



# **NOVEMBER 5, 2024 | 5:00 P.M.** PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

#### CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair David called the meeting to order on Tuesday, November 5, at 5:02 P.M.

# **Members in Attendance:**

Chair John David Vice Chair Melanie Dykstra Board Member Sue McInturf **Board Member Sarah Sharits** Board Member Jegadesan Krishnamurthy Board Member Lynette Bradley

# **Members Absent:**

Board Member James Montgomery

#### **Staff Members:**

Erika Berry, John Sefton, Luke Tasker, Corey Povar, Daisee Vannasap, Tyler Buckley, Becky Kuiper

# **Others Present:**

Garrett Griggs, Kelly Burmeister

# **UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

**Unscheduled Appearance – Kelly Burmeister** 

Ms. Burmeister expressed concerns regarding the use of wood chips as playground ground covering in Mountain View and Price Parks. She highlighted issues related to accessibility, dust, the depth needed for effective fall protection, and potential hazards such as splinters and broken glass.

Vice Chair Dykstra requested that this topic be added to a future agenda. Mr. Sefton advised that Ms. Burmeister would be invited back for further discussion.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Approval of Minutes from the October 1, 2024, Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Vice Chair Dykstra motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Brd. Mem. McInturf. Motion carried 6-0.

2. 2025 Parks & Recreation Meeting Schedule

Vice Chair Dykstra motioned to approve the schedule; seconded by Brd. Mem. Sharits. Motion carried 6-0.

#### BRIEFING

3. Centralized Building Blocks and Youth Camp Programs – Tyler Buckley, Daisee Vannasap

Staff provided an overview of the Building Blocks program (ages 3-5) and the Youth Camp program (ages 5-13). The programs operate different sessions across multiple locations, offering affordable and enriching activities for children. Challenges such as rising costs due to wage increases were discussed, along with efforts to maintain affordability while delivering high-quality programming.

4. Park Naming Policy review – John Sefton

Mr. Sefton reviewed the park naming policy for the new park under development near the intersection of Warner Rd and Dobson Rd. The Board discussed several suggested names. Mr. Sefton noted that feedback would be gathered from the Board, the public, and City Council in the coming months.

5. Bond Sub-Committee Update – John Sefton

Mr. Sefton provided an update on the Bond Sub-Committee's progress, highlighting funding gaps for projects like AJ Chandler Park and Tumbleweed Ranch. Upcoming meetings and site tours will inform recommendations to the Bond Steering Committee in early 2025.

#### **CALENDAR ITEMS**

- Concerts in the Courtyard Series, November 1st and 22nd from 6-8 p.m. at the Community Center
- Military Appreciation Breakfast, November 8, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at the Community Center
- Community Nights at Kyrene del Pueblo
  - o Thankful for All, November 15
  - Jingle Bell Rock, December 20 from 6-8:30 p.m. at Pueblo Middle School
- Sonoran Sunset Series
  - o The Sunpunchers, November 21
  - o What's Left, December 19 from 6-7:30 p.m. at Veterans Oasis Park
- Chandler Fall Tennis Classic Tournament, November 22-24 at the Tennis Center
- Turkey Swim, November 28 from 5:30-7:30 a.m. at Hamilton Aquatic Center

# **ADJOURN**

Vice Chair Dykstra motioned to adjourn; seconded by Brd. Mem. Krishnamurthy. Motion carried 6-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

John David, Chair

Erika Berry, Recreation
Superintendent