

**THE CITY OF COSTA MESA
MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
OCTOBER 25, 2018; 6:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order:** The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Chair McNabb at 6:02 p.m. on October 25, 2018 at the Costa Mesa Senior Center, 695 W. 19th Street, Costa Mesa, California.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Vice Chair Reynolds

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Chair McNabb, Vice Chair Reynolds, Commissioner Bogner, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Ersoylu

Absent: None

Staff Present: Justin Martin, Parks & Community Services Director; Bruce Lindemann, Maintenance Services Manager; Jim Ortiz, Maintenance Superintendent; Yvette Aguilar, Recreation Manager; Christian Hernandez, Assistant Recreation Supervisor; Cynthia D'Agosta, Fairview Park Administrator; Allison Burch, Executive Secretary

4. **Approval of the Minutes of the August 23, 2018 Meeting of the PRC**

MOTION/SECOND: Vice Chair Reynolds moves to approve the minutes as amended/Seconded by Commissioner Bogner. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Chair McNabb, Vice Chair Reynolds, Commissioner Bogner, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Ersoylu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

5. **Public Comments**

Chair McNabb closed Public Comments.

6. **Commissioner Comments**

Chair McNabb – Thanked staff for providing the community with fantastic special events; spoke about upcoming events; encouraged commission/committee members and the public to treat everyone with respect; and reminded the public about the upcoming election.

Vice Chair Reynolds – Asked staff how Senior Center programming has been affected with the move of Commission and Council meetings to the Senior Center and for an update regarding the design of Lions Park and an update on the investment in NMUSD sports fields; spoke about issues related to the City's leash law violations and dog waste, a found needle in a neighborhood park; and thanked staff for the Scarecrow Festival.

Commissioner Bogner – Spoke about ARTventure, Fire Station 1’s ribbon cutting ceremony, and the Fish Fry; thanked staff and partners for special events; and addressed the City’s leash law violations.

Commissioner Erickson – Spoke about recent special events and thanked staff for their hard work.

Commissioner Ersoylu – Spoke about the City’s leash law violations and asked staff to look into how the City can work to prevent further violations.

7. Consent Calendar

a) Instructional Class Proposals

b) Donation of Bench and Plaque at Estancia Park

MOTION/SECOND: Chair McNabb moves to approve the Consent Calendar/Seconded by Vice Chair Reynolds. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Chair McNabb, Vice Chair Reynolds, Commissioner Bogner, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Ersoylu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

8. Presentation – Summer Programs at a Glance

Ms. Yvette Aguilar and Mr. Christian Hernandez present.

Chair McNabb thanked staff.

Commissioner Erickson noted his appreciation for teaching financial responsibility to Teen Camp participants.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked for clarification regarding the Animal Care Services and Community Gardens portions of the presentation.

9. Old Business

No Items

10. New Business

a) Tree Removal Request – 234 E 17th Street

Mr. Bruce Lindemman presents report.

Public Comment:

Chair McNabb closed public comments.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked for clarification regarding the construction plans and which tree species would be used in the proposed plan; spoke about walkability.

Commissioner Ersoylu asked about the size of the proposed tree canopy and if there are other ways to gain shade at a more accelerated pace than proposed.

Commissioner Bogner spoke about her inclination to approve the request, the safety concerns that are currently present in the proposed area, the lack of available parking, and how to gain more shade.

MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Erickson moves to approve the tree removal/Seconded by Commissioner Bogner.

Vice Chair Reynolds noted that she is less inclined to approve the tree removal request because she would like to see a push toward walkability.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION/SECOND: Chair McNabb moves to approve the tree removal upon agreement from the applicant to add at least one additional tree into the replacement tree plan. Motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Ersoylu asked what the total number of trees removed would be, if approved.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked if the project could be completed without having to remove the City's trees.

Commissioner Ersoylu asked if there had to be a wall surrounding the perimeter of the property.

Discussion ensued regarding an appropriate amount of trees and shade in the proposed space.

SUBSTITUTE SUBSTITUTE MOTION/SECOND: Commissioner Ersoylu moves to approve the tree removal contingent upon an appropriate amount of replacement trees to be planted to provide enough shade to cover 75% of the adjacent walkway within 10 years of replanting/Seconded by Chair McNabb. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Chair McNabb, Commissioner Bogner, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Ersoylu

Nays: Vice Chair Reynolds

Absent: None

Motion Carried: 4-1

b) Tree Removal Request – 920 Mackenzie Place

Mr. Bruce Lindemman presents report.

Public Comment:

1. Harlan Williams, tree removal applicant, spoke in favor of his request.

Chair McNabb closed public comments.

Commissioner Erickson asked for clarification of the replacement tree process.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked the applicant to describe the reason for the tree removal request.

Commissioner Erickson asked staff for clarification of the proposed tree's root characteristics versus other tree species' root characteristics.

Commissioner Bogner asked staff if the proposed tree is currently on the City's approved plant pallet.

Commissioner Ersoylu asked staff how long it would take for a new tree, planted in the same location, to offer the same amount of shade coverage as the current tree.

Commissioner Erickson asked staff where the proposed tree is at in its maintenance schedule.

MOTION/SECOND: Vice Chair Reynolds moves to deny the tree removal /Seconded by Commissioner Ersoylu. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Chair McNabb, Vice Chair Reynolds, Commissioner Bogner, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Ersoylu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

c) Tree Removal Request – 1067 Concord Street

Item 10c was removed from the agenda at the request of staff to be heard at a future meeting date.

d) Fairview Park Annual Report

Ms. Cynthia D'Agosta presents report.

Public Comment:

Chair McNabb closed public comments.

Chair McNabb asked what project ideas may be implemented from the funding of Prop 68.

Commissioner Bogner asked if there are plans for a nature center within Fairview Park.

Commissioner Erickson asked if there are policies that constrain work days to only once a month.

Vice Chair Reynolds noted that it is important to communicate the City's vision and document the process for the public.

MOTION/SECOND: Chair McNabb moves to approve the Fairview Park work plan implementation for the upcoming year/Seconded by Commissioner Erickson. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Chair McNabb, Vice Chair Reynolds, Commissioner Bogner, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Ersoylu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

11. Maintenance and Park Projects Update Report

Mr. Bruce Lindemann presents report.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked about the recent trees that were lost due to high winds and if there is a plan in place to replace them.

Commissioner Erickson attended the Walk to School Day event and asked about the planning process.

Commissioner Ersoylu asked about the scheduling of the Walk to School Day event.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked about the Walk to School Day event survey.

12. Parks and Community Services Director's Report

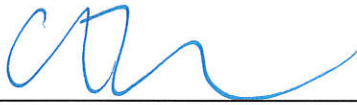
Mr. Justin Martin presents report.

Vice Chair Reynolds asked about the park design for Lions Park and if it has a timeline.

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chair McNabb at 7:55 p.m.

**The Next Special Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission
is on Thursday, November 29, 2018**



Prepared by Allison Burch
PRC Secretary



Submitted by Justin Martin
Parks and Community Services Director