

**CITY OF FONTANA
PARKS, COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 25, 2021**

WORKSHOP

The City of Fontana Parks, Community and Human Services Commission and staff met remotely for a workshop at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, 2020, prior to the regular meeting to review the agenda, Commission Reorganization Process Overview, Service Area Assignments, and Feedback Regarding Public Service Ethics Laws Training.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairperson Ahumada, Commissioner Glass, Commissioner Key, Commissioner McGinnis, and Commissioner Quintana were present.

Absent: None

The regular meeting of the City of Fontana Parks, Community and Human Services Commission was held on Thursday, March 25, 2021, in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairperson Ahumada, followed by an Invocation given by Commissioner McGinnis, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Glass.

Staff: Community Services Director Garth Nelson; Community Services Manager Michael Wright; Community Services Manager Daniel Schneider; Community Services Manager Kristy Samples; Public Works Manager Dan West; Community Services Coordinator Jordan Gionet; and Senior Administrative Aide Harriet Myers.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. PROCLAMATION: ARBOR DAY, MARCH 10, 2021 - DANIEL SCHNEIDER

Community Services Coordinator Jordan Gionet shared a video of an Arbor Day Celebration at the Mary Vagle Nature Center.

Coordinator Gionet presented the Arbor Day Proclamation to Public Works Manager, Dan West.

B. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING COMMISSIONERS – CHAIR

The Parks, Community and Human Services Commission recognized former Commissioners Vaquera, Jones, Gordon, and Johnson.

Former Commissioner Gordon accepted his recognition and thanked the Commission, staff, and the community for their support.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the February 25, 2021, Parks, Community and Human Services Commission Meetings.

B. PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS-PARKS AND LANDSCAPE DIVISION

Approve February 2021 activities report.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Quintana, seconded by Commissioner Key, and passed by a vote of 5-0-0 to approve the Consent Calendar. (AYES: Ahumada, Glass, Key, McGinnis, Quintana; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT ESSENTIAL SERVICES UPDATE – COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT MANAGERS WRIGHT, SCHNEIDER, AND SAMPLES

Community Services Manager Wright provided an update on Healthy Fontana, Fontana Walks, facility usage, Fontana Community Senior Center, Above the Limits, and virtual classes.

Healthy Fontana continues its collaboration with the Fontana Expanded Learning Program at twenty-eight elementary schools, five middle schools and three Learning Centers to focus on “Self-Care” that includes exercise, nutrition and well-being to maintain a healthy lifestyle. The Healthy Fontana Newsletter is distributed to 3,202 recipients.

The Fontana Walks program is close to reaching 9.5 billion steps. The program is designed to get everyone walking at least 5,000 steps per day with a goal of reaching 10,000 steps per day. This is a free and impact free exercise to get people to get their daily exercise. Registered participants are eligible to receive prizes and incentives. In

support of the American Heart Association, Fontana Walks will participate in the Heart and Stroke Walk on April 9, 2021, to raise money and awareness.

COVID 19 testing is available at the Jessie Turner Health and Fitness Center Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and at Jack Bulik Neighborhood Center Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The City of Fontana Senior Programming has continued providing the Nutrition Program to about 420 seniors daily. The Transportation Program continues to provide transportation to doctor appointments, dialysis, and grocery stores. Staff continues staying in communication with seniors. Drive up Bingo, Take Home Crafts, and virtual meet ups continue to lift spirits and keep seniors engaged. In collaboration with San Bernardino County, a vaccination event was held on March 6, 2021, with 175 seniors receiving their first dose and returning on March 27, 2021, for their second dose.

Above the Limits, provided virtual programming to 46 participants in February that included a dance party, a Valentine's Day craft, and an art activity with an Art Depot guest. April 28, 2021, members will be participating in the Fontana Unified School District's Special Education Advisory Resources Virtual Event.

Virtual recreational classes offer opportunities for all ages and abilities to participate in arts classes, adult Zumba, martial arts, ballet, and educational opportunities. There were 90 participants in February in ballet, yoga, gymnastics, art and financial preparation.

Community Services Manager Kristy Samples provided an update on Fontana Arts, the Fontana Expanded Learning Program, and meal distribution.

