

Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission

Goodyear Civic Square - Canyon Trails Conference Room
1900 N. Civic Square
Goodyear, AZ 85395



Wednesday, December 14, 2022

5:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Gerald Wilson; Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman; Commissioner Kim Harris; Commissioner John Cox; Commissioner Jose Gonzales

Absent: Commissioner Kiesha Beard (Excused); Commissioner Ted Ingalls

Staff Parks and Recreation Deputy Director David Seid; Project Manager Diana Vasquez;

Present: Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant Jacque Bento do O'

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Kim Harris to EXCUSE Commissioner Beard from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting on December 14, 2022. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Chairman Gerald Wilson, Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman, Commissioner Kim Harris, Commissioner John Cox, Commissioner Jose Gonzales

Passed - Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Before you begin to speak, identify yourself by clearly stating for the record, your name and address. This is the time for citizens who would like to address the Board on any non-agenda item within the jurisdiction of the Board. The Board will listen to comments, and may take any one of the following:

- Respond to criticism.
- Request that staff investigate and report on the matter.
- Request that the matter be scheduled on a future agenda.

Resident Mr. Ron Wilks attended the meeting and spoke to the Commission about pickleball. Mr. Wilks gave a pickleball 2022 recap stating how it has grown, developed and expanded in popularity. Mr. Wilks stated there are approximately 170 players with more people of all ages joining. He also stated there are pickleball special events occurring. Mr. Wilks gave thanks to Director Nathan Torres and Deputy Director David Seid for their support and also commended Recreation Superintendent Deanna Ortiz for her assistance with the program.

BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Kim Harris to APPROVE the draft minutes from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting held on October 12, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Chairman Gerald Wilson, Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman, Commissioner Kim Harris, Commissioner John Cox, Commissioner Jose Gonzales

Passed - Unanimously

2. Master Plan Update (Project Manager Diana Vasquez)

Diana Vasquez gave an updated Master Plan presentation:

- A statistically relevant survey was taken in the city of Goodyear, 603 surveys were received, with representation from all ages and demographics, representative of all Goodyear communities.
- 91% responded that high quality park and trail experiences are important to the quality of life.
- Survey rated existing conditions of the majority of park facilities with excellent ratings.
- Survey indicated 60% desire trails/walking paths, 47% desire open space/natural areas, and 40% desire community parks as the top 3 new amenities.
- Survey indicated 52% desire special events, 36% desire nature-base education activities, and 34% desire arts & culture programs as the top 3 programs.
- Survey indicated 89% desire Farmer's markets, 64% music, and 62% holidays as the top 3 events.
- Diana stated next steps will be to finalize the Master Plan to present to Council for adoption.
- Diana will send out the Master Plan to the commissioners for review prior to meeting one more time possibly in January for commission support.

3. Review and Approve the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission 2023 Meeting Calendar (Chairman Wilson)

- Commissioners discussed the 2023 meeting calendar and agreed to table the approval of the 2023 meeting calendar until the next meeting on February 8, 2023.
- Commissioners agreed that since there are two new commissioners coming on board, it would be good to have their input also.

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman to APPROVE the 2023 Meeting Calendar at the Next Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Meeting on February 8, 2023.

AYE: Chairman Gerald Wilson, Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman, Commissioner Kim Harris, Commissioner John Cox, Commissioner Jose Gonzales

Passed - Unanimously

4. Nominate and Approve Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2023 (Chairman Wilson)

David Seid facilitated the nomination process, briefly covering some of the duties of the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

-Vice Chairman Hohman volunteered to serve as Chairman.

-Commissioner Cox nominated Commissioner Gonzales to serve as Vice Chairman, and he accepted.

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Jose Gonzales to NOMINATE and APPROVE Vice Chairman Hohman as the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Chairman for 2023.

AYE: Chairman Gerald Wilson, Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman, Commissioner Kim Harris, Commissioner John Cox, Commissioner Jose Gonzales

Passed - Unanimously

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Kim Harris to NOMINATE and APPROVE Commissioner Gonzales as the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Vice Chairman for 2023.

AYE: Chairman Gerald Wilson, Vice Chairman Sharolyn Hohman, Commissioner Kim Harris, Commissioner John Cox, Commissioner Jose Gonzales

Passed - Unanimously

5. Parks & Recreation Department Updates (Deputy Director David Seid)

-David Seid gave these Parks & Recreation updates:

-Goodyear Recreation Campus is closed for warranty repairs, scheduled to be reopened January 2, 2023.

-Goodyear Civic Square (GSQ) holiday events and decorations are spectacular.

-Goodyear's Super Bowl event is February 11, 2023, at GSQ with games and entertainment.

-David gave recognition to Commissioner Kim Harris, presenting her with a plaque at her last meeting with the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission, after serving eight years as a commissioner.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Comments, Commendations, Report on Current Events and Presentations by Board, Commission or Committee Members, staff or members of the public. The members may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2023, at the Goodyear Recreation Campus (GRC) at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Wilson adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jacque Bento do O', Administrative Assistant

Gerald Wilson, Chairman

Date:_____