

**THE CITY OF COSTA MESA  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**May 26, 2010**

The Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2010, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California.

**1. Call to Order: Chairman Mike Brumbaugh**

**2. Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski**

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews led the pledge of allegiance.

**3. Roll Call**

Commissioners Present: Chairman Mike Brumbaugh  
Vice Chairman Terry Shaw  
Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews  
Commissioner Kim Pederson

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski

Officials Present: Mr. Peter Naghavi, Director of Public Services  
Mr. Bart Mejia, Parks Project Manager  
Mr. Bruce A. Hartley, Maintenance Services Manager  
Ms. Jana M. Ransom, Recreation Manager  
Ms. Lisa McPherson, Recreation Supervisor

**4. Approval of the Minutes of the March 24, 2010 Meeting**

**Motion made by Vice Chairman Terry Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Kim Pederson and carried four to zero, with Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski being absent, to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2010 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.**

**5. Presentation**

**5a. Chairperson's Award – Dave Gardner**

**6. Oral Communications**

**7. Consent Calendar**

Public comment was requested by Chairman Mike Brumbaugh for items listed under the Consent Calendar. No public comments were received.

**7a. Donation of Tree and Memorial Plaque at Fairview Park**

**Motion made by Vice Chairman Terry Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews and carried four to zero, with Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski being absent, to accept the donation of a tree and memorial plaque at Fairview Park.**

**7b. New Instructional Class Fee Proposals and Increases**

**Motion made by Vice Chairman Terry Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews and carried four to zero, with Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski being absent, to approve fees for three new contract instructional classes as proposed in Attachment "A", and approve fees for one existing instructional class as proposed in Attachment "B".**

**8. Public Hearing**

No items.

**9. Old Business**

**9a. Weekend Park Tours**

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh made a brief presentation.

Ms. Jana M. Ransom provided members of the Commission with information from previous park tours held by the Commission in 2008.

Commissioner Kim Pederson stated that the park tours will give the Commissioners the opportunity to get out into the community, see the parks, walk around, and to receive public input.

Commissioner Kim Pederson mentioned that he will volunteer for the first park tour.

Public Comments:

1. Mr. Roger Bushon  
Mr. Bushon voiced his concern to the Commission on noticing the public for the park tours. He suggested that signage be placed in the parks that are scheduled for the tour in order to receive community input.
2. Ms. Beth  
Ms. Beth addressed the Commission on past park tours. She believes that the park tour is a great idea and that neighborhood residents will be able to provide input.

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh said that noticing the public, by posting a schedule on the City's website, about the park tour is one of the goals for the Commission.

Commissioner Kim Pederson mentioned that he would like to volunteer for the first park tour. He said that he is available on Saturdays and suggested the tour be held on the third Saturday. Commissioner Kim Pederson also recommended that signage be placed a week in advanced at each park that will be toured. He went on to suggest that the schedule be done in three separate tours.

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh asked the members of the Commission for a second volunteer for the first park tour.

Vice Chairman Terry Shaw said that he wholeheartedly supports this concept and that he is not available in the month of June. Vice Chairman Terry Shaw volunteered for the second set of tours.

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews volunteered for the second and/or third park tours. He recommended that the Commission follow the same or similar set of schedules to tour the parks as noted in the 2008 schedules, pending an actual date, and to also set a tour in June, another in July, and a third in August.

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh mentioned that he would volunteer for the first tour, unless Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski decides to volunteer for the tour. Chairman Mike Brumbaugh said that he is available on any other Saturday in June, except for June 12 and 19.

Mr. Peter Naghavi provided the Commission with a brief history on the past park tours held in 2008.

**Chairman Mike Brumbaugh and Commissioner Kim Pederson will attend the first weekend park tour on Saturday, June 26, with the following schedule:**

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| 1. Heller Park   | 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.   |
| 2. Vista Park    | 9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.  |
| 3. Tanager Park  | 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. |
| 4. Estancia Park | 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. |
| 5. Wakeham Park  | 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. |

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh said that a notice of the park tour schedule will be posted on the City's website.

Discussion between Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews and Mr. Naghavi ensued on noticing the public of the park tour.

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh stated that the remaining park tours will be determined at a later date.

10. **New Business**

10a. **Davis Field Presentation**

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh announced that this agenda item will be continued to the July 28, 2010 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

10b. **Tree Removal Request – 3031 Capri Lane**

Mr. Bruce A. Hartley made a power point presentation.

Discussion between Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews and Mr. Hartley ensued on the tree growth.

Public Comment:

Bobbie Fielder  
Applicant

Ms. Fielder voiced her concerns to the Commission on her tree removal request.

Discussion between Chairman Mike Brumbaugh and Ms. Fielder took place on the tree removal and replacement costs.

Discussion between Chairman Mike Brumbaugh and Mr. Hartley occurred on root pruning, root barriers, and on the sidewalk damage.

**Motion made by Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews, seconded by Vice Chairman Terry Shaw and carried three to one, with Commissioner Kim Pederson voting "No" and Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski being absent, to authorize the removal and replacement of the trees at 3031 Capri Lane, per the Streetscape and Median Development Standards, Section 4.0.3 – Dis125**

**cretionary Removals, which would require replacement of the trees with one (1) twenty-four inch box-size tree and two (2) fifteen gallon-size trees to be planted elsewhere on City property, for each tree removed. The applicant would pay all removal and replacement costs.**

**The trees must be removed and mitigation trees provided to the City within one year from the date of final approval, after which the approval expires.**

10c. **Afterschool Program**

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh briefly stated that he requested for this item to be agendaized so that staff may provide the Commission with background history of the Afterschool Program and on possible remedies to keep the program in place.

The report was presented by Ms. Jana M. Ransom.

Ms. Ransom announced the Swing-A-Thon fundraiser event scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the R.O.C.K.S Playground sites. Pledge forms are available at <http://www.ci.costa-mesa.ca.us/CMRecreation.htm>. For more information, call Katrina Foley at (949) 502-8800 Ext. 203 or Jana Ransom at (714) 754-5300.

Discussion between Commissioner Kim Pederson and Ms. Ransom ensued on the youth sports programs considered for reduction or elimination by the City Council.

Public comment was requested by Chairman Mike Brumbaugh. No public comments were received.

**10d. Review of Proposed Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Through 2016-2017**

Mr. Peter Naghavi presented the report.

Discussion between Commissioner Terry Shaw and Mr. Naghavi took place on the budget amounts for the Joann Street Bike Trail Project, found on handwritten page 10 of the report.

Public comment was requested by Chairman Mike Brumbaugh. No public comments were received.

Discussion between Chairman Mike Brumbaugh and Mr. Naghavi occurred on the funds and history of the Priority Sidewalk Repair Program.

**Motion made by Vice Chairman Terry Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Kim Pederson and carried four to zero, with Commissioner Kurt M. Galitski being absent, to approve the following:**

- 1. The proposed Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) as it relates to Parkways, Park Maintenance, and Park Improvements; and,**
- 2. The proposed 7-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) as it pertains to the categories of Curbs and Sidewalks, Community Health and Environment, and Leisure and Community Services.**

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh recognized Park Ranger Matt Pallo and all the Park Ranger's for their hard work.

**11. Recreation Manager's Report**

Ms. Jana M. Ransom made a power point presentation on the following:

- The Ranch Program
- Costa Mesa Tennis Center - VIP Experience
- Summer Teen Camp
- Camp Costa Mesa
- Early Childhood Program
- Summer Adult Basketball
- Summer Adult Softball
- Classes for ALL
- R.O.C.K.S Star Extravaganza
- Recreation Sponsorship Opportunities

Discussion between Vice Chairman Terry Shaw and Ms. Ransom ensued on the impacts to programs held at the Balearic Community Center facility in light of the proposed City budget cuts.

Commissioner Kim Pederson thanked the School District for working closely with the City.

**12. Commissioner's Comments**

Commissioner Kim Pederson congratulated Mr. Dave Gardener for his efforts in contributing so much to the City and the community.

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews stated that tree removal requests brought forth to the Commission are typically at the owner's expense and not the City's, and that for every tree removed the City requires a 3:1 tree replacement ratio.

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews suggested that the Commission consider neighborhood plantings for stretches of land or streets where there is a dearth of trees, and to notice residents of their option to opt-out of planting.

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews stated that he mimics Chairman Mike Brumbaugh's comments about the Park Rangers. He thanked the Park Rangers for their excellent service.

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews commended Mayor Allan R. Mansoor and the City Council for the recent adoption of the Rule of Law Designation for the City of Costa Mesa.

Commissioner Jeff R. Mathews reminded voters about the June 8 Primary Election, and he encouraged voters to educate themselves on the candidates and on the initiatives in order to make an informed choice.

Vice Chairman Terry Shaw made the following announcements:

- Monday, May 31, Memorial Day service will be held at Harbor Lawn-Mt. Olive Memorial Park & Mortuary (1625 Gisler Avenue) at 11:00 a.m.
- The 63rd Annual Fish Fry event will be held at Lions Park (570 W. 18th Street) on June 5-6. Visit the website at [www.cmnhlions.com](http://www.cmnhlions.com) for more information.
- A Baby Contest, sponsored by the Cost Mesa Newport Harbor Lions Club Fish Fry, will be held on Sunday, June 6. For information call (714) 549-4961.

Vice Chairman Terry Shaw encouraged everyone to visit the City's website at [www.ci.costa-mesa.ca.us](http://www.ci.costa-mesa.ca.us), which offers many interesting information and community events.

Vice Chairman Terry Shaw continued to announce the following:

- The Barrett-Jackson Auction Company LLC will be at "The World's Greatest Collector Car Auctions" at the Orange County Fair & Event Center from June 25-27, 2010. For event schedules, visit the website at [www.travelcostamesa.com](http://www.travelcostamesa.com).
- The Community News & Recreation Guide covering the months from June-September 2010 is now available on the City's website, the Neighborhood Community Center, the Downtown Recreation Center, the Balearic Community Center, and at City Hall.
- The Costa Mesa Historical Society's program includes Mr. Lawrence Christon's presentation of a "History of South Coast Repertory" on Sunday, June 27, at 2:00 p.m. Information may be found by visiting the website at [www.costamesahistory.org](http://www.costamesahistory.org) or to call (949) 631-5918.

Vice Chairman Terry Shaw encouraged the community to enjoy a safe and sane 4th of July holiday.

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh invited the community to the 1st Annual Costa Mesa Community Picnic, hosted by the Halecrest & Hall of Fame Community Association, on Saturday, June 12, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 3107 Killybrooke Lane, Costa Mesa 92626. The potluck event is free, bring your favorite dish to share with all. For more details, please call Chairman Mike Brumbaugh at (714) 754-5009 or (714) 323-8293.

Chairman Mike Brumbaugh wished everyone a great and safe 4th of July.

### 13. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at **7:42 p.m.** to the next regular scheduled agenda review on Wednesday, July 28, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. in Conference Room 1A, followed by the Commission meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Submitted by:



**PETER NAGHAVI**  
Director of Public Services