

**CITY OF FONTANA
PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
June 23, 2016**

The City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission and Staff met for a workshop at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 23, 2016, in the City Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California, prior to the regular meeting to review the agenda, discuss the Commissioner Oath of Office, receive a Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget and the Three-Month Commission Calendar and review Commission Service Assignments

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Commissioner Vaquera

The regular meeting of the City of Fontana Parks and Community Services Commission was held on Thursday, June 23, 2016, in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, Fontana, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairperson Espinoza, followed by an Invocation given by Pastor Kim Rivas, Templo De Dios and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ricardo Quintana.

Staff: Community Services Director Garth Nelson; Parks and Landscape Supervisor Armando Martinez; Community Services Manager Aaron Orozco; Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples; Community Services Manager Michael Wright; Community Services Supervisor Geneo Ferrar; Clerk Tonia Lewis and Commission Secretary Ysela Aguirre.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. COMMISSIONER OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk Tonia Lewis administered the Oath of Affirmation of Office Allegiance newly appointed Parks and Community Services Commissioner Ricardo Quintana.

B. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The City of Fontana recognized Ana Casillas as the Employee of the Month.

C. EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

The City of Fontana recognized the Special Needs Team as the Employees of the Month; present tonight were Community Services Supervisor Karen Gerber; Community Services Coordinator Christina Enriquez; Community Services Coordinator Tara Savage; Community Services Coordinator Michael Strickland;

Community Services Coordinator Doug Johnson; Community Services Assistant Gloria Aragon; Community Services Assistant Andrew Smith; Community Services Assistant T'Marii Lopez; Community Services Assistant Will Hollis.

D. PROCLAMATION: JULY IS PARKS & RECREATION MONTH

Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples announced that the Fontana City Council will issue a proclamation at the City Council meeting on June 28, 2016, in support of Parks and Recreation Month.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Approve Minutes of the April 28, 2016, Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting.

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

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Rowland, and passed by a vote of 6-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items "A-B".

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Special Events Update – Kristy Samples

Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples provided a report on special events conducted in May 2016:

- **Relay for Life, May 14-15, 2016, Summit High School.** This year's event raised over \$64,000 for the American Cancer Society; it has raised over one million dollars over the past sixteen years. This is a co-sponsorship event with the Fontana Unified School District.

Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples provided a review of upcoming events as follows:

- July 1, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fontana Car Show, City Hall

- July 4, 2016, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., 4th of July Event, Fontana High School. Tickets on sale \$4 per person at Community Services Department; Community Centers and at Concerts in the Park
- July 7, 2016, Summer Concert Series, Miller Park. Class of '69 will be performing.
- July 14, 2016, Summer Concert Series, Miller Park. Brenton Wood and Rose Royce will be performing.
- July 21, 2016, Summer Concert Series, Miller Park. Neon Nation will be performing.
- July 28, 2016, Summer Concert Series, Miller Park. Contemporary Praise Concert.
- July 30, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Sunset on Sierra in conjunction with the Arts Festival, Sierra Avenue from Spring Street to Orange Avenue.

Commissioner Rowland commented that Relay For Life has almost reached its fundraising goal of \$70,000.

Discussion was held on the Sunset on Sierra event that will have food trucks, activities, and vendors with Sierra Avenue being closed down from Upland Avenue to Ceres.

Commissioner Espinoza is excited to see this and will have lots of fun.

Community Services Manager Mike Wright will have a presentation on this event at the next Parks and Community Services Meeting.

B. PEE WEE, YOUTH, & MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS UPDATE

Community Services Supervisor Geneo Ferrar and Community Services Coordinator Vanessa Cortez provided an update on Pee Wee, Youth and Middle School Sports.

The City of Fontana Sports Program's philosophy and mission stated were shared. The benefits of participation in the sports program was shared. Volunteers are an essential part of the sports programs.

The Pee Wee Sports programs are non-competitive, instructional based program offered to children between the ages of 1½ and 7. Programming is offered in Basketball, Soccer and T-Ball.

The Youth Sports programs are focused on teaching sports skills, terminology teamwork, sportsmanship and game strategy for youth 8 to 17 years old. Programming is offered in basketball and roller hockey.

Youth Sports has partnerships with the LA Clippers and Ontario Reign that offers special opportunities for participants.

The Middle School Sports program is a partnership with the Fontana Unified School

District to provide sports programs for middle school students at Alder, Almeria, Fontana, Ruble, Sequoia, Southridge, and Truman. Programming is offered in Volleyball, Basketball, and Soccer.

Participation in Pee Wee, Youth and Middle School Programs has increased from the previous year.

More information is available at 909.428.8864 or at fontana.org

Commissioner Bravo commended staff on the good presentation. He has heard compliments from parents on the way the city operates the sports programs.

Discussion was held on the growth of some sports.

Discussion was held on school pride and all Fontana middle schools participating.

The youth programming schedule will be shared with the Commission for participation in the Clippers and Reign games.

Discussion was held on the Sports Camp expanding this season from four weeks to eight weeks of programming.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Tigner, and passed by a vote of 6-0 to approve New Business Items A-B.

Chairperson Espinoza welcomed Fontana School Board Member Jesse Armendariz to the audience.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Tigner summer is in full swing and the Summer Concert turn outs are phenomenal!

Commissioner Tigner invited the community out and have a great time at the City of Fontana 4th of July event.

Commissioner Tigner congratulated Lindsay Binks and Luke McCullin on their marriage.

Commissioner Coleman spoke on the concerts being great; it's nice to be outdoors in the evening surrounded by thousands of people.

Commissioner Coleman spoke on the successful health fair at Fontana Community Senior Center.

Commissioner Quintana is excited and grateful to be on the Parks and Community Services Commission.

Commissioner Quintana attended the Fontana Days Festival and had a great time; he saw the SMASH unit taking pictures with the children.

Commissioner Bravo welcomed Commissioner Quintana to the Commission and welcomed Mrs. Quintana; he looks forward to working with him.

Commissioner Bravo rented a facility and commended the quality of the service that was delivered by City staff; he thanked Karen Gerber and Taylor Looper for their work at Don Day Community Center.

Commissioner Bravo invited the community out to the City of Fontana 4th of July event.

Commissioner Bravo spoke on the Beatles vs. Stones Summer Concert being awesome.

Commissioner Rowland welcomed Commissioner Quintana to the Parks and Community Services family.

Commissioner Rowland spoke on the Miss Fontana Scholarship Pageant that was held on June 11. She congratulated Miss Fontana Isabel Perez and her sister that won Miss Teen Fontana. She was sponsored by Jesse Armendariz.

Commissioner Rowland invited everyone to purchase their fireworks from the Rotary Club at Mulberry and Foothill.

Commissioner Rowland had an event at the Mary Vagle Nature Center and staff was awesome.

Chairperson Espinoza thanked staff for the Community Services T-shirt.

Chairperson Espinoza had fun at the 5K! Everyone did a fabulous job.

Chairperson Espinoza congratulated all of the employees of the month.

Chairperson Espinoza reminded everyone to be safe on the 4th of July.

Chairperson Espinoza invited everyone to purchase their fireworks from the Kiwanis at the Ralphs in Southridge.

A. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

Community Services Director Garth Nelson thanked the Parks and Community Services Commissioners that have experienced the activities and programs and the great work

staff does. One of the secrets to their success is that they are always looking to improve the event.

Director Nelson encouraged everyone to get out and participate in the programs.

Director Nelson spoke on Jennifer Barcenas from the IT department being amazing, supportive with a quick turnaround; and Armando Martinez and the team that does an amazing landscaping job at the parks and the Pacific Electric Trail.

Community Services Supervisor Kristy Samples invited everyone to buy their 4th of July tickets. There will be live entertainment, food vendors and activities.

Community Services Manager Aaron Orozco spoke on the summer camps being in full swing; there is still some space available.

Manager Orozco invited everyone to Skate Nights every Wednesday.

Manager Orozco spoke on the Above the Limits Summer Kick Off event on Friday, June 24, 2016, at the Cypress Center.

Community Services Manager Michael Wright welcomed Commissioner Quintana to the Parks and Community Services Commission.

Manager Wright spoke on the swim lessons still available.


Manager Wright spoke on the BBQ Lunch at the Fontana Community Senior Center on Friday, June 24, 2016; cost is \$4.

Manager Wright spoke on the Miller Fitness Center renovations.

ADJOURNMENT:

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m. to the next Regular Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting on Thursday, July 28, 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.


Ysela Aguirre
Boards and Commissions Secretary



Chairperson Espinoza