

Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission

Goodyear Recreation Campus
420 South Estrella Parkway
Goodyear, AZ 85338



Wednesday, June 12, 2024

5:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gonzales called to order the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission meeting for Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 5:39 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Sharolyn Hohman; Chairman Jose Gonzales; Commissioner Kiesha Beard; Commissioner John Cox; Vice Chairman Benita Beckles

Absent: Commissioner Gerald Wilson; Commissioner Chad Millette; Alternate Brian Murphy

Staff Present: Parks and Recreation Deputy Director David Seid; Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Torres; Administrative Assistant Julie Pierce

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Benita Beckles to EXCUSE Commissioners Jerry Wilson, Chad Millette and Brian Murphy

AYE: Commissioner Sharolyn Hohman, Chairman Jose Gonzales, Commissioner Kiesha Beard, Commissioner John Cox, Vice Chairman Benita Beckles

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.

BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY Commissioner John Cox, **SECONDED BY** Vice Chairman Benita Beckles to APPROVE the Draft Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission meeting held on April 10, 2024

AYE: Commissioner Sharolyn Hohman, Chairman Jose Gonzales, Commissioner Kiesha Beard, Commissioner John Cox, Vice Chairman Benita Beckles

Passed - Unanimously

2. **SPORTS COMPLEX FEASIBILITY STUDY (P&R, DEPUTY DIRECTOR DAVID SEID)**

Deputy Director David Seid will give a presentation on the Sports Complex Feasibility Study.

Parks and Recreation Deputy Director David Seid gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Sports Complex Feasibility Study of the 129 acres of retention basins owned by the city for recreational use. The plot is located on the north side of the I-10 between Dysart Road and Bullard Avenue. He explained that the development of the project is not currently funded and discussed the want for additional soccer fields and pickleball courts in the West Valley. Mr. Seid presented a three-phased approach and spoke about the potential costs for the development of a Goodyear Sports Complex. The study included site constraints for flood control and mitigation and right-of-way access. Mr. Seid told the commission that Council had requested additional research be completed to explore potential public private partnership opportunities.

3. **FISCAL YEAR (FY) 25 BUDGET PREVIEW (P&R, DEPUTY DIRECTOR DAVID SEID)**

Deputy Director David Seid will give a preview of the Parks & Recreation Department FY25 budget.

Parks and Recreation Deputy Director gave a preview of the Parks and Recreation Department FY25 budget. He shared the breakout of the Parks and Recreation Department operating budget of \$28,008,800 by division: Parks/ROW \$9,551,80, Recreation \$6,048,900, Ballpark \$7,574,100 and Arts \$4,834,000. In addition to the base operating budget 23 supplemental requests were approved for \$6,171,00 including: Traffic Control for Events and Spring Training, GRC Weapons Detection 1.5 FTE, Equipment Mechanic FTE, Ballpark Safety Netting Extension, Pop-Up Art, Public Art Tours, West Valley Mavericks Round Up Food Truck Festival sponsorship, Civic Square Holiday Lighting and Asset Management Replacements. CIP projects slated for FY25 include renovation and design of Goodyear Community Park and design of the Bullard Wash Trail Expansion with a combined budget of \$2,652,500.

4. **PARKS & RECREATION (P&R) DEPARTMENT UPDATES & REMINDERS (P&R DEPUTY DIRECTOR)**

Deputy Director David Seid will provide P&R Department updates and reminders.

Deputy Director David Seid gave a brief Parks and Recreation update on the expansion of the 46 acres to the west of the GRC. The commissioners discussed the addition of the weapons detection control at GRC and the events that prompted the installation. Mr. Seid shared a recent emergency at the GRC that involved a lifeguard rescue and safe outcome for those involved.

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 Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission meeting is scheduled on August 14, 2024, at the Goodyear Recreation Campus at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Jose Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Julie Pierce, Board Secretary

Date: 7/17/24

Approved at Parks & Recreation Advisory Meeting held on _____, 2024.