

**MINUTES OF MENDOTA
REGULAR RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 1, 2018

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Robert Silva at 12:10 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Robert Silva, Vice-Chairperson Paul Ochoa, Commissioners Angela Gonzalez and John Sanchez.

Commissioners Absent: Commissioners Juan Luna and Mario Plascencia.

Flag Salute led by Chairperson Silva.

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

Economic Development Manager Flood requested that the swearing in of Angela Gonzalez be added to the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez to adopt the modified agenda as requested by staff, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Luna and Plascencia).

SWEARING IN

1. Economic Development Manager Flood to swear in Angela Gonzalez.
(added to the agenda)

Economic Development Manager Flood swore in Ms. Gonzalez.

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 July 6, 2017.
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 items 1 and 2, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Luna and Plascencia).

BUSINESS

1. Commission discussion and consideration of an application for exclusive use of City facilities for recreational purposes.

Economic Development Manager Flood summarized the report including that organizations submit applications for exclusive use of city facilities; applications that are in regard to recreation purposes being considered by the Recreation Commission; only one application being received, and that it was submitted by Mendota Youth Recreation (MYR) for the use of the Benny Mares Sr. Baseball field for their baseball league; staff requesting that that MYR provide a specific schedule for the use of the field since it is not provided on the application; the difficulty for the Commission to make a decision on the application because of the lack of a specific schedule; and applying the usual conditions to the permit should it be approved, including the fee for the use of the concession stand, and ensuring that the field is adequately maintained and that any problems are reported to City staff.

Discussion was held on whether MYR's request interfered with the schedule of the usage of the field by that the Boys & Girls Club.

Sergio Valdez (Mendota Youth Recreation) – reported that that baseball league was starting soon; the schedule of the league being dependent on the number of games that the teams will have; and requested that the Commission consider waiving the fees for the use of the concession stand.

Discussion was held on the costs associated with the maintenance of the field; the maintenance that is done to the field by MYR; the current condition of the field; accommodating the requests of other organizations; the need to have a specific schedule for the use of the field; and that the organization provide a tentative schedule with the application in the future.

Sergio Valdez (Mendota Youth Recreation) – stated that MYR requests to use the field from 5 pm – 9 pm on weekdays, and from 10 am – 5 pm on Saturdays.

Discussion was held on the lighting of the field; whether the security cameras are functioning; whether the organization will be given a set of keys during the duration of their allowed time to use the field; the discretion of the commission on the fees that will be charged; an administrative security deposit that MYR would need to pay in addition to any fees that are imposed; the amount of fees that are already waived since MYR is a 501(c)3 organization; the total amount of fees that MYR would be paying if staff's recommendation is approved; the precedent that the waiving of fees creates; and the possibility of charging concession stand fees only on tournament days.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve the application with staff's recommendations, along with the modification that the time of the use of the field be weekdays from 5 pm – 9 pm and Saturdays from 10 am – 5 pm, and that MYR be charged a half day on Saturdays for the use of the concession stand, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa; unanimously approved (4 ayes; absent: Luna and Plascencia).

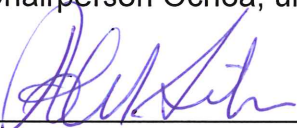
Discussion was held on the base plugs missing; the date and time of the opening ceremony; and the condition of the scoreboard.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Discussion was held on a vacant position on the Commission as a result of Kevin Romero resigning; and the Commission considering whether to change the time of the meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

At the hour of 12:51 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Commission, a motion for adjournment was made by Commissioner Sanchez, with a second by Vice-Chairperson Ochoa; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Luna and Plascencia).



Robert Silva, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Matt Flood, City Clerk

