

**CITY OF FONTANA  
PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 23, 2014  
6:00 PM**

The City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission and Staff met for a workshop at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2014, in the City Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California, prior to the regular meeting to review the agenda, Festival of Winter Involvement, and be provided an Athletic Field Allocation Overview. Chairperson Quiroga and Commissioners Coleman, Espinoza, Goñi, Rowland, Vaquera, and Tigner were present.

The regular meeting of the City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission was held on Thursday, October 23, 2014, in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chairperson Quiroga, followed by an Invocation given by Ephesians New Testament Church, Pastor Emory James, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Vaquera.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

Absent: None.

Staff: Community Services Director Garth Nelson; Community Services Manager Aaron Orozco; Community Services Manager Michael Wright; Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples; Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock; Community Services Coordinator Nathan Hunt; Community Services Coordinator Courtney Hodnick; Community Services Supervisors Geneo Ferrar and Community Services Coordinator Brenda Kalberg; Parks and Landscape Supervisor Erik Garwick; and Commission Secretary Ysela Aguirre.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

**A. Employee of the Month**

The Parks and Community Services Commission recognize Michael Wright as the full-time employee of the month.

Chairperson Quiroga congratulated Michael Wright on behalf of the Parks and Community Services Commission.

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

Jesse Sandoval presented a check for the Veteran's Day writing contest. Mr. Sandoval began the Veteran's Day writing contest in 1999 and he and his family provide the funding for the prizes to be awarded.

Chairperson Quiroga thanked City Councilmember Sandoval for his contribution and support.

Director Nelson invited the community to the Veteran's Day event on November 11, 2014, to listen to the young residents read their essays.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:**

None.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

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

**A. Approval of Minutes**

Approve minutes of the September 25, 2014 Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting.

**B. Public Works Operations - Parks and Landscape Division**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Special Events Update – Rob Bock**

Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock provided an update on events held in August which included the final Fontana Car Show on September 5, 2014; Million Father March co-sponsored event at Cypress Community Center on September 6, 2014; 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony at the John Roberts Fire Station on September 11, 2014; Thank a Hero, Hire a Veteran Job Fair at Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center on September 19, 2014; and the Volunteer Appreciation Picnic on September 20, 2014.

Supervisor Bock provided a review of events being held in November which include the Veteran's Day Celebration on November 1, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. in the Memorial Rose Garden.

More information for any of the events is available at [www.fontanarecreation.org](http://www.fontanarecreation.org) or 909.349.6900.

**B. Summer Food Program & Let's Move Outside Program – Kristy Samples**

Community Services Manager Kristy Samples introduced Community Services Coordinators Nathan Hunt and Courtney Hodnick to share information regarding the Summer Food Program and Let's Move Outside Program.

Coordinator Hunt provided an update on the summer food program. The summer food program is a partnership with the Fontana Unified School District that provides free lunch meals and snacks to the community's youth ages 18 and under.

Coordinator Hodnick provided an update on the Let's Move Outside Pilot Program. This program was developed to combat obesity, healthy lifestyle and provided 60 minutes of active play every day. There are 239 participants in the program and over 1,599 total summer attendance.

The food program is free to community members under the age of 18.

**C. 2014 Aquatics Summer Recap–Michael Wright**

Community Services Manager Michael Wright introduced Community Services Supervisor Geneo Ferrar and Community Services Coordinator Brenda Kalberg to provide a 2014 Aquatics Summer Recap.

Aquatic programming included recreational swim, swim lesson, aquatic fitness, clubs, camps and team swimming as well as aquatic special events.

Special events included Aqua Prom on May 9, 2014; World's Largest Swim Lesson on June 20, 2014; Pool vs. Pool Swim Meet on June 20, 2014; Dive In Movies on Friday nights; Family Fun Nights on Tuesday nights; Back to School Night on August 8, 2014.

There were also aquatic rentals at the Aquatic Center, Don Day, Heritage Pool, Miller Park, and Splash Park.

Chairperson Quiroga spoke on the success of the aquatics program being evident in the increase of participants.

Commissioner Vaquera spoke on the increase of participants.

Commissioner Tigner asked about the age limit of the Red Cross Training Programs. The age limits vary based on the Red Cross program.

Commissioner Espinoza asked about swim lessons for younger children. Classes run through October then begin again in March.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tigner, seconded by Commissioner Vaquera and passed by a vote of 7-0 to receive and order filed reports on items given under New Business.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Rowland spoke on the Lights Out Afterschool event at Fontana Middle School.

Commissioner Rowland spoke on the Relay For Life Kickoff event at Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center. This will be the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the event.

Commissioner Espinoza thanked staff for their presentations.

Commissioner Espinoza wished everyone a happy Halloween.

Commissioner Coleman spoke on all of the things going on in the city; there is something in every part of town for people to do. The Senior Center will be having games, music and dancing, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Halloween.

Commissioner Coleman reminded everyone that there are 35 days until Black Friday, and encouraged everyone to shop in Fontana for their gifts to benefit the City of Fontana.

Commissioner Goñi congratulated Michael Wright on being selected employee of the month.

Commissioner Goñi spoke on all of the Halloween events listed in the Community Services Brochure.

Commissioner Goñi reminded drivers to be cautious of children out trick or treating and recommended parents put reflective tape on their costumes.

Commissioner Goñi wished Paul and Joshua a very happy birthday.

Commissioner Goñi wished everyone a good evening.

Commissioner Tigner congratulated Michael Wright on being selected Employee of the Month.

Commissioner Tigner encouraged anyone not wanting to go walking on Halloween to attend the Trunk or Treat at Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center.

Commissioner Tigner congratulated Sergeant Binks on his retirement.

Commissioner Tigner wished everyone a good evening.

Commissioner Vaquera spoke on the great events throughout the city.

Commissioner Vaquera congratulated Michael Wright on his well-deserved selection as Employee of the Month.

Commissioner Vaquera thanked City Councilmember Jesse Sandoval for his contribution to the Veteran's Essay Contest.

Commissioner Vaquera wished everyone a safe Halloween and encouraged everyone to attend the City events.

Commissioner Vaquera spoke on the Summit Skyhawks having a game against Kaiser on Friday Night.

Commissioner Vaquera wished his father a happy 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Commissioner Vaquera wished everyone a good night.

Commissioner Coleman reminded everyone to vote in the upcoming election.

Chairperson Quiroga shared that there are lots of things to do in Fontana and to use the Community Services brochure for information.

Chairperson Quiroga encouraged everyone to be safe on Halloween.

Chairperson Quiroga congratulated Michael Wright for being selected employee of the month on the phenomenal job he does in Fontana.

Chairperson Quiroga thanked City Councilmember Jesse Sandoval for what he does with the Veteran's Day Essay Contest.

Chairperson Quiroga attended the Lights Out Event at Fontana Middle School.

Chairperson Quiroga thanked his wife for attending tonight's meeting with his daughter.

Chairperson Quiroga announced that there is a MYAC job fair at Summit High School at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMENTS:**

Director Nelson spoke on Michael Wright loving what he does.

Director Nelson announced that the Veteran's Day Essay Contest winners will be present at the December Parks and Community Services Commission meeting.

Director Nelson spoke on the meals and move programs being special and thanked staff for the great job they did this summer in making those programs grow.

Director Nelson spoke on the Aquatics Program's growth due to marketing.

Supervisor Rob Bock congratulated Michael Wright on being selected employee of the month.

Supervisor Bock reminded residents to drive safely on Halloween.

Manager Orozco thanked the Commissioners for announcing all of the Halloween events.

Manager Orozco thanked the afterschool program for participating in the Lights Out Afterschool event at Fontana Middle School.

Manager Wright thanked everyone for their great compliments.

Manager Wright invited residents to the Halloween event at the Senior Center from 11:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Manager Wright announced that the Senior Center will be hosting a Country Western event.

Manager Wright announced that Pee Wee and Youth Basketball registration begins on November 3, 2014.

Manager Wright congratulated the Fontana Aquatics Club for their events.

Manager Wright thanked all who attended the Let's Move event on the Pacific Electric trail on October 11, 2014, and reminded everyone that it is open year round so they can come out and enjoy it.

Manager Wright wished everyone a happy and safe Halloween.

Manager Wright thanked his family for being here tonight.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMENTS:**

Supervisor Garwik spoke on "Access Fontana" being available to report concerns in the City, i.e. potholes, graffiti, trees, etc., and encouraged residents to download the application.

Supervisor Garwik thanked Michael Wright for his collaboration and congratulated him on being recognized tonight.

Supervisor Garwik wished everyone a good night.


Commissioner Goñi encouraged everyone to vote.

Commissioner Goñi thanked Raquel for being in the audience tonight.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. to the Regular Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting on Thursday, November 20, 2014, 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.

  
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Ysela Aguirre  
Boards and Commissions Secretary

  
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Chairperson Quiroga