Fontana Arts' At Home Edition has provided Tiny Tots Paint Nights, Youth Paint Night, Imagination Studio, LEAP outreach, and Above the Limits outreach. There were six art programs offered with 264 points of contact in February. The Above the Limits programming had 14 participants; the Imagination Studio programming had 198 participants at Dorothy Grant Elementary School and 22 participants at Wayne Ruble Middle School. The Virtual Talent Show will be held soon for any type of art or performance medium.

In partnership with the Fontana Unified School District (FUSD), the Fontana Expanded Learning Program provides homework support; health and wellness education, STEAM Activities (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math), Leading Education Art Program Lessons (LEAP), physical fitness and health and wellness activities. FELP also provides support to FUSD, Fontana Boys and Girls Club, School/Principal/Teacher services support, Participant/Family one on one support services, English Learner support, Foster Youth and McKinney Vento support, and FUSD Grab & Go Meal distribution support. In February, there were over 10,000 in virtual programming attendance; over 500 in attendance at the Learning Center; and

over 4,000 calls to participants; and the Grab & Go Meal program served over 58,000 community youth and over 1.6 million meals.

Community Services Manager Daniel Schneider provided an update on Fields and Parks, Fontana Park Aquatic Center, and Marketing Communications.

There were over 180 field use permits and over 2,600 hours of use in February. The numbers are expected to increase with restrictions being lifted next month. Park Monitors average 20 park visits per day, with work order requests, and service calls by user groups.

The Fontana Park Aquatic Center is popular with 89% capacity numbers expected to increase with restrictions being lifted next month.

In April, the Community Services Department posted 42 social media posts, with over 7,000 engagements. KFON continues to be busy with the Mayor's Monday Videos and City Weekly Updates and programming coverage throughout the City.

Discussion was held on the expected opening of the Senior and Recreation Centers.

Discussion was held on the anticipated opening of community pools.

Discussion was held on extending the time to register for programming online.

Discussion was held on basketball hoops being put up.

Director Nelson spoke on COVID testing and vaccination in collaboration with San Bernardino County.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Key, seconded by Commissioner McGinnis, and passed by a vote of 5-0-0 to accept and file the staff report. (AYES: Ahumada, Glass, Key, McGinnis, Quintana; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

B. PUBLIC WORKS PARKS PROJECTS UPDATE DAN WEST - ORAL REPORT

Public Works Manager Dan West provided a Public Works Parks Projects Update.

Manager West reported that the basketball hoops are up at all park courts; improvements have been made to some courts including resurfacing, new paint, and new lines. Sycamore Hills is next with the backboards.

Manager West thanked Community Services Manager Daniel Schneider for providing the Central City Park update last month. Central Park is looking good with some final details still being worked out before an opening date can be set.

Manager West reported that the South Fontana Sports Park \$5 million grant

application has been submitted to the State of California Parks Division with a decision for approval in September or October.

Manager West spoke on working with the park lighting manufacturer and contractor on concerns of the failures of the lights due to the winds; all park lighting will be reinstalled with redesigned fixtures.

Manager West spoke on being aware of the park shade structures and canopies being affected by the heavy winds; they are working on replacing them.

Discussion was held on how staff became aware of the wind damaged shade structures.

Discussion was held on how long it will take to revise the Park and Landscape report to be standardized and more transparent.

Discussion was held on inspections to hold contractors accountable.

Discussion was held on the service contracts process.

Discussion was held on changes to the Fontana Access App to allow for a picture to show a reported issue was resolved.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Key, seconded by Commissioner McGinnis, and passed by a vote of 5-0-0 to accept and file the staff report. (AYES: Ahumada, Glass, Key, McGinnis, Quintana; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

C. ANNUAL COMMISSION REORGANIZATION - GARTH NELSON

Community Services Director Garth Nelson discussed the Annual Commission Reorganization and the appointment of Commission Chair, Commission Vice-Chair, and Commission Secretary.

