



City of Fresno

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Meeting Minutes

Parks, Recreation, and Arts Commission

Chair - Kimberly McCoy

Vice Chair – Jon Dohlin

Commissioner – Scott Miller

Commissioner – Mona Nyandoro Cummings

Commissioner – Harman Singh

Commissioner – Jose Leon Barraza

Commissioner – Kelly Kucharski

Commissioner - Laura Ward

Commissioner – Vacant

Monday, October 16, 2023

5:30 PM

Council Chambers (In
Person and/or Electronic)

Regular Meeting

The Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission (PRAC) met in regular session in the Council Chamber at Fresno City Hall on the date and time above written.

1. Call to Order

Chair McCoy called the meeting to order at 5:44 P.M.

2. 5:30 P.M. Roll Call

Commissioner Kucharski arrived at 5:46 p.m

Present 6 - Chair Kimberly McCoy, Vice Chair Jon Dohlin, Commissioner Scott Miller, Commissioner Harman Singh, Commissioner Kelly Kucharski, and Commissioner Laura E. Ward

Absent 2 - Commissioner Mona Cummings, and Commissioner Jose Barraza

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair McCoy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approve Agenda

On motion of Vice Chair Dohlin, seconded by Commissioner Singh, the above AGENDA was APPROVED. The motion carried by the following

vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair McCoy, Vice Chair Dohlin, Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Singh and Commissioner Ward

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Cummings, Commissioner Barraza and Commissioner Kucharski

5. Approval of Minutes

5.-A. [ID 23-1439](#) Approval of the regular meeting minutes of September 25, 2023.

On motion of Commissioner Singh, seconded by Commissioner Ward, that the above MINUTES were APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair McCoy, Vice Chair Dohlin, Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Singh and Commissioner Ward

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Cummings, Commissioner Barraza and Commissioner Kucharski

6. Discussion: Subcommittee Reports:

6-A. Cultural Arts Plan:

Commissioner Ward announced there will be an item that'll be coming up later on the agenda; the revised Cultural Arts plan will be finalized the end of this week and would like copies available in print for the public.

6-B. Parks Master Plan:

Vice Chair Dohlin reported the parks master plan subcommittee met with staff and consultant over chapter six; will regroup in two weeks for the next steps

7. Members Reports and Comments

CHAIR MCCOY REPORTS AND COMMENTS: commended the PARCS Department for the Halloween and other activities, keeping the commission informed and using social media as a tool to reach it's audience.

8. City Administration and PARCS Staff Reports and Comments

PARCS DIRECTOR AGUIRRE REPORTS AND COMMENTS: announced

the ribbon cutting at Roeding Park where the dog park was relocated, the move addressed ADA path of travel, added solar lighting, added picnic tables, added waste receptacles and it was funded by Measure P; announced an upcoming community meeting Wednesday October 24, 2023, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. for another dog park at Al Radka Park, welcomed the Community and the commission to give input in the review of design concept.

9. Unscheduled Communication: Members of the public may address the Commission regarding items that are not listed on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Each person will have up to three (3) minutes to present.

Upon call, no members of the public addressed the Commission.

10. Workshops:

11. Discussion Items:

12. Hearings:

12.-A. [ID 23-1512](#) Hearing - Actions pertaining to the Parks, After School, Recreation, and Community Services (PARCS) Department Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Budget Build as it pertains to the Capital Project Portfolio:

1. Presentation - Overview of PARCS Department's FY 2024 Capital Projects portfolio.
2. Receive public input on expenditures related to the PARCS Department's FY 2025 budget.
3. Action - Make recommendation to the City Council for adoption of expenditures in connection to the PARCS Department's FY 2025 budget.

The above hearing began at 5:50 P.M.

The PARCS department presented the workshop.

Upon call, no members of the public addressed the commission:

Commission discussion included: Regional Sports Complex's HVAC system; Veterans Memorial Park; mobile science unit in Highway City; Capital Projects Department and ongoing parks maintenance.

The above hearing ended at 6:30 P.M

- 12.-B.** [ID 23-1440](#) Hearing - Actions pertaining to the Expanded Access to Arts and Culture Grant Guidelines:
1. Receive public input on the draft Expanded Access to Arts and Culture Grant Guidelines.
 2. Review and make recommendations from the Parks, Recreation, and Arts Commission for the City Council's consideration and adoption of the Expanded Access to Arts and Culture Grant Guidelines.

The above hearing began at 6:30 P.M.

Director Chavez of the Fresno Arts Council presented.

Upon call, Camilla Southerland and Thomas Ellis addressed the Commission. There were no other comments from the public.

There was no Commission discussion on this Hearing.

The above hearing ended at 6:44 P.M

On motion of Commissioner Ward, seconded by Vice Chair Dohlin, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair McCoy, Vice Chair Dohlin, Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Singh, Commissioner Kucharski and Commissioner Ward

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Cummings and Commissioner Barraza

- 12.-C.** [ID 23-1441](#) Hearing - Receive public input on allocations related to Measure P, updates to the Parks Master Plan and Cultural Arts Plan, and annual PARCS Department Budget and Capital Improvement Plans.

The above hearing was called to order at 6:44 P.M.

Upon call, no members of the public addressed the commission.

There was no Commission discussion on this Hearing.

The above hearing ended at 6:44 P.M.

13. Adjournment

*Chair McCoy adjourned the meeting in Memory of Dr. Francine Oputa, at
6:44 P.M*

The above minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the Parks, Recreation, and Arts Commission during the October 30, 2023, regular meeting with Commissioner Singh absent.