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

**OCTOBER 14, 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

Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine conducted roll call.

Present: Helena Johnson-Bodine, Vice Chair
Kathryn Mawby, Commissioner
Lynda Pacheco-Martinez, Commissioner
Tom Traw, Commissioner
Bud Zomok, Commissioner
Jaclyn Nguyen, Teen Commissioner
Lauren Snair, Teen Commissioner

Absent: Reginald Martinez, Chair
Marie Nesfield, Commissioner

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

Attendees: Cory Robinett, Yucca District Resident
Marty Cole, Barrel District Resident
Lorraine Zomok, Ocotillo District Resident
Jessica Koory, Barrel District Resident
Martha Dennis, Barrel District Resident
John LeGendre, Barrel District Resident

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Yucca District resident, Mr. Cory Robinett, spoke to Heroes Park X-Court bike program and the building at the skate park.

Barrel District resident, Mr. Marty Cole, spoke on the Velma Teague Library.

Ocotillo District resident, Lorraine Zomok, spoke on Velma Teague Library in Murphy Park.

Barrel District resident, Ms. Jessica Koory, spoke on Velma Teague Library in Murphy Park.

Barrel District resident, Ms. Martha Dennis, spoke on the Velma Teague Library in Murphy Park.

Barrel District resident, Mr. John LeGendre, spoke on the Velma Teague Library in Murphy Park.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Minutes of September 9, 2024.

Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motioned by Commissioner Bud Zomok, seconded by Commissioner Tom Traw to approve the minutes as written.

AYE: Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine
Commissioner Kathryn Mawby
Commissioner Lynda Pacheco-Martinez
Commissioner Tom Traw
Commissioner Bud Zomok
Teen Commissioner Jaclyn Nguyen
Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair
Other: Chair Reginald Martinez (ABSENT)
Commissioner Marie Nesfield (ABSENT)

Passed

5. NEW STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. ACTION: ANNUAL CHAIR RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Kennedy led a discussion on Chair recommendation for the term beginning February 1, 2025.

Motioned by Commissioner Bud Zomok, seconded by Commissioner Kathryn Mawby to recommend approval of Helene Johnson-Bodine as Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission for a one-year term.

AYE: Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine
Commissioner Kathryn Mawby
Commissioner Lynda Pacheco-Martinez
Commissioner Tom Traw
Commissioner Bud Zomok
Teen Commissioner Jaclyn Nguyen
Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair
Other: Chair Reginald Martinez (ABSENT)
Commissioner Marie Nesfield (ABSENT)

Passed

c. ACTION: ANNUAL VICE-CHAIR RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Kennedy led a discussion on Vice Chair recommendation for the term beginning February 1, 2025.

Motioned by Commissioner Tom Traw, seconded by Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair to recommend approval of Bud Zomok as Vice Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission for a one-year term.

AYE: Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine
Commissioner Kathryn Mawby
Commissioner Lynda Pacheco-Martinez
Commissioner Tom Traw
Commissioner Bud Zomok
Teen Commissioner Jaclyn Nguyen
Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair
Other: Chair Reginald Martinez (ABSENT)
Commissioner Marie Nesfield (ABSENT)

Passed

d. INFORMATION: OVERVIEW OF THE ROSE LANE POOL REPAIR PROJECT

Mr. Padia presented information regarding repairs at the Rose Lane Aquatics Center Lap Pool and working in collaboration with Engineering.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

e. INFORMATION: UPDATE ON HEROES PARK PROJECT

Ms. Barriga presented an update on the first phase of the Heroes Park project, showing how construction has been progressing.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

f. INFORMATION: UPDATE ON SIERRA VERDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Ms. Barriga presented information on the design phase and funding for park improvements at Sierra Verde Park.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

g. INFORMATION: FOOTHILLS RECREATION AND AQUATICS CENTER UPDATE

Mr. Padia provided an update on the installation of a new gym divider in the gymnasium, discussed Halloween events, and the preparation for the purchase of new Fitness Center equipment.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

h. INFORMATION: UPDATE ON THE SHADE STRUCTURE AT FOOTHILLS RECREATION AND AQUATICS CENTER

Ms. Barriga provided an update on the installation of solar shade structures in the parking lot at the Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center.

The Commission discussed the information that was presented.

7. STAFF UPDATES

Mr. Padia reviewed and discussed volunteer opportunities that the Commissioners can participate in.

Ms. Barriga gave an update on CIP projects to the Commission.

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Commissioner Zomok inquired about funding for Sahuaro Ranch Park.

Mr. Kennedy explained it will have to go to a bond election.

Commissioner Mawby asked if the Velma Teague Library should be addressed by the Commission.

Commissioner Zomok would like the lighting at Murphy Park re-addressed, as 60% of the businesses are female-owned, and it is pitch black by 8 p.m.

Vice Chair Johnson-Bodine requested that the Velma Teague Library issue be on a future agenda for the Commission.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will be a special meeting held on Monday, November 4, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at the Glendale Civic Center, located at 5750 W. Glenn Dr., Glendale, Arizona, 85301.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Commissioner Tom Traw, seconded by Commissioner Bud Zomok to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

AYE: Vice Chair Helena Johnson-Bodine
Commissioner Kathryn Mawby
Commissioner Lynda Pacheco-Martinez
Commissioner Tom Traw
Commissioner Bud Zomok
Teen Commissioner Jaclyn Nguyen
Teen Commissioner Lauren Snair
Other: Chair Reginald Martinez (ABSENT)
Commissioner Marie Nesfield (ABSENT)
Passed

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

Recording Secretary