



PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 12, 2021
5:30 PM – Regular Meeting
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
400 N. Douty St.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Joseph Castaneda		Present	
Gregory Kelley		Present	
Cheyne Strawn		Present	
Carolyn Hudgins		Absent	
Jim Castleman		Present	
Paul Rodarmel		Present	

FLAG SALUTE

Flag salute was led by Commissioner Kelley.

PUBLIC COMMENT

*This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters not on the agenda and that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. This is also the public's opportunity to request an item from the Consent Calendar be pulled for discussion purposes or to comment on any item on the agenda. A maximum of **three minutes** is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.*

Mickey Stoddard, Lou Martinez, and Bob Ramos, City of Hanford residents, expressed their concerns against the proposed fees for using the Longfield Center.

Scott Pederson, a San Diego resident, informed the Commission of his future events at Civic Park.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Strawn asked Director Albert to clarify the concerns from the Hanford residents on the membership fees.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made and then the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar to be discussed and voted upon by a separate motion.

a. Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting held June 14, 2021

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cheyne Strawn
SECONDER:	Jim Castleman
AYES:	Castaneda, Kelley, Strawn, Castleman, Rodarmel
ABSENT:	Hudgins

DIVISION UPDATES

a. Recreation Division Updates

Supervisor da Silva gave the Commission an update on the Recreation Division.

Ongoing

- * Aerobics, Water Aerobics, Lap Swim, and Zumba classes are still being offered monthly
- * Softball Complex Tournaments are still active
- * Summer Day Camp is still in session
- * Food Truck Takeover six food trucks are active at this monthly event
- * Movies in the Park July 16th - Onward (Hidden Valley Park)/July 30th - Tom and Jerry the Movie (Civic Park)/ August 7th - The Croods, A New Age (Centennial Park)
- * Dive in theater July 9th - The Lion King and July 23rd - Toy Story 4
- * Freddie the Fire Truck back in service at the Grand Opening of Raising Cane's
- * Swim Lessons have been a success and will continue thru the beginning of August
- * Cooling Center (Longfield Center) July 8th through July 13th, 1:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

b. Parks Division Updates

Senior Parks Maintenance Worker Willie Johnson gave the Commission an update on the Parks Division.

- * Coe Park new soccer field
- * Coe Park and Hanford Plunge Beautification Project
- * Hidden Valley Park Memorial Bench installed
- * Hidden Valley Park mainline repair
- * Oaktree clean up
- * Centennial Park Horseshoe pit renovation & expansion

c. Facilities Division Updates

Director Albert updated the Commission on the Facilities Division.

- * Freddie the Fire Truck awing will be installed soon and available to go into service by July 6th.
- * Custodians - Prepared for trained for safety procedures POST COVID-19

- * Building and Planning office conversion from plans closet
- * Recreation front office improvements
- * Civic Auditorium porch light upgrades
- * Carnegie Library Building - working on irrigation and code requirements solutions.

d. Director Updates

Director Albert updated the Commission on the Department.

- * Two Recreation Coordinators and Parks and Facilities Manager will start July 26th
- * Hanford's Winter Wonderland - November 20th, 2021, through January 9th, 2022
- * City of Hanford's 130th Birthday Celebration - July 29th, 30th, 31st at Civic Park
- * Peoples Ditch Trail Project - Identifying funding sources
- * American Rescue Plan - Investments in outdoor space (Chapter 2.18)

There was some discussion.

GENERAL BUSINESS

a. Update on Prop 68 Grant Application

Director Albert updated the Commission on Prop 68 Grant Application

- * Site visit on July 7th
- * Award notification is expected early September

b. Update on Active Transportation Plan

Director Albert gave the Commission an update on the Active Transportation Plan

COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS OF INTEREST

Commissioner Castaneda thanked all residents who spoke at Public Comments and asked a few questions regarding concerts in the park.

Commissioner Rodarmel was concerned regarding the financial assistance program and possible fishing program. Supervisor da Silva answered any questions on the financial assistance program.

Chair Commissioner Kelley thanked staff for all their hard work.

Future Agenda Items

- * Hidden Valley Pond Flint Epps
- * Hanford Youth Football field usage

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Commissioner Kelley adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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