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CITY OF SAN FERNANDO

PARKS, WELLNESS, AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025 – 6:30 PM

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
117 MACNEIL STREET
SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA 91340

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

TELECONFERENCE REQUESTS/DISCLOSURE

Recommend consideration of requests received for remote teleconference meeting participation made by members of the City's legislative bodies, as permitted under the provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 2449, Government Code Section 54953, and the City of San Fernando adopted Resolution No. 8215, effective March 1, 2023.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Recommend that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission approve the agenda as presented.

PRESENTATIONS

DECORUM AND ORDER

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be disposed of by a single motion to adopt staff recommendation. If the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission wishes to discuss any item, it should first be removed from the Consent Calendar.

1) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PARKS, WELLNESS, AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR:

- a. November 14, 2024

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

2) SAN FERNANDO FAMILY CENTER AT PUIG'S HOUSE UPDATE

Recommend that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission receive and file this informational update on future plans at the San Fernando Family Center at Puig's House.

3) RUDY ORTEGA SR. PARK MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE REPORT

Recommend that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission receive and file this informational update on the maintenance schedule of Rudy Ortega Sr. Park.

4) CESAR E. CHAVEZ MEMORIAL

Recommend that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission:

- a. Discuss Ad Hoc Committee Updates;
- b. Continue to meet with Pueblo Y Salud until a renovation plan for the Memorial Plaza can be developed; and
- c. Provide staff direction as appropriate.

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5) DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES UPDATE

Recommend that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission:

- a. Receive and file a report updating the programs, services activities, and business conducted by the Recreation and Community Services Department; and
- b. Provide staff direction as appropriate.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

COMMISSIONER UPDATES/REQUESTS TO AGENDIZE ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AT A FUTURE MEETING

Commissioner(s) may request to agendize an item for discussion at a future meeting, subject to approval by the Commission. Requests should align with the commission's scope of responsibility, adhere to City Council policies, and consider the availability of staff resources and budget constraints.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting will adjourn to its next regular meeting.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Dated: _____ at: _____

Signed By: _____

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CITY OF SAN FERNANDO
PARKS, WELLNESS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 14, 2024
ZOOM MEETING STREAMED ON YOUTUBE

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PARKS, WELLNESS AND RECREATION COMMISSION. VIDEO AND AUDIO OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING AT: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CityOfSanFernando>

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair R. Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:32p.m. Administrative Assistant, Linda Bowden-Moreno, called the roll call.

The following persons were recorded as present:

PRESENT:

Commissioners Robert Gonzales, Patty Lopez, Natasha Sanchez-Brooks and Julie Cuellar.

ABSENT:

Commissioner Erica Friend

ALSO PRESENT:

Recreation and Community Services Director Julio Salcedo, Public Works Director Wendell Johnson, Recreation Supervisor Maribel Perez, Administrative Assistant Linda Bowden-Moreno and Office Clerk Soledad Chavez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair R. Gonzales led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chair P. Lopez motioned to approve the agenda for the November 14, 2024 Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting. Commissioner N. Sanchez Brooks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with the following roll call vote:

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AYES: R. Gonzales, P. Lopez, N. Sanchez-Brooks and J. Cuellar.

NOES:

ABSENT: E. Friend

ABSTAIN:

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Ricardo Benitez discussed the Cesar Chavez Memorial being in disrepair. He suggested seeking an organization to adopt the memorial as a project for beautification. In addition, some of the trees along Maclay Street need to be replaced and the faded sign coming in to the City from Laurel Canyon could use some attention.

Manny Granillo addressed the PWR Commission seeking support in recognizing former park directors, Julian Leon and Jess Margarito. Their contributions and mentorship to the community, specifically to the youth, are worthy of memorializing their work with a plaque. This item has been presented to the City Council. Fundraising opportunities are being discussed to cover the costs of the plaque.

Mark Marquez, a longtime resident and former park commissioner, discussed the many contributions made by Julian Leon and Jess Margarito and the importance of recognizing the legacy and impact they made by displaying an honorary plaque.

Rosa Osoria, a City resident, is here to discuss the lack of adequate lighting at Pioneer Park. In addition the score board is not functioning. She asked for the commission to assist in addressing these issues.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair P. Lopez motioned to approve the Consent Calendar approving the Minutes of the October 10, 2024 Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission Meeting.

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Commissioner N. Sanchez-Brooks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: R. Gonzales, P. Lopez, N. Sanchez-Brooks, J. Cuellar

NOES:

ABSENT: E. Friend

ABSTAIN:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

2. PRESENTATION ON THE PACOIMA WASH BIKEWAY PROJECT– Public Works Director Wendell Johnson provided a general update on all infrastructure projects including the Pacoima Wash Bikeway Project which is just about completed. Public Works staff is creating a punch list of items left to complete, such as adding bollards to prevent cars from entering, addressing crosswalk visibility, and other items. At this time, he opened the floor for questions or comments.