ACTION: Nomination was made by Commissioner Quintana, seconded by Commissioner Glass, and passed by a vote of 5-0-0 to appoint Commissioner Ahumada as Chairperson of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission. (AYES: Ahumada, Glass, Key, McGinnis, Quintana; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

ACTION: Nomination was made by Commissioner Ahumada, seconded by Commissioner Glass, and passed by a vote of 5-0-0 to appoint Commissioner McGinnis as Vice Chairperson of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission. (AYES: Ahumada, Glass, Key, McGinnis, Quintana; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

ACTION: Nomination was made by Commissioner Quintana, seconded by Commissioner Glass, and passed by a vote of 5-0-0 to appoint Commissioner Key as Secretary of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission. (AYES: Ahumada, Glass, Key,

McGinnis, Quintana; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Key congratulated the newly appointed officers of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Commissioner Key thanked Commissioner Quintana for the nomination of Secretary of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Commissioner Key commended Manager Wright, Senior Center staff and San Bernardino County for their work on the Vaccination Fair held on March 6, 2021.

Commissioner Key enjoyed the remodeling at the Fontana Community Senior Center.

Commissioner Key encouraged everyone to be active to avoid health issues.

Commissioner Quintana congratulated the newly appointed officers of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Commissioner Quintana spoke on the fields being in safe conditions after the winds.

Commissioner Quintana thanked staff for their reports.

Commissioner Glass congratulated the newly appointed officers of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Commissioner Glass thanked the City Attorney for the training and all of the information provided.

Commissioner Glass thanked City staff for all of the work that they do.

Commissioner Glass spoke on donating blood during the Blood Drive.

Commissioner Glass spoke on visiting the parks in the City.

Commissioner Glass thanked the Commissioners for sharing information with her.

Commissioner McGinnis congratulated Manager Wright for his work at the Senior Center.

Commissioner McGinnis thanked Manager West for meeting with him and congratulated him on his son's acceptance to Baylor.

Commissioner McGinnis encouraged everyone to get active.

Commissioner McGinnis thanked the Commission for his appointment to Vice Chairperson of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Chair Ahumada thanked staff for all their effort in everything they do.

Chair Ahumada thanked the Commission for her appointment to Chairperson of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

A. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT COMMENTS/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

Community Services Director Nelson spoke on being active for better health.

Director Nelson thanked Manager Samples for joining the meeting.

Director Nelson is excited about the COVID numbers going down and encouraged everyone to continue following safety protocols.

Director Nelson spoke on the transition back to delivering services and programs and the dynamics involved with reopening.

Director Nelson invited the public and the Commissioners to reach out to him if they would like to meet.

Director Nelson commended the teams working to provide services to the public.

Community Services Manager Wright commended Chairperson Ahumada on serving her first year as Chairperson and congratulated her on being reappointed to the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission Meetings.

Manager Wright congratulated Commissioner McGinnis and Commissioner Key on their appointments to the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission Meetings.

Manager Wright thanked the Commissioners for their appreciation of his work, but shared that the commendation was owed to staff and San Bernardino County for their organization of the vaccination clinic.

Manager Wright encouraged everyone to visit Healthy Fontana for health and wellness resources.

Manager Wright spoke on the Spring Virtual Camp that was held and commended staff on their work.

Community Services Manager Schneider congratulated the newly appointed officers of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Manager Schneider thanked the former Parks, Community and Human Services Commission Meetings Commissioners for a job well done.

Manager Schneider spoke on the St. Patrick's Day Bingo Event that had 25 families participated; and commended Bianca for her work on the great event.

Manager Schneider spoke on the Drive-Through Easter Event at Fontana Park on Saturday, April 3, 2021.

Manager Schneider commended Jordan for his work on the Arbor Day Event.

Community Services Manager Samples congratulated the newly appointed officers of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Manager Samples thanked the former Commissioners of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Manager Samples spoke on the upcoming details of the Fontana Arts Virtual Talent Show.

Manager Samples commended the Sergio Barragan and the FELP program for the amazing after school program virtually along with the Fontana Unified School District and the Boys and Girls Club.

Public Works Manager Dan West congratulated the newly appointed officers of the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission.

Manager West thanked Director Nelson and staff for the Arbor Day Presentation.

ADJOURNMENT:

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. to the next Regular Parks, Community and Human Services Commission Meeting on Thursday, April 22, 2021. A Workshop will be held at 6:30 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. (Due to the evolving situation with the COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus and the health recommendations for social distancing from the Center for Disease Control (CDC)): THE CITY OF FONTANA PARKS, COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 22, 2021, AT 7:00PM SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC REMOTELY.

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THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE PARKS, COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION ON THE 22nd DAY OF APRIL 2021.

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