

**MINUTES
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 30, 2010
City Hall
250 Hamilton Ave**

Commissioners Present: Daria Walsh, Deidre Crommie, Sunny Dykwel, Jennifer Hetterly, Ed Lauing, Paul Losch, Pat Markevitch

Commissioners Absent:

Others Present:

Staff Present: Daren Anderson, Greg Betts, Catherine Bourquin, Rob de Geus, Lam Do

I. ROLL CALL CONDUCTED BY: Catherine Bourquin

II. AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, and DELETIONS: None

II. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

IV. BUSINESS:

- Approval of Draft Minutes from the October 26, 2010 Regular Meeting** – The Draft Minutes of the October 26, 2010 regular meeting were approved with one correction. **Approved 6:1 (abstention Markevitch)**
- Overview of the City’s Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Developmental Impact Fees and private funding opportunities related to Parks, Recreation and Open Space CIP’s**– Staff Betts started the discussion with an overview on the history of funding for the Capital Improvement Program. The discussion was guided by a FAQ that was previously generated by the Commissioners included in the packet. Staff Do went over the questions and answers; and provided answers to any additional questions the Commissioners had related to the FAQ. The role of the Commissioners was also discussed in relation to the use of Park Developmental Impact Fees. Chair Walsh wanted to emphasize the need to have this discussion once a year to reinforce the priorities of the Commission. Commissioner Markevitch representative for the Commission on the Blue Ribbon Task Force Committee



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spoke briefly on what the Committee is currently working on. The next meeting for the Committee is Thursday, December 2nd.

3. Commission priorities for 2011-12– Chair Walsh opened up the discussion by explaining how she wanted to work on the priorities for next year. It was suggested that at tonight’s meeting they would agree on their 2011 priorities and come up with action items at their next regular meeting. Staff de Geus advocated that the Commission stays with a two year priority plan. He stated that the priorities are broad and the process of having two year priorities stay within the same guidelines that the Council uses. He agreed that the Commission needs to get more specific on the work to do under the existing priorities. After some discussion on this topic the Commissioners agreed to form a sub-committee who would meet and come up with an action plan to recommend and take action on at their next meeting.

4. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports – None

V. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Staff de Geus reported on a conference that he attended in Houston Texas along with Adam Howard and four teens from the Youth Council The conference was on the Forty-one Developmental Assets, one of the priorities for Safety Project Net.
2. Staff de Geus announced that on December 13th staff will be asking Council to adopt the forty-one developmental assets that they developed; and a specific suicide prevention policy.
3. A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for December 11 for the reopening of Greer Park.
4. Commissioner Dykwel announced a Parent Education Series on the Challenges of nurturing emotional intelligence in Palo Alto on December 8th at 7 – 9pm located at the School District office.

VI. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING ON DECEMBER 14, 2010

1. 101/Pedestrian overpass presentation
2. Update to the Park Rules and Regulations and action item for the Commissioners.
3. Parks and Recreation Commission 2011 priorities
4. Commissioner Hetterly requested that an update to the Comprehensive Plan be provided to the Commission.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:55pm

