



CITY OF PIEDMONT

Recreation Commission Agenda Wednesday, March 17, 2021 7:30 p.m.

Via Teleconference

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Call to Order

Public Forum

This is an opportunity for members of the audience to speak on an item not on the agenda. The 10-minute period will be divided evenly between those wishing to address the Commission.

Regular Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes – February 17, 2021

2. Chair's Report
3. Director's Report
4. Update on the Establishment of the Community Pool Advisory Committee
5. Update on Linda Beach Master Plan Phase 1 Neighborhood Meeting
6. Review of Piedmont Recreation in the Year of COVID
7. Ceremonial Matters

Announcements, old business and consideration of future agenda items

Adjourn

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In accordance with G.C. Sec. 54954.2 (a) this, notice and agenda were posted on the City Hall bulletin board and in the Piedmont Police Department on March 12, 2021.

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PIEDMONT RECREATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 17, 2021

A Regular Session of the Piedmont Recreation Commission was held February 17, 2021, via teleconference, consistent with Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 and the Alameda County Health Official's Order #20-04. In accordance with Government Code Section 54957(b), the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on February 12, 2021.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Steve Roland called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Steve Roland, Commissioners Dick Carter, Vincent Fisher, Susan Terrill, and Aamir Virani

Absent: Commissioner Jeffrey Dorman

Staff: Recreation Director Chelle Putzer, Recreation Supervisor Jackson Stearns, Recreation Coordinator Steven Chavarria, Administrative Assistant Cora Wood

PUBLIC FORUM

Public Testimony was received from:

Mike Bishop, Piedmont Baseball Softball Foundation, requested the Recreation Department and Recreation Commission continue to consider the Foundation's needs when discussing field use.

Becca Posamentier suggested the Recreation Commission review the proposed lease of City space to the Piedmont Center for the Arts at 801 Magnolia.

Rick Krumins requested the Recreation Commission consider reopening the Community Pool so that PHS students may train and participate in swim meets and water polo matches.

REGULAR AGENDA

The Commission considered the following items of regular business:

Minutes

Resolved, that the Recreation Commission approves the Recreation Commission meeting minutes of January 20, 2021, as submitted.

Moved by Carter, Seconded by Virani

Ayes: Carter, Fisher, Roland, Terrill, Virani

Noes: None

Abstain: Dorman

Absent: None

Chair's Report

Chair Roland announced Commissioner Carter will serve as the Recreation Commission's representative to the Capital Improvement Projects Committee.

Director's Report

Recreation Director Chelle Putzer reported the Council approved an application for the Proposition 68 grant program and the CEQA exemption for Phase 1 of the Linda Beach Master Plan. The grant application is due by March 12. She described the Phase 1 California Playscape area and announced an upcoming community meeting via Zoom scheduled for March 6, 2021.

Ms. Putzer also announced that the Council approved a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a project manager/owner's representative for the Piedmont Community Pool project. She along with other City staff will also be part the

project and added that the City Council may form an oversight or steering committee on which community members may serve. More information will be provided as it becomes available. She indicated that responses to the RFP are due March 19th.

Ms. Putzer announced the new benches for the Corey Reich Tennis Center will be installed prior to the high school season and designs for donor signage have been completed and submitted for estimates. The plan and design for court lighting is being reviewed and possibly changed.

The temporary fencing at Coaches Field and Hampton Field has been removed. She indicated staff is issuing permits for field use and attempting to balance the needs of sports teams, the community, and Recreation Department programs.

Ms. Putzer reported tennis rental revenue for fiscal year (FY) 2021 totals \$133,000 and 4,000 tennis reservations have been made online since October 2020. She indicated almost 400 students registered for the first winter session and 350 students registered for the second winter session of afterschool classes. She announced Camp Almost Everything will return for the summer, all five preschool programs for the fall are filled, and a sixth preschool program has been added. She indicated preschool enrollment has been increased to hopefully accommodate the number of families seeking programs.

Ms. Putzer noted that staff has been given information and documentation to obtain COVID-19 vaccinations and shared the state schedule for sports allowed in each of the COVID-19 color tiers.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

**Piedmont High School
Athletics Update**

Ms. Putzer introduced Bradley Smet, the new Piedmont High School Athletic Director. Mr. Smet reported the combined track and cross country team, boys and girls tennis, boys and girls golf, and swim teams will begin competing under the purple tier of the state's schedule for athletics. He did indicate the swim teams have not started training because he is searching for a pool to use. Mr. Smith provided the sports allowed under red, orange and yellow tiers. He summarized COVID-19 protocols for competitions and spectators.

Mr. Smet appreciated staff working with him on the use of City tennis courts. He noted the schedule for tennis team tryouts and matches.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

Commissioner Carter appreciated Director Putzer and Mr. Smith working collaboratively regarding use of City fields and courts.

**Camp Smart Start
and Play Pods Update**

Recreation Supervisor Jackson Stearns thanked his staff for their hard work as the guidelines and return to school schedule was released. Kindergarten, first, and second grade students returned to school the prior week. Modifications to staffing and hours of operation were needed to keep morning and afternoon students separate. He indicated the next session for Camp Smart Start and Play Pods begins February 22, 2021, and currently all classes are full.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

Chair Roland appreciated staff not only responding to challenges over the past year but also creatively adapting to the challenges.

Piedmont Middle School Sports Programs Update

Recreation Coordinator Steven Chavarria advised that sports programs, which began in August, are focusing on technical skills and conditioning. He indicated that two coaches work with each pod of 14 participants and classes are scheduled in blocks of three or four weeks.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Roland noted a future agenda item regarding 801 Magnolia will depend on Council action on the matter.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Roland adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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