Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting
Minutes
February 12, 2024 5:30 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chair Commissioner Scott called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Excused:
Joseph Castaneda James Castleman Carolyn Hudgins Gregory Kelley Judy Scott	Sheldon Blackwell

INVOCATION:

Pastor Thomas L. King

Led by Pastor Thomas L. King

FLAG SALUTE:

Flag salute was led by Vice-Chair Scott

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.

None.

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.

Motion to

RESULT:	**(UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER:	Gregory Kelley
SECONDER:	Joseph Castaneda
AYES:	Kelley, Castaneda, Hudgins, Scott

A. Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting held January 8, 2024

DIVISION UPDATES:

A. Parks Division Updates

- Helping Hands update
- EFJ Playground update

Parks Manager Winebrenner provided the updates for the commission.

B. Recreation Division Updates

- Food Truck Takeover: March - May held on first and third Tuesday of every month from 11:30 am-1:30 pm.
- Spring Camp - March 25-29
- Free Easter Egg Hunt - March 29 10:00 am-2:00 pm at Civic Park
- Plunge - Opens in June with new extended hours. Currently recruiting for lifeguards.

Recreation Coordinator Brittany Parreira provided the recreation division updates and answered questions.

C. Director Updates

- Longfield Center Programming

Council directed staff to continue existing programming and gave approval to install a gym divider

- Hanford Boys & Girls Club

Soft opening with students. Transportation in partnership with KART. Rebranding to the Hanford Innovation Lab. Grand Opening March 16th.

- YAC Restroom/Concession Building
- Winter Wonderland Final Report to Council on February 20th
- Hardscaping of the Civic Park center rectangle (ARPA Funds)
- Partnership with Paty's Studio to offer youth dance classes
- Digital Activity Guide

Director Albert provided the updates and answered questions from the commission.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. Review Street Tree Permit Request for Removal of one tree located at 1352 W Ambassador Way.

Parks Manager Winebrenner presented the Street Tree Permit Request to the commission. The commission approved the property owners request to remove one tree.

Motion to Approve
RESULT: Passed (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER:	Castaneda
SECONDER:	Kelley
AYES:	Castaneda, Kelley, Hudgins, Scott

B. Park of the Month

Parks Manager Winebrenner introduced the commission to the Park of the Month item and the features of it.

C. Analysis of Small Sided Soccer Options

What is it?

- Small-sided soccer is played with fewer players than traditional soccer.
- It is played in a smaller space and has dasher boards surrounding the field.
- Typical games are 5 on 5, or 7 on 7

Typical Field Sizes

- 30 x 50
- 50 x 90
- 70 x 110

Benefits:

- Smaller footprint than traditional soccer
- Provides players with more opportunities to touch the ball
- Serves both youth and adults
- Excellent for teaching youth the basics of soccer
- Typically played on artificial turf field
- Can be played year-round

Costs:
The cost estimate for a 65’ x 42’ small-sided soccer field is approximately $102,958 (includes lighting and infill)

Maintenance Costs:
Depending on the type of surface, amount of use, level of play, and local climate.

Grants and Funding Opportunities:

- US Soccer Foundation
- Sponsorships
- Crowdfunding

Director Albert presented the item. There was some discussion.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

The commission requested that copies of the presentation slides be provided before or days following the meetings.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice-Chair Scott adjourned the meeting at 7:16 pm.