City's facilities are being maintained properly. Several Commissioners expressed that there should be someone with horse knowledge along for the inspections as well.

Commissioner Humphreys stated that increased rents went into effect January 1st. She commented that some boarders have moved out due to the rent increase. There was discussion about the rent increase and impact on the boarders.

SYCAMORE CREEK TRAIL UPDATE

Mr. Duran reported that work along the creek bed has been completed with the exception of some vegetation clearing and planting of new trees. He added that along the road was delayed because of the need to redesign the retaining walls and as soon as it dries out

from the rain work will resume. He also reported that directional signs will also be added.

COMMUNITY ARENA UPDATE

Mr. Duran reported that staff received a call last week from the architect for the cell phone company that they want to meet to review a revised plan. They also commented that they may have a couple of other companies who may want to co-locate on the site which may mean more rent.

Commissioner Humphreys reported that she checked the arena this afternoon after the rain and it appears to have drained well. She commented that the fence on the north side still hasn't been replaced properly.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Duran reported on the two second DPRB cases that were reported to the Commission previously. He said that they were resolved and approved but we will probably be seeing more of these types of second unit requests on equestrian property in the future.

He reported that there is a request to subdivide a 145,090 lot on the corner of Walnut and DeAnza Heights. He added that when the site plan is submitted it will be presented to the Commission for review.

In response to an inquiry he reported that the sub-division at the end of Valley Center is in plan check and there is the Dentec project in Walnut Creek has been taken off calendar by the County until outstanding EIR issues are resolved.

MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were no members of the audience present.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

There were no additional Commissioners comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on February 7th.