

**PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES
MEETING OF JANUARY 4, 2024**

Chair Pommier called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.
Chair Pommier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present:	Chair Pommier	Commissioner Graybehl
	Commissioner Daly	Commissioner Peña

Absent:	Vice Chair Gurrola	Commissioner Duncan
	Commissioner Uresti	

Oral Communications – Cathy Capone

Approval of Minutes – Action: Motion was made by Commissioner Peña, Seconded by Commissioner Graybehl, to approve the Minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2023, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence – Tule River Parkway November Report

Reports

1. Report on Council Actions from December 19, 2023:

Authorization to Purchase Park Amenities through CDBG Park Improvement Program Funds- City Council authorized the purchase by negotiation of park amenities recommended by the Commission, and authorized payment for said items upon satisfactory delivery through CDBG Park Improvement Program funds.

2. State of the City Address:

Director Moore provided a recap of the State of the City Address which was given by Mayor Flores on December 1 at Eagle Mountain Casino. Items covered by the Mayor during her Parks and Leisure Services portion included: stats and special events pertaining to the library, how successful the Corporate Games, Freedom Fest, Veterans Day Run and Pioneer Days were, the installation of solar lighting and disc golf tee pads at Murry and Zalud Park, and the upcoming Skatepark improvements and Fourth Street Park and Community Center.

Scheduled Matters

1. Sports Complex

Director Moore introduced the item stating that during past Commission meetings, the Commission has discussed various activities that take place at the Sports Complex currently, and potential future additions. The initial design for the Sports Complex included four softball diamonds to which only two were constructed and present today. City Council authorized \$1,000,000 from ARPA funds for an adult size baseball field in the southeast portion of the Sports Complex.

In the City's 10-year Capital Improvement Project list, the following items are listed as unfunded future projects at the Sports Complex: eastside parking lot, large pavilion, perimeter fencing, lighted trail and eastside restroom/ concession stand. Potential added amenities to the Sports Complex, as expressed during the Parks Master Plan data collection from the public and stakeholders include: large picnic shelter, perimeter trail with amenities including lights, amphitheater, splash pad, pool, community garden and court games (pickleball, tennis).

Staff went on to provide a PowerPoint presentation describing some of the aforementioned potential amenities for the Sports Complex, along with estimated costs. The Commission was asked if they had any additional ideas that they would like to be included in the Parks Master Plan and/or the Capital Improvement Projects list. Commissioner Peña asked for clarification on the splash pad location. Chair Pommier mentioned the importance of connectivity between Eagle Mountain Casino and the future improvements to the Sports Complex to which Director Moore said discussions are underway in how best to achieve that.

Action: Information and discussion.

2. Parks Maintenance Report

Leisure Services Specialist, Amy Graybehl, on behalf of Parks Superintendent Demerath, provided an update to the Commission on recent projects which included: installation of Main Street Christmas lights, Porter Creek/ Creekview Estates slough cleanup, Veterans Park slough cleanup, and encampment cleanups.

Action: Informational item

3. Leisure Activities Report

Leisure Services Specialist, Amy Graybehl, reported on the Leisure activities. The items presented were: Christmas Luncheon, Christmas Home Decorating Contest, New Year's Eve Gala, Virtual Bingo, Shamrock Shameup, Arena Soccer beginning, Youth Basketball and Adult Flag Football in season, Youth Track registration upcoming, Military Banner Program registration ends February 1 and the 2024 Activity Calendar is out.

Action: Informational item

4. Schedule Items for Future Meetings

Director Moore mentioned that on the agenda for February will be an item the Murry Park Pool concession stand license renewal, and possibly other items as they arise.

Action: Scheduling

5. Other Matters of Information

Director Moore expressed gratitude towards the Commissioners for their continued volunteer support and advocacy efforts.

Action: Informational item

Adjournment

Chair Pommier adjourned the meeting at 6:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donnie Moore, Director