



**Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting
Minutes**

**June 10, 2024 5:30 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.**

CALL TO ORDER:

A. Welcoming of New Alternate Commissioner Santiago Rodriguez

ROLL CALL:

INVOCATION:

Led by Pastor Lori Niles with the Church of the Nazarene

FLAG SALUTE:

Led by Chair Blackwell.

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

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.

No consent items present.

DIVISION UPDATES:

A. Parks and Community Services: Director's Updates

B. Parks Updates-Presented by Parks Manager Levi Winebrenner

Projects:

Plunge startup
EFJ Playground
Softball Irrigation pump
Helping Hands 2024: June 8th canceled. July 13 next date

C. Recreation Updates-Presented by Recreation Coordinator Brittany P.

Youth Dance Class: Open Enrollment, Ages 4-13, Breakdance, Learn it all, Zumba for Kids, \$40 a Month Per Student
Summer Camp: Open Enrollment, 9 Weeks, \$100 Per Week - Scholarships Available
Swim Lessons: Open Enrollment, 5 Groups, Private & Group Lessons
The Plunge: Open Enrollment, Monday–Friday 12pm–4pm 6pm-8:30pm, Weekends 12pm -8:30pm, \$3 Person \$2 Seniors, Military and Handicap
Water Aerobics / Lap Swim: Open Enrollment, June - September Tuesday & Thursday, \$20 Adults \$16 Seniors, Lap Swim 8am -10am, Water Aerobics 8am-9:45am
Movies in the Park: Starting in July, Civic Park, Longfield, Hidden Valley & The Plunge

D. Park Resource Officer Updates

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. Parks and Community Services: Revisiting the Naming of the Freedom Park Playground

March 11, 2024: During Public Comment, the naming of the Freedom Park Playground in honor of Dan Chin was recommended.

April 11, 2024: Item placed onto the Commission Agenda.

May 8, 2024: Commission voted unanimously to name the Freedom Park Playground in honor of Dan Chin.

May 21, 2024: Item placed onto the June 10th City Council Agenda as a Consent Item.

June 4, 2024: Director Albert meets with Kathy Gregory and Chris Soares. Learn about the history of the Freedom Park Playground and request to remove the item based on new information.

June 10, 2024: Commission to revisit this item

- During the planning of Freedom Park, Ms. Soares and Parks and Recreation director Kathy Gregory recommended that the playground be designed to be universally assessable to children of all abilities
- She worked with Little Tikes to design the structure
- She formed the non-profit Endless Dreams Foundation and began to solicit donations from local organizations, service clubs, and private individuals
- Ms. Soares delivered \$100,000 to the City to build the Freedom Park Playground

B. Park of the Month

Coe Park:

- 4.1 Acres, 2.6 acres of greenspace, 60 trees, 14 trash cans vs 17 at Centennial
- 2 Basketball courts, 2 Horseshoe Pits, Splash Pad,
- Large parking lot, Split Dog park, 2 Shelters, 2 playgrounds (2-5 & 5-12) both about 4 years old
- Center with Boys and Girls Club, New camera system.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT: