

CITY OF PETALUMA
RECREATION, MUSIC, AND PARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

*Petaluma Community Center
320 North McDowell Blvd.
Conference Room No. 2*

*Wednesday, April 21, 2004
7:00 p.m.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Hagen, Kinsella, Nau, Noriel, Moynihan, Ramirez, Tarr*

Staff Present:

Carr, Anchordoguy, Stewart

Chair*

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 17, 2004

Brayant Moynihan moved that the Commission approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Karen Nau - **AYES: 4 ABSTEIN: 3.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1) Hal Warren – 905 Mustang Court – Asked about the status of the Senior Center renovation project.

Carr – Plans and specifications are ready; the project is scheduled to go to bid next week.

2) Bryant Moynihan – Complimented staff for the excellent job on the Summer Recreation brochure. Commissioners concurred.

OLD BUSINESS

1) General Plan Policies – Discussion and Possible Action – Pamela Tuft

Pamela Tuft – Gave an overview of land use for parks and asked the Commission for comments. Following a lengthy discussion, Commissioners made the following motions:

I. Elaine Ramirez moved that if there is any development within the Kenilworth Recreation Master Plan that results in the loss of recreation amenities located at the site, those amenities would have to be replaced somewhere else within the City. The motion was seconded by John Kinsella, and unanimously approved.

1 **II. Bryant Moynihan** moved that the designation of a proposed park be placed on the Fairgrounds.
2 The motion was seconded by Bruce Hagen; **AYES: 6, ABSTEIN: 1 (Elaine Ramirez)**
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4 **III. Karen Nau** moved that the Commission support the General Plan designation of a community
5 park on the Johnson property as shown in the alternatives A, B, and C as presented. The motion was
6 seconded by John Kinsella, and unanimously approved.
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8 Pamela Tuft asked the Commission for ideas regarding alternative locations to develop proposed parks.
9 She indicated that the City’s Executive Team and a group of citizens who attended the early visioning
10 workshops, had asked that staff consider areas in the Urban Growth Boundary. One of the suggestions
11 had been the quadrant encompassing East Washington to Corona Road to Adobe Road. She suggested
12 that the Commission recommend a policy encouraging the City Council to consider peripheral areas
13 for open space to develop active parks.
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15 **IV. John Kinsella** moved that the Commission encourage the City Council to consider areas beyond
16 the Urban Growth Boundary for the development of active parkland without City services (water,
17 sewer, etc.) in partnership with either Sonoma County Regional Park, outside organizations, or as sole
18 developer. The motion was seconded by Joe Noriel, unanimously approved.
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20 **V. Bruce Hagen** moved that a policy be created on the basis that wherever possible, if an area goes in
21 alignment with the Urban Growth Boundary, that it be a requirement to accommodate a linear open
22 space at the outer edge of the site to develop either a park, playing field, multi-use path, or open space
23 for walking. Mr. Hagen also suggested having a public right-of-way all around town. The motion was
24 seconded by John Kinsella. **AYES: 5, NOES: 1, ABSTEIN: 1 (Karen Nau)**
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26 Pamela Tuft indicated that she will be working on General Plan policies for the next couple of months,
27 and encouraged the Commission to provide her with additional information. She will be appearing
28 before this Commission at a future meeting.
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30 **2) 5-Year Capital Improvement Program – Discussion and Possible Action - Carr**
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32 **Carr** – Gave an overview of the 5-year Capital Improvement Program included in the Commission
33 packet, and asked for comments.
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35 Commissioners discussed project costs, revenue sources, and feasibility of developing a community
36 gymnasium at Lucchesi Park.
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38 **Carr** – Asked the Commissioners to prioritize the list of projects.
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40 **Marja Tarr** – Asked staff to include revenue sources next to projects listed, and present it back to the
41 Commission so they can prioritize projects.
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43 **Bryant Moynihan** – He asked that staff also include the timing of the expenditures.
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45 **Carr** – Tomorrow, he will be submit the list of projects to the City Council and at the next meeting, he
46 will present the list back to the Commission for review with prioritization suggestions and proposed
47 revenue sources.
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1 **NEW BUSINESS**

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3 **1) Bike Path Signs – Discussion and Possible Action – Bruce Hagen**

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5 **Bruce Hagen** – This Commission along with the Petaluma Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee
6 (PBAC) as a condition of approval for the Washington Creek Village subdivision, (across from the
7 airport entrance on E. Washington St.) have suggested that the developer install multi-use paths on
8 both sides of Washington Creek running the length of the project. PBAC recommended and the City
9 has required the developer to install a trail map kiosk alongside the trail.

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11 Mr. Hagen has been working with project superintendent Jim Hackel and Petaluma High School
12 woodshop instructor Gene Karas to have his students build a sign designed by Bruce Hagen.
13 Mr. Karas and Hagen are interested in having the students make additional signs for other locations
14 around the City (e.g. the new E. Washington Creek Trail, the Library/Swim Center, the
15 Shollenberger/Altman Marsh trail, the future trails along the River and Lafferty), to be funded by local
16 private, and public sponsors, in exchange for having a plaque with their name placed on the kiosk.

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18 **Bruce Hagen** - Will be presenting the prototype of the proposed signage to Ed Anchordoguy for
19 approval.

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21 **Elaine Ramirez** – Suggested publishing bike etiquette in the Parks and Recreation guide.

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23 **Karen Nau** – Suggested that the signs be in English and Spanish

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25 **Carr** – Suggested that “Beware of Pedestrians” be displayed on the signs. Carr indicated that staff will
26 be working with the Bike Committee in the interpretative portion of these signs.

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28 **Hagen** – Ed Anchordoguy and he will working on the maintenance aspects of the signs.

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30 **2) Graffiti Removal Proposal – Discussion and Possible Action - Carr**

31 Item was postponed until next meeting.

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33 **3) Review of Development Projects (Bike Pedestrian Paths)**

- 34 . Sid Common (Oak Creek)
35 . Deer Creek Plaza
36 . Cal Water (La Cresta Drive)
37 . Petaluma Blvd. North Annexation/Jesse Lane

38 It was the general consensus of the Commission to postpone the discussion of this item until next
39 meeting.

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41 **ADJOURNMENT** –

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43 Bruce Hagen moved that the Commission adjourn the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

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