3. CESAR E. CHAVEZ MEMORIAL –No update to report

4. DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES – Staff provided an update report on upcoming events, activities and programming. At this time, he opened the floor for questions or comments.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

W. Johnson reported that the Pioneer Park play equipment is complete. Shade sails will be installed in the near future.

M. Perez announced that the RCS Department is promoting the Holiday Class Pass to provide an opportunity for participants to try out leisure classes at no charge through the month of December. Also, the Afterschool Teen Program will be celebrating a *Friendsgiving* event on the 21st and a Holiday MBA tournament in December with the assistance of a coach. Also, the Lopez Adobe will be open for tours during the Holiday Tree Lighting event on December 7, 2024.

J. Salcedo invited everyone to the upcoming Tree Lighting Event that will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2024, in conjunction with the Night Market in the mall.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES/REQUESTS TO AGENDIZE ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AT A FUTURE MEETING

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Commissioner J. Cuellar motioned to agendize an update on future plans at the San Fernando Family Center at Puig's House located at Pioneer Park.

Vice Chair Patty Lopez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: R. Gonzales, P. Lopez, N. Sanchez-Brooks, J. Cuellar

NOES:

ABSENT: E. Friend

ABSTAIN:

Commissioner N. Sanchez-Brooks congratulated staff on the Pioneer Park project and had questions regarding the picnic shelters that are in disrepair.

Vice Chair P. Lopez motioned to agendize an update on the maintenance schedule at Rudy Ortega Park.

Commissioner N. Sanchez-Brooks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: R. Gonzales, P. Lopez, N. Sanchez-Brooks, J. Cuellar

NOES:

ABSENT: E. Friend

ABSTAIN:

Vice Chair P. Lopez commented on the new park signage and the difficulty some park patrons may have in reporting issues regarding maintenance of restrooms. Commissioner J. Cuellar will address this concern at the next Transportation and Public Safety Commission meeting.

Chair R. Gonzales thanked staff and expressed how glad he is to see numerous projects that are in the works and in completion phase for the benefit of the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair R. Gonzales adjourned the Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission meeting at 7:42 p.m.



MEMORANDUM

To: Commission Members

From: Julio Salcedo, Director of Recreation and Community Services

Date: January 9, 2025

Subject: Update on the San Fernando Family Center at Puig's House

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Parks, Wellness and Recreation (PWR) Commission receive and file an update on the San Fernando Family Center at Puig's House.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

This item was added to the agenda by Commissioner Julie Cuellar at the November 14, 2024 Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting.

BUDGET IMPACT

There is no impact to the budget by discussing this item.



To: Commission Members

From: Julio Salcedo, Director of Recreation and Community Services

Date: January 9, 2025

Subject: Update on the Rudy Ortega Sr. Park Maintenance Schedule

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Parks, Wellness and Recreation (PWR) Commission receive and file an update on the Rudy Ortega Sr. Park maintenance schedule.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

This item was added to the agenda by Vice Chair Patty Lopez at the November 14, 2024 Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting.

BUDGET IMPACT

There is no impact to the budget by discussing this item.



MEMORANDUM

To: Commission Members

From: Julio Salcedo, Director of Recreation and Community Services

Date: January 9, 2025

Subject: Cesar E. Chavez Memorial

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Parks, Wellness and Recreation (PWR) Commission receive and file an update on the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Ad Hoc Committee has met previously with Pueblo Y Salud (PYS) to discuss the development of a renovation plan for the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial. The Ad Hoc has met with RCS Director Julio Salcedo to review the existing MOU with Pueblo Y Salud. A date will be scheduled to conduct a tour of the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial and Recreation Park Facility.

This item was originally added to the agenda by Vice Chair Patty Lopez.

BUDGET IMPACT

There is no impact to the budget by discussing this item.



AGENDA REPORT

To: Commission Members

From: Julio Salcedo, Recreation and Community Services Director
By: Maribel Perez, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor
Linda Bowden-Moreno, RCS Administrative Assistant

Date: January 9, 2025

Subject: Department Programming, Services, Activity, and Business Updates

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission:

- a. Receive and file a report updating the programs, services, activities, and business conducted by the Recreation and Community Services Department; and
- b. Provide staff guidance or recommendations, as appropriate.

BACKGROUND:

1. The mission of the Recreation and Community Services Department (RCS) is to develop and implement enriching community, cultural, and recreational opportunities that foster the overall well-being and personal development of our community.
2. The RCS Department conducts a wide array of programs, services, activities, and business throughout the year. Staff provides a monthly update on items discussed at the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission (PWRC) meetings and welcomes any guidance or recommendations regarding the items presented.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Programs and Services

The RCS Department provides a variety of programming and services for the San Fernando community. All Los Angeles County Department of Public Health protocols and Best Practices guidelines for operating recreational facilities are strictly adhered to. Safety is the top priority for RCS staff when conducting activities for the community. All program participants and park

visitors are made aware of safety guidelines being implemented to ensure patrons feel safe while participating in the Department's programs.

