

**MINUTES OF MENDOTA  
REGULAR RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

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**Regular Meeting**

**Thursday, March 5, 2020**

**Meeting called to order by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa at 12:14 p.m.**

**Roll Call**

**Commissioners Present:** Chairperson Jesus Mendoza, Vice-Chairperson Paul Ochoa, Commissioners Jose Alonso, Kevin Romero, and Josue Urias

**Commissioners Absent:** Commissioners Jessica Barron and Angela Gonzalez

**Flag Salute led by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa**

**FINALIZE THE AGENDA**

1. Adjustments to Agenda.
2. Adoption of final Agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romero to adopt the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Alonso; unanimously approved (5 ayes, absent: Barron and Gonzalez).

**SWEARING IN**

1. City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia to swear in Commissioner Jesus Mendoza.

City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia swore in Commissioner Mendoza.

**REORGANIZATION OF RECREATION COMMISSION**

1. City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia to conduct the Commission reorganization proceedings and accept nominations for the following offices:
  - a) Chairperson
  - b) Vice-Chairperson

City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia opened the nomination period for the position of Chairperson.

Nominations were made for Commissioners Ochoa, Mendoza, and Romero.

Based on a vote of 3 ayes (and 2 abstentions), Commissioner Mendoza was elected to serve as Chairperson.

City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia opened the nomination period for the position of Vice-Chairperson.

Nominations were made for Commissioners Ochoa and Romero.

Based on a vote of 4 ayes (and 1 abstention), Commissioner Ochoa was elected to serve as Vice-Chairperson.

### **CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS**

None offered.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND NOTICE OF WAIVING READING**

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of June 6, 2019.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa to approve item 1, seconded by Commissioner Romero; unanimously approved (5 ayes, absent: Barron and Gonzalez).

2. Notice of waiving the reading of all resolutions introduced and/or adopted under this agenda.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa to approve item 2, seconded by Commissioner Alonso; unanimously approved (5 ayes, absent: Barron and Gonzalez).

### **BUSINESS**

1. Commission discussion and action on the submitted requests for exclusive use of City Facilities for recreation purposes.

Chairperson Mendoza introduced the item and City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia summarized the report including the applications that were received, and staff's recommendation.

Discussion was held on the schedule for both organizations for last year.

**Salvador Ochoa** – commented on how the schedule was made in 2019.

Discussion was held on the days that are being requested by both organizations.

**Salvador Ochoa** – provided information on the Mendota Baseball League's (MBL) program.

Discussion was held on the amount of games that each organization will have, and the amount of time that they will need to prepare and clean-up.

**Jesus Martinez** – stated that MBL had issues with the baseball pads and pegs last year.

Discussion was held on which length baseball pads were used.

**Irene Barajas** – stated that last year Mendota Youth Baseball (MYB) accommodated the schedule of MBL; and provided information on the tournaments that MYB hosts.

Discussion was held on the proposed schedule for both organizations; the number of participants that both leagues have; and the flexibility of the schedules of both organizations.

**Sergio Valdez** – provided information on how the Cal Ripken league functions; and the need for MYB to be able to use the field on Saturdays.

Discussion was held on alternating the use of the field on Saturdays; the condition of the field; and City staff evaluating the condition of the field before each use.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa to approve the applications with the following schedule and conditions of approval, seconded by Commissioner Alonso; unanimously approved (4 ayes, abstain: Romero, absent: Barron and Gonzalez).

#### Mendota Baseball League – Youth Baseball

- 3/6/2020 – 6/30/2020
- Mondays and Fridays: 2:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
- Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
  - Once Westside Youth, Inc. (WSY) receives Mendota Youth Recreation's (MYR) schedule, WSY will coordinate with MYR to accommodate MYR's use of the field on Saturdays. Shall a conflict arise in coordinating the use of the field by both organizations on a Saturday by, the City of Mendota will work with both organizations to reach an alternate decision.

#### Cal Ripken Baseball League – Youth Baseball

- 3/3/2020 – 7/31/2020
- Tuesdays and Thursdays: 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturdays: To Be Determined
  - Once a schedule is created, Mendota Youth Recreation (MYR) will submit the schedule to Westside Youth Inc. (WSY) and the City of Mendota. MYR will coordinate with WSY to determine MYR's use of the field on Saturdays. Shall a conflict arise regarding coordinating the use of the field by both organizations on a Saturday, the City of Mendota will work with both organizations to reach an alternate decision.

Conditions of approval:

Both organizations shall:

- Provide Current Proof of Liability Insurance.
- Receive the keys on the specified dates set and shall not make copies of the keys.
- Provide the City with any updates to its schedule, including any changes that cause the field to be unused when it was previously declared to be used.
- Maintain the field and other property based on their use and immediately report any observed problems, whether or not caused directly by their use, to City Hall.

### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**


Chairperson Mendoza inquired about potential sponsorship opportunities for the new baseball field.

Commissioner Urias inquired about the possibility of replacing the basketball nets at Rojas-Pierce Park.

Discussion was held on individuals playing soccer on the basketball courts at Rojas-Pierce Park; lighting issues at the kid's play area pat Rojas-Pierce Park; the status of the Community Center; and the upcoming Earth Day event.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At the hour of 1:32 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Commission, a motion for adjournment was made by Commissioner Romero, with a second by Commissioner Urias; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Barron and Gonzalez).

  
Jesus Mendoza, Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk

