

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS
 PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
 GENOVEVA CHÁVEZ COMMUNITY CENTER
 AUGUST 15, 2017**

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GENOVEVA CHÁVEZ COMMUNITY CENTER, CONFERENCE ROOM
3221 RODEO RD.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2017, 5:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was called to order by Victoria Bruneni, Chair, at 5:30 pm, on Tuesday, August 15, 2017, at the Genoveva Chávez Community Center Conference Room, 3221 Rodeo Rd., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Victoria Bruneni, Chair
Patricia Cardona
Linda Jackson
Terrance Foreback
David Sidebottom
Damon Archuleta

MEMBERS ABSENT

James Stodgel [excused]
Tom Dominguez
Peggy Vasquez

OTHERS PRESENT

Rob Carter, Director, Parks and Recreation Department
Katherine O'Brien, Municipal Tree Board
Eric Aune, MPO Transportation Planner
Carl Boaz for Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Foreback moved to approve the agenda as published.
Commissioner Cardona seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, JUNE 20, 2017

MOTION: Commissioner Jackson moved to approve the minutes of June 20, 2017 as presented. Commissioner Cardona seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

5. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Mr. Carter presented the Department Report:

1. There were 120 participating at the triathlon and they are shooting for 200 participants next year. The youth triathlon was reintroduced and will be included next year. Liz Roybal was asked to chair the Triathlon Committee again. The weather cooperated with the event this year.
2. All median crews have been hired and three landscape companies will also help under contracts. The prison group is out working the roads again. Today they were on Airport Road.
3. The Downtown litter crew was hired and is working from the Plaza outward - seven days a week.
4. Mr. Carter will attend a conference in Bernalillo and be sworn in as President and Janet Romero as Treasurer. He is also going to a national conference in New Orleans in the Fall.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO ASSIST WITH MEDIAN WORK

Mr. Carter read the resolution to explore a public-private partnership for a long-range improvement plan for the gateways and arteries in Santa Fe.

Commissioner Jackson said the resolution seems to be only to prepare a plan.

Mr. Carter assured her that once it is created, they will move on to implement it. City Manager will develop it with City Staff and after PARC approves it, then back to

Council.

Commissioner Jackson thought it would be just like what PARC does.

Mr. Carter said it is not a committee but a plan on what to do over a year to year span and work with the business community to improve entry ways with beautification, signage, etc.

Commissioner Cardona said mostly it is financial. She asked if it is to be developed with bonds issued and who the investors would be.

Mr. Carter said it is part of the 5-year plan for ICIP with a little over \$1 million for it. The community may invest funds also, but there are no bonds.

Commissioner Cardona asked, under the system, if property or tools are purchased, they would remain whose property.

Mr. Carter said they would be City-owned.

Commissioner Cardona asked if the people working in the jobs would have skill development.

Mr. Carter agreed. There is a landscape advisory committee. So he couldn't answer how it will be done but PARC could make a request to get groups like Youthworks involved.

Commissioner Cardona commented that the State also has an entity for skills development that includes more than just work habits. These are good entry-level jobs.

Mr. Carter thought that was a great idea.

Chair Bruneni knew that several medians have been adopted but not maintained.

Mr. Carter said Santa Fe Beautiful works on them. They have pulled a few sponsors because the people are no longer maintaining them. They are supposed to work every week in the summertime. The best is over at the Roundhouse - the most beautiful median is on Paseo.

MOTION: Commissioner Cardona moved to recommend approval of the resolution. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

B. RESOLUTION FOR “EL GRITO” ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

Mr. Carter read the resolution for El Grito.

Chair Bruneni thought PARC supported it last year.

Commissioner Jackson asked what the words at the bottom meant.

Chair Bruneni explained that it is the sponsoring organization - the Mexican Consulate in Albuquerque.

MOTION: Commissioner Cardona moved to recommend approval of the resolution. Commissioner Sidebottom seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Eric Aune asked if he did not make it onto the agenda.

Mr. Carter apologized.

Mr. Aune said he prepared his presentation for today.

Mr. Carter said he would put it on the September agenda.

Chair Bruneni asked if it is time sensitive.

Mr. Aune said it was but that's okay.

Ms. O'Brien said she was going to ask if medians like the one on St. Francis, as a state highway, is still maintained by the City.

Mr. Carter agreed. It is part of their agreement with the State.

Ms. O'Brien said at the last two meetings of the MTB, the attendance was small and the Board has vacancies. It means the Board is stymied many times from lack of participants. The City needs to have the MTB members as part of PARC.

Mr. Carter clarified that the MTB is a subcommittee of PARC with members appointed by the Chair and any others interested would be sent to Chair Bruneni to approve. He is willing to advertise the opening for new members.

Ms. O'Brien said she had received information from City Personnel at the MTB meeting that the members of the Tree Board also had to be members of PARC. One was Richard.

Mr. Carter explained that only the Chairperson is a member of PARC. All the MTB members get minutes. When the Council changed from POSAC to PARC, they were made subcommittees who get updates of this meeting.

So whoever told you that was wrong. You don't have to be members of this Commission. There are already 9 members but Santa Fe has to have a Tree Board to continue being part of the national designation. So, either you or your designee must attend PARC to report for the MTB. The Commission wanted to give you the opportunity to share information with this group for things we could help with.

Ms. O'Brien understood and said she was glad to hear that she didn't have to be a PARC member.

Mr. Carter said he would meet with Matt Ross tomorrow to advertise the position.

Mr. Aune introduced himself as a Transportation Planner, one of two planners for the Santa Fe MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization). The other planner is Mark Tibbetts and they are city employees. A third Staff member with MPO, Keith Wilson, recently moved to Transit. Part of their planning involves parks relating to bikes.

Chair Bruneni said the Commission would look forward to more from him at the next meeting.

8. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Cardona related going to a Master Gardener event two weeks ago and it was wonderful. She heard about the old techniques the Zunis used for water catchment and had fruit trees and fish ponds and nice shading. A beehive there was interesting. It is a garden with natural landscaping, built around a pine tree. There are also micro gardens.

She clarified that the event was here in Santa Fe and the invite was sent to everyone. The community garden was out near the coop.

Commissioner Archuleta commented about Franklin Miles that they need to get more trashcans out there.

Mr. Carter agreed. They also need a drinking fountain. He agreed to remind Mr. Thompson of that.

Commissioner Archuleta said they also need regularity with the lights.

Mr. Carter said they replaced the surge protector so the lights should be good now. They did that on the Plaza. If you see or hear of it any more, please email me.

Commissioner Archuleta said DeVargas downtown also needs that to take care of the problems with the lights.

Mr. Carter agreed to email Chris and Mark tomorrow. It would help to let me know.

9. REPORTS/GOLF AND TREE BOARD

Ms. O'Brien had nothing more to report.

Chair Bruneni did a PSA through Matt Ross on what is happening to the trees. She didn't see it. She understood they approved the IPM Ordinance at Council so some of the Commission's efforts were approved.

Mr. Carter said he would check with Victor Lucero tomorrow.

Commissioner Foreback asked about the Oyster Scale that Mr. Carter had mentioned.

Mr. Carter said Mr. Lucero found some on Alameda today on a tree.

Ms. O'Brien found some in Las Campanas.

Mr. Carter said the woman who reported the oyster scale said she washed it off with soap and water.

Ms. O'Brien asked if she could get notices and emails about PARC.

Mr. Carter said he would with her email address and she gave him her card.

10 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

The Commission agreed to meet on September 19th at the regular time.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Approved by:

Victoria Bruneni, Chair

Submitted by:



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer