

**CITY OF FONTANA
PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 24, 2013**

The City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission and Staff met for a workshop at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 24, 2013, in the City Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California, prior to the regular meeting to review the agenda, discuss involvement in the Festival of Winter; review the November and December calendar; discuss the Athletic Field Allocation Meeting; review User Fees, and discuss Community Services Commission appointments. Chairperson Vaquera and Commissioners Coleman, Espinoza, Goñi, Quiroga, Rowland and Tigner were present.

The regular meeting of the City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission was held on Thursday, October 24, 2013, in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chairperson Vaquera, followed by an Invocation given Pastor Dennis Larkin, Journey Community Church, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Quiroga.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairperson Vaquera, Vice-Chairperson Rowland, Commissioners Coleman, Espinoza, Goñi, Quiroga, and Tigner

Absent: None

Staff: Community Services Director Garth Nelson; Community Services Manager Frances Hernandez; Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples; Parks and Landscape Supervisor Eric Garwick; Administrative Analyst Brent Strong; Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock; Community Services Supervisor Karen Gerber; Community Services Supervisor Rafael Gonzalez; Community Services Coordinator Brenda Kalberg; Community Services Coordinator Victoria Reyna; and Commission Secretary Ysela Aguirre.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH:

None.

B. Veterans Day Essay Contest Donation - Jesus "Jesse" Sandoval

Councilmember Jesse Sandoval presented a check for the prizes of the Dr. Charles Koehler Veteran's Day Writing Contest winner to be presented at the Veterans Day Celebration on November 11, 2013, at the Fontana Veterans Resource Center. Councilmember Sandoval commended the Parks and Community Services Commissioners for their good work in the community.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Goñi, seconded by Commissioner Rowland, and passed unanimously by a vote of 7-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items "A-D."

- A. Approve minutes of the August 22, 2013, Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting.
- B. Community Services Department Monthly Report for August 2013.
- C. Community Services Department Monthly Report for September 2013.
- D. Public Works Operations - Parks and Landscape Division August 2013.
- E. Public Works Operations – Parks and Landscape Division September 2013.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Vaquera recommended reordering of agenda items; by consensus, Item B. on the agenda will be heard after Item E.

A. Summer Food 2013 Recap

Community Services Coordinator Victoria Reyna provided a recap on the Summer 2013 Food Program.

The program has been growing every year but experienced a small decline towards the end of this season. The program expects to have another successful year in 2014.

C. Special Events Update – Rob Bock

Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock provided a Special Events Update on events held in August and September 2013; and upcoming events scheduled in November 2013.

Information for all events is available at www.fontana.recreation.org or by calling 909.349.6900.

D. Community Services Department Halloween Events

Community Services Supervisor Karen Gerber provided a report on the upcoming Halloween Events planned for October 31, 2013, at Cypress Neighborhood Center, Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center, Don Day Neighborhood Center, and Jack Bulik Teen Center.

All Halloween Events are free except the Jack Bulik Teen Center Dance with a fee of \$5; and various food vendors and photos at all events. No registration is required to participate.

E. 2013 Aquatic Season Recap

Community Services Supervisor Rafael Gonzalez and Community Services Coordinator Brenda Kalberg provided a recap on the 2013 Aquatic Season.

The number of participants at all facilities (74,000) for recreational swim were the actual number of attendees.

Director Nelson spoke to the challenges of running the Aquatics Program with the various school and college schedules.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Tigner, seconded by Commissioner Espinoza, and passed by a vote of 7-0 to receive and order filed reports on Items "A, C, D, and E" given under New Business.

B. Co-Sponsorship Applications

Commissioner Espinoza recused herself from hearing this item.

Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock presented the four applications submitted for Co-Sponsorship of events in the City of Fontana.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Goñi, seconded by Commissioner Quiroga, and passed by a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioner Espinoza abstaining to recommend all four co-sponsorship applications for Fiscal Year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of \$26,021.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Rowland, seconded by Commissioner Goñi, and passed by of 6-0-1 with Commissioner Espinoza abstaining to submit a prioritized list of co-sponsorship events to the City Council for funding approval as follows:

1. Fontana Rotary
2. Summit Aquatic Booster Club
3. Concerned Citizens for the Development of North Fontana
4. Ephesians New Testament Church

F. User Fees

Community Services Administrative Analyst Brent Strong provided a report on proposed User Fees with no change to 35 fees; deletion of 14 fees; addition of 9 fees; increase of 2 fees and decrease of 1 fee.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Rowland, and passed by a vote of 7-0 to recommend the proposed user fee changes, including but not limited to, fee increases, fee title changes, fee description changes, fee deletions, and implementation of new fees, and recommend the Community Services Department submit to the Management Services Department for City Council approval.

Director Nelson spoke on the amount of work required on the User Fees and commended Brent Strong for all of his work.

Commissioner Vaquera spoke to the fees changing or being modified by going through a process that best benefits the members of the community.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Commissioner Coleman invited the community to attend all of the Halloween events.

Commissioner Coleman wished everyone a safe and sane Halloween.

Commissioner Espinoza thanked staff for providing all of the reports in an easy to read format.

Commissioner Espinoza thanked staff for their work at the pools especially the great staff at Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center.

Commissioner Espinoza invited the community to come to all of the fantastic events.

Commissioner Goñi thanked the City of Fontana staff for the great and fantastic job they do.

Commissioner Goñi invited the community to the events on October 31, 2013, and encouraged everyone to watch out for the little ones.

Commissioner Goñi wished everyone a good evening.

Commissioner Tigner invited everyone to come out, participate and enjoy themselves.

Commissioner Tigner encouraged everyone to be safe on Halloween.

Commissioner Quiroga reminded the kids and parents to be safe on Halloween; there is a lot of extra traffic that night so look both ways, don't walk alone, and drive slowly.

Commissioner Quiroga commented on the great number of participants in the summer aquatics program, in spite of a shorter season. It is a testament to the level of quality that the City of Fontana offers its citizens. Good job for Fontana.

Commissioner Quiroga spoke on the user fees being an important part to offering programming, if everything was free, there would not be as much to offer.

Commissioner Rowland welcomed Dr. Leslie A. Boozer to her new role as the Fontana Unified School District Superintendent.

Commissioner Rowland announced that Relay for Life will be giving out candy at the Trunk or Treat Event at Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center.

Commissioner Rowland announced the Relay for Life Kickoff Event on October 29, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. at the Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center.

Commissioner Rowland announced that applications are being accepted for the Miss Fontana Pageant 2014; there are already 27 girls signed up. There will be Miss Teen Fontana (ages 15-17) and a Miss Fontana (ages 18-25). Applications are available at www.missfontana.com.

Chairperson Vaquera commented on the great summer events that had great participation and commended staff for doing a great job that he knows will continue into the fall events.

Chairperson Vaquera reminded everyone to be careful on Halloween with all kids.

Chairperson Vaquera welcomed Superintendent Boozer.

Chairperson Vaquera reminded everyone to always tell their loved ones you love them because you never know when will be the last time you see them.

Chairperson Vaquera wished everyone a good night.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMENTS:

Community Services Director Garth W. Nelson thanked the Parks and Community Services Commissioners for their participation in the Joint City Council meeting.

Director Nelson announced that some items on the annual calendar of agenda items had to be rescheduled for the remaining months of 2013 and beginning of 2014.

Director Nelson thanked Council Member Jesse Sandoval's involvement in the Veteran's Day Essay Contest. He has led this effort for many years.

Director Nelson thanked the Parks and Community Services Commissioners for attending, supporting and giving feedback on all of the events they attend.

Director Nelson thanked Rob Bock for all of his work on special events, co-sponsorship; and Karen Gerber for her extraordinary job with the teams that deliver programs throughout the city.

Director Nelson spoke on the great job Rafael Gonzalez, Brenda Kalberg, and Teresa Ramirez do on the Aquatics and Sports programs.

Director Nelson announced a City Council and Fontana Unified School District Board Joint Meeting on Thursday, November 14, 2013, in City Council Chambers.

Director Nelson wished everyone a great and safe Halloween.

Community Services Manager Frances Hernandez echoed Director Nelson's words on staff's report and Rafael and Karen's work.

Manager Hernandez announced the Halloween Spooktacular Events on Thursday, October 31, 2013, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center, Don Day Neighborhood Center, Cypress Neighborhood Center, and the dance from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Jack Bulik Teen Center.

Manager Hernandez thanked the MYAC for their wonderful Stand Up Speak Out Event and the Mayor and City Council for their support of the group.

Manager Hernandez thanked everyone that attended and worked at the Lights On After School Program the National Day of Celebrating After School.

Manager Hernandez congratulated Mariana Mitchell and Jizelle Campos (FUSD); they will be recognized at the Joint City Council and Fontana Unified School Board meeting for receiving the After School Hero Award.

Manager Hernandez wished everyone a happy Halloween

Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples invited the community, Parks and Community Services Commission and City Council to the Veterans Day Celebration at the Veteran's Resource Center on November 11, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.

Supervisor Samples announced the upcoming Winter Festival Activities that begin with a tree lighting on December 4, 2013, at the Civic Center; parade on December 7, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. followed with Winter Festival at Miller Park.

Director Nelson announced that Frances Hernandez, Oscar Duenas (FUSD), Mariana Mitchell and Jizelle Campos will be providing a joint presentation on the ASES Program and Manager Hernandez will be providing a presentation on the Joint Use Agreement with FUSD on the ASES program.

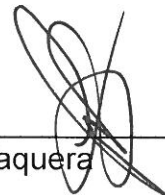
PUBLIC WORKS COMMENTS:

Eric Garwick, Parks and Landscape Supervisor, had no comment.

ADJOURNMENT:

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned in memory of David Ventura Sr., husband of Commissioner Espinoza, at 8:18 p.m. to a Regular Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting on Thursday, December 5, 2013, with a Workshop at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Executive Conference Room and the Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA 92335. Please call the Community Services Office at (909) 349-6904, if you are unable to attend the meeting.


Ysela Aguirre
Boards and Commissions Secretary


Chairperson Vaquera