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**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
GLENDALE CIVIC CENTER
5750 W. GLENN DR.
GLENDALE, ARIZONA 85301**

**MAY 13, 2024
5:30P.M.**

Parks and Recreation Mission Statement

A partnership of employees and community working together to create a better quality of life for Glendale through the provision of excellent parks, recreational programming, special events, tourism, and neighborhood and community facilities.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Chair Martinez conducted roll call.

Present: Reginald Martinez, Chair
Helena Johnson Bodine, Vice Chair
Dianna Guzman, Commissioner
Marie Nesfield, Member
Bud Zomok, Commissioner
Lauren Snair, Teen Commissioner

Absent: Kathryn Mawby, Commissioner
Tom Traw, Commissioner

Also Present: John Kennedy, Director
Mike Keane, Assistant Director
Manuel Padia, Recreation Administrator
Diane Williams, Program Manager

Attendees: Adam Hawkins, J2 Engineering and Environmental Design

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Minutes of April 8, 2024.

Commissioner Guzman had a correction to the minutes.

Chair Martinez asked for a motion to approve the minutes as corrected.

Motioned by Commissioner Bud Zomok, seconded by Vice Chair Helena Johnson Bodine, to approve the minutes as corrected.

AYE: Chair Reginald Martinez
Vice Chair Helena Johnson Bodine
Commissioner Dianna Guzman
Member Marie Nesfield
Commissioner Bud Zomok
Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair
Other: Commissioner Kathryn Mawby (ABSENT)
Commissioner Tom Traw (ABSENT)

Passed

5. NEW STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

New Assistant Director Mike Keane was introduced. Julian Reyes, the new CIP Project Manager, was not able to attend, but was announced to the Commission.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **INFORMATION: COMMISSION REPORTS**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission members reported on and discussed items they observed while visiting the parks.

- b. **INFORMATION: AQUATICS UPDATE**

Mr. Padia presented information on staffing levels, aquatics schedules, and classes being held.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

- c. **INFORMATION: UPDATE ON RENAMING EL BARRIO PARK**

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Mr. Kennedy presented information on the City Council's direction for renaming El Barrio Park.

- The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission's Recommendation was presented at the City Council Workshop on April 23rd.
- The City Council requested additional information.
- Staff met with organizers to discuss further efforts requested by the City Council.
- Staff will provide the additional petition information to the Commission for recommendation once received from the organizers.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

d. INFORMATION: BONSALL PARK DESIGN REVIEW

Mr. Kennedy introduced Adam Hawkins with J2 Engineering and Environmental Design.

Mr. Hawkins presented an update on the Bonsall Park Master Plan Project.

- Site inventory and analysis
- Recent improvements
- Design concept

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

e. INFORMATION: UPDATE ON HEROES REGIONAL PARK MASTER PLAN PROJECT

Mr. Kennedy presented information for the Heroes Park Ball Field groundbreaking ceremony on Friday, May 17, 2024.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

7. STAFF UPDATES

Mr. Kennedy presented and discussed information with the Commission members.

- Future agenda items
- National Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation - June 25th City Council voting meeting
- Ocotillo District - New Council Member
- Projects update
 - (North) Bonsall Park Master Plan
 - Sahuaro Ranch Park Master Plan
 - Thunderbird Conservation Park Improvements
 - Irrigation and Lighting Projects
 - Heroes Regional Park Groundbreaking

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Commissioner Snair commented on attending the Arbor Day Festival.

Commissioner Guzman commented on attending the Arbor Day Festival and Commissioner Snair's upcoming high school graduation.

Chair Martinez requested an update on replacing smaller play structures, specifically at

Tarrington Ranch Park.

Mr. Kennedy explained the C.I.P. process and voter approval through bond measures to fund future projects.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will be held on June 10, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at the Glendale Civic Center, located at 5750 W. Glenn Dr., Glendale, Arizona, 85301.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair, seconded by Vice Chair Helena Johnson Bodine, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

AYE: Chair Reginald Martinez
Vice Chair Helena Johnson Bodine
Commissioner Dianna Guzman
Member Marie Nesfield
Commissioner Bud Zomok
Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair
Other: Commissioner Kathryn Mawby (ABSENT)
Commissioner Tom Traw (ABSENT)

Passed

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting minutes of _____, 2024 were submitted and approved this ___ day of _____, 2024.

Recording Secretary