

**CITY OF FONTANA  
PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
May 26, 2016**

The City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission and Staff met for a workshop at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2016, in the City Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California, prior to the regular meeting to review the agenda, get an overview of Summer Programming, review Co-Sponsorships, and discuss Commission Tour of Facilities.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chairperson Espinoza, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Rowland, and Commissioner Tigner, were present.

Absent: Commissioner Bravo and Commissioner Vaquera

The regular meeting of the City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission was held on Thursday, May 26, 2016, in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, Fontana, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairperson Espinoza, followed by an Invocation given by Pastor Casey and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Rowland.

Staff: Community Services Director Garth Nelson; Parks and Landscape Manager Dan West, Community Services Manager Aaron Orozco; Community Services Manager Jennifer Hunt; Community Services Manager Michael Wright; Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock; Community Services Supervisor Jamie Bumia; City Clerk Tonia Lewis and Commission Secretary Ysela Aguirre.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

**A. NEW EMPLOYEE WELCOME - TIFFANY STARKS**

Community Services Supervisor Tiffany Starks introduced Martin Gutierrez who provided the Commission with a history of his experience in community services.

Community Services Manager Michael Wright spoke on the vigorous process Martin went through to get hired by the City of Fontana.

**B. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH & SPECIAL RECOGNITION - TIFFANY STARKS**

The City of Fontana recognized Oscar Chavez as the Employee of the Month.

Fontana Community Senior Center member, Roland Allen "Bo" thanked Oscar Chavez for saving his life when he was choking at the Fontana Community Senior Center.

Oscar appreciated the recognition.

**C. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING COMMISSIONER**

The Parks and Community Services Commission recognized former Commissioner Samuel Casey for his service to the Parks and Community Services Commission.

Commissioner Casey thanked the Parks and Community Services Commission and the City Council for the opportunity to serve on the Commission.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:**

None.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**A. APPROVAL OF JOINT MEETING MINUTES:**

Approve Minutes of the March 24, 2016, Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting.

**B. PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS-PARKS AND LANDSCAPE DIVISION-MONTHLY REPORT**

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Rowland, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and passed by a vote of 4-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items "A-B".

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

By consensus, the order of New Business items was reorganized, Item A will be Item C.

**A. Summer Lunch Program/Let's Move Outside Preview - Jamie Bumia**

Community Services Coordinator Jamie Bumia provided a preview of the Summer Lunch Program and Let's Move Outside Program.

The Summer Lunch Program is a partnership between The City of Fontana, Community Services Department and the Fontana Unified School District (FUSD) to provide free lunches to the community's youth, ages 18 and under. All meals meet and exceed the State of California SB-12 School Nutrition Standard and are grant funded by the USDA.

Since the summer of 2014, the City of Fontana piloted the "Let's Move Outside" program to complement the Summer Lunch Program as part of the Healthy Fontana initiative.

The program takes place during the summer months.

The 2016 Summer Lunch Program will be held at the following nineteen (19) locations: Bill Martin Park, Boys & Girls Club of Fontana; Fontana Park; Jack Bulik Park; Martin Tudor Park; Miller Park; North Tamarind Park; Seville Park; Southridge Park; Veteran's Park; Beech Elementary School; Juniper Elementary School; Primrose Elementary School; Redwood Elementary School; A.B. Miller High School, 6821 Oleander Avenue; Fontana High School; Jurupa Hills High School; Kaiser High School; and Summit High School.

The "Let's Move Outside" Program will begin Monday, June 6, 2016, and will continue through July 29, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Jack Bulik, Monday- Friday; Miller Park, Mondays; North Tamarind Park, Tuesdays; Bill Martin Park, Wednesdays; Seville Park, Thursdays; and Veteran's Park, Fridays.

For more information on the "Let's Move Outside" Program, call 909.349.6984 and for the Seamless Summer Food Program, please call 909.357.5160 or at [www.fusd.net](http://www.fusd.net).

Discussion was held on the new sites added this year.

#### **B. Teen Programs Mid-Year Update - Jamie Bumia**

Community Services Coordinator Jamie Bunia provided a mid-year update on the Community Services Department Teen Programs.

The Community Services Department provides a wide-range of offerings for teens, ensuring that our youth have access to safe, exciting, and innovative programs. Some mid-year events held include the following:

- Flag Football Game at the Jack Bulik Center pavilion with 22 participants who enjoyed playing and a BBQ after the game on February 6, 2016;
- The Fontana Mayor's Youth Advisory Council coordinated the 4th Annual Teen Summit for an estimated 600 youth and adults at Summit High School, on Saturday, February 21, 2015,
- An excursion to see the Los Angeles Lakers play at Staples Center on March 4, 2016, with a total of 15 teens.
- "Spring Break Teen Break" camp with activities designed as a sneak peek to upcoming excursion based summer camp.
- Classes and services at Jessie Turner and Heritage centers to keep teens involved in an active, healthy lifestyle. Over 700 teens per month compete in pick-up basketball games after school and on the weekends. The computer labs provide students with the opportunity to complete homework assignments and conduct research for college.
- Fontana Teen Camp will take place at the Don Day Neighborhood Center.
- The Fontana Aquatics team will be hosting two special events for middle school and high school teens. The Summer Party Factor event at Heritage Pool on Saturday, June 11, 2016, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. and the Mid-Summer Madness event at Martin Tudor Splash Park on Saturday, July 9, 2016, 6:00 to 10:00

p.m.

- The Jack Bulik Center is closed for renovations and is expected to re-open in the fall of 2016.

For more information on our Teen Programs, please call 909-349-6900 or visit us on the web at [www.youth.fontana.org](http://www.youth.fontana.org)

Commissioner Coleman is excited to see the renovations at Jack Bulik Teen Center.

**C. Special Events 2016 Calendar Review – Rob Bock**

Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock provided a report on special events conducted in April 2016:

- April 1, 2016, Fontana Car Show at City Hall. The second car show had 300 participants and 60 classic custom, low riders, and muscle cars. The band Road Dogs provided entertainment.
- April 21, 2016, CAP Resource Fair at Jessie Turner Health & Fitness Center. Water of Life co-sponsored this event with the Community Assistance Program. Representatives from over 68 community assistance organizations serviced over 350 residents from toddlers to seniors who attended.

Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock provided a review of upcoming events as follows:

- June 2-5, 2016, Fontana Days Festival at Veterans Park, Sponsored by Fontana Exchange Club
- June 4, 2016, Fontana Days Run at City Hall. There will be over 2,000 participants.
- June 4, 2016, Fontana Days Parade, on Sierra Avenue from Arrow to Merrill. This event is sponsored by the Fontana Exchange Club.
- June 9, 2016, Summer Concerts Series at Miller Park with a Sgt. Pepper Beatles tribute band providing entertainment.
- June 11, 2016, Miss Fontana Pageant at Fontana High School. This is a co-sponsorship event with the Fontana Rotary Club. There were over 480 applicants to participate.
- June 16, 2016, Summer Concerts Series at Miller Park with the band Soto providing entertainment.
- June 23, 2016, Summer Concerts Series at Miller Park with the Blue Breeze Band providing entertainment.
- June 30, 2016, Summer Concerts Series at Miller Park with the Swing Kings Band providing entertainment.

Supervisor Bock encouraged residents to pick up a “Passport to Adventure” book and get it stamped 5 times at community events to participate in a raffle.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tigner, seconded by Commissioner Rowland, and passed by a vote of 4-0 to approve New Business Items A, B, and C.

**D. Co-Sponsorships For Fiscal Year 2016-17 - Rob Bock**

Community Services Supervisor Rob Bock provided a report on current co-sponsorship procedures and organizations that submitted co-sponsorship requests for activities taking place July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

There were 21 eligible applications received during the February 2016 request period. Four requesting the use of facilities while the remaining seventeen requesting assistance with community events.

Funding for co-sponsorships in the amount of \$37,500 will be proposed to City Council in the 16/17 fiscal year budget.

Staff recommends the Parks and Community Services Commission review and evaluate the requesting applications; approve or deny each requesting application and/or in-kind city subsidy outlined per application; and prioritize the requests from highest to lowest to best inform the City Council for their consideration.

Phil Cothran spoke on the Miss Fontana Pageant. He appreciates that the Miss Fontana Pageant is on the list, but noticed it has dropped on the list. He spoke on the pageant being a leadership program that begins with hours spent recruiting, teaching the participants to speak, etiquette classes, and helping build future leaders. They are requesting funding of only 1.4% of the overall budget, they need the relationship with the City of Fontana. Miss Fontana will attend over 100 events during the year with the Mayor and City Council, she is the face of Fontana. There is a \$10,000 college scholarship divided up amongst the queen and her court. He thanked the Parks and Community Services Commission for recommending sponsorship of the pageant.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Commissioner Tigner had no comments.

Commissioner Coleman spoke on taking a long hard look at the requests and as a taxpayer, she looked at how many people were being served and the amount of money being allocated; most of the programs were up to par, with some asking for \$78 and servicing 200 people. She would like to see a better participation of the Black History Parade for the amount they are asking for (\$7,000). She is concerned that we have the same conversation every year. She would like to see the Parks and Community Services Commission work with the Concerned Citizens of North Fontana to find a way to make it a more successful event. She spoke on the Expo being a great event, but there were a lot of complaints about the streets being closed in North Fontana.

Commissioner Rowland had no comments.

Commissioner Espinoza agreed with Commissioner Coleman and spoke on the Black History Parade not being well participated; she offered to help if there is anything she can do. The expo was wonderful, she loved the vendors, the tacos, and the drinks; but the parade was not.

Commissioner Rowland spoke on the Black History Parade being needed, but it needs to be more organized and better attended; she will not support funding at \$4,000, and prefers the focus be on the Expo until someone comes forward and makes this a more successful event.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Espinoza, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and passed by a vote of 3-1 with Commissioner Rowland opposing to recommend the City Council approve twenty-one Co-Sponsorship applications for fiscal year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 totaling an amount of \$39,247, for all of the events to be funded as recommended, with an adjustment to the funding for the Black History Parade.

Commissioner Coleman is pleased to see that some new people were added to the list and is excited to see that the Hope Through Housing and National Care is hosting some meals for seniors.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **A. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Tigner is glad to be back.

Commissioner Tigner is looking forward to the Fontana Days events.

Commissioner Rowland welcomed new Commissioner Quintana.

Commissioner Rowland spoke on not ranking any of the events in the Co-Sponsorship applications.

Commissioner Rowland spoke on the Relay for Life being held on May 14-15, 2016, and \$60,000 was raised; money will be collected through the end of August.

Commissioner Rowland is looking forward to the Miss Fontana Scholarship Pageant; she has been a part of it and has seen the difference it makes in the girls' lives. She thanked the Parks and Community Services Commissioner for their co-sponsorship.

Commissioner Coleman recommended the Jungle Book event; she attended and it was a wonderful event.

Commissioner Coleman presented some scholarships at Kaiser High School with over \$2.2 million being awarded.

Commissioner Coleman attended the Beyond the Limits Prom and had a great time. It is an incredible journey for families with special needs children.

Commissioner Coleman shared a personal story to "Pick the happiest day of your life." Which made her think of lots of happiest days of her life.

Commissioner Coleman is excited for Fontana Days.

Chairperson Espinoza is looking forward to the Fontana Days.

Chairperson Espinoza congratulated the Fontana Forward Art Contest participants.

Chairperson Espinoza welcomed new Commissioner Quintana.

Chairperson Espinoza congratulated all of the high school graduates.

Chairperson Espinoza presented a scholarship at Summit High School.

Chairperson Espinoza congratulated Amber and Chase on completing their first year of college.

Chairperson Espinoza invited everyone to the GPAC meetings on June 11, 2016, and July 9, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Art Depot.

Chairperson Espinoza welcomed Matt Slowik and Jesse Armendariz from the Fontana School Board to the meeting.

Chairperson Espinoza congratulated all students receiving awards and wished all of the graduates good luck.

## **A. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT COMMENTS**

City Clerk Tonia Lewis thanked Public Works for the recent jobs they have done at the Rose Garden; concrete sidewalks were added for easy wheelchair access and curbs to avoid the run off. The minute she asked for help, they came out.

City Clerk Lewis thanked Jack Long and the Foundation of Hope for their donation to maintain the Rose Garden.

City Clerk Lewis welcomed Roberto Quintana to the Commission.

Chairperson Espinoza thanked Kathrine for the work on the Fontana Forward contest.

Community Services Director Nelson spoke on the recruitment of young part time staff who deliver the service and are the key for the Parks and Community Services

Commission.

Director Nelson spoke on summer camps about to begin and the lifeguards are diligently trained and create safe environments for the aquatics program.

Director Nelson spoke on all after school programs being closed and transitioning to the new school year.

Director Nelson welcomed new Commissioner Quintana.

Community Services Manager Jennifer Hunt reminded everyone of all the things to do from June 2 to June 5, 2016, with the Fontana Days Festival.

Manager Hunt spoke on the June 9 summer concert.

Manager Hunt reminded everyone to pick up their adventure passport.

Manager Hunt encouraged everyone to be engaged.

Manager Hunt invited everyone to check the options for things to do in the Community Services brochure.

Community Services Manager Aaron Orozco praised the after school program staff that concluded yesterday; there were over 3,000 students, over 200 part time employees and 5 full time employees throughout the year.

Manager Orozco thanked the Commissioners for the compliments on the Above the Limits event; they will be holding their Summer Kick Off BBQ on Friday, May 27, 2016, at Cypress Neighborhood Center.

Manager Orozco spoke on some spots still available for the summer camps for youth.

Manager Orozco spoke on skate nights at Fontana Park in the Sports Pavilion on June 8, through July 27, 2016; at 6:00 p.m.

Community Services Manager Michael Wright congratulated all of the graduates.

Manager Wright spoke on the pools opening on Saturday, May 28, 2016; page 8 of the Community Services brochure provides all of the recreation swim hours at Fontana Park, Don Day, Heritage, Miller Pool, and Martin Tudor Splash Park.

Manager Wright spoke on drownings of 1 to 14 year olds and encouraged everyone to have safe procedures when around bodies of water and to get swim lessons for kids. The City of Fontana provides swim lesson and information is available on pages 6 & 7 of the brochure.



Manager Wright congratulated Oscar for being selected Employee of the Month, he is an exceptional person. All staff are trained on CPR and First Aid. Encouraged everyone to get training. Classes will be available in the fall.

Commissioner Coleman spoke on the happiest day in her life was when her grandson was born; he graduates next week and will go into the marines. She wished him well.

Director Nelson welcomed Commissioner Tigner back.


Chairperson Espinoza spoke on inspecting your vehicles before you drive.

Chairperson Espinoza wished everyone an enjoyable summer.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. to the next Regular Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting on Thursday, June 23, 2016, 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 located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

  
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Ysela Aguirre  
Boards and Commissions Secretary

  
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