Holiday Tree Lighting Event

The City of San Fernando held the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Event on Saturday, December 7, 2024. Among the free-flowing hot cocoa, champurrado and sweet bread, the annual Holiday Tree Lighting was a great opportunity to bring the community together and spread good holiday cheer. Several thousand spectators gathered to anxiously await the lighting of the holiday tree in the City of San Fernando. Like a scene out of a Hallmark movie, children danced and people cheered, as the tree lit up in all its colorful glory. In partnership with the San Fernando Outdoor Market, all enjoyed the many food vendors, local artisans, live music and dance performances and the opportunity to take photos with Santa himself, even the Grinch made a special appearance. The Lopez Adobe was the place to see Santa's workshop in action and for children to partake in various holiday activities. City staff and dignitaries addressed the community and in the holiday spirit, shared the joy of spending this special moment with family, friends, neighbors and all community members. Through this event, the City of San Fernando was able to have a successful kickoff to the holidays that was a resounding success!

Winter Camp

The Winter Camp session concluded on January 3, 2025 with a total of 18 campers enrolled in the program. The children enjoyed working on holiday crafts, science projects and playing a variety of indoor and outdoor games and activities. Be on the lookout for this year's Summer Camp which offers educational activities, swim time at the San Fernando Pool, and field trips. More information to come!

Veteran Recognition Program

The City of San Fernando's Veteran Recognition Program proudly includes the Veteran Banner Program, which honors local veterans by displaying 48 banners throughout Maclay Avenue and Truman Street. These banners showcase the service and dedication of veterans in the community and are displayed from May through mid-November. Applications will be accepted for the program in mid-January. This program is a testament to the City's deep appreciation and respect for the many sacrifices made by local veterans and their families. For more information on this program, please call Las Palmas Park at (818) 898-7340 or email Juan Salas at JSalas@sfcity.org.

Business and Community Resource Center (BCRC)

On December 10, 2024 staff organized an Open House at the Business and Community Resource Center, where 50 guests participated in the event to mark its one-year anniversary. Community members, staff, organizations, and local businesses came together to honor the milestone and network while enjoying snacks and goodies. Visit the BCRC at City Hall to seek information on resources and collaboration opportunities to empower small businesses and strengthen the community.

Vet at the Park

The City of San Fernando in partnership with the Department of Animal Care and Control, held the **Vet@the Park Free Wellness Clinic** on Sunday, December 15, 2024 at Rudy Ortega Sr. Park. Over 250 pets received vaccinations, microchipping, and various other veterinary services at no cost. The City of San Fernando looks forward to continue the partnership with the Department of Animal Care and Control in providing free services to ensure the wellbeing of the community's beloved pets.

CSUN VITA Clinic is ready for the 2025 Tax Season!

Under the supervision of experienced tax practitioners, trained and certified CSUN students provide free tax preparation services (federal and state) to eligible low-income taxpayers. This **Free Income Tax Preparation Program** will be offered once again at Las Palmas Park from January through April of 2025. Professionally trained volunteers can prepare and electronically file your federal and state income tax returns. Appointments will be offered at Las Palmas Park each Friday and Saturday beginning January of 2025. For appointments email vita@csun.edu or call (818) 677-3600.

SENIOR SERVICES

Jingle Bell Rock Out Celebration for Seniors

Approximately 100 seniors gathered in festive attire at Las Palmas Park on Friday, December 20, 2024 to celebrate the holiday season. Participants enjoyed dancing, treats, raffles and more. It was a great opportunity for seniors to wear their most festive sweaters and enjoy a fun afternoon celebration with friends.

Senior Meals

In partnership with ONEgeneration, Las Palmas Park continues to host the Elderly Nutrition Program (ENP) for seniors. Stop by and register with the ONEgeneration team, Rene and Hayle, and enjoy a delicious and nutritious hot meal! Folks that are 60+ can qualify for this free program (suggested donation is \$3) Mondays through Fridays. If you know of anyone that is 60+ and is homebound, ONEgeneration can deliver hot meals 5 days a week! For more information please call (818) 898-7340.

Platicas de la Vida con Café

In partnership with the Department of Mental Health, Las Palmas Park is hosting workshops to discuss and offer assistance to those dealing with emotional trauma, anxiety and everyday life situations. Classes are held in Spanish on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 9:00 am. Please contact Las Palmas Park at (818) 898-1290 for more information.

Los Angeles Regional Food Bank Distribution

The Regional Food Bank monthly distribution was held on Monday, January 6, 2025 from 9:00am-11:00am and distributed approximately 230 food kits. This program continues to serve

seniors age 60+ on a monthly basis at Las Palmas Park. This drive-through food program provides a free food kit containing nutritious items such as meats, canned fruits and vegetables, cereals and grains. The program serves an average of over 200 seniors monthly. The next distribution will be held on Monday, February 3, 2025. For more information on food assistance programs please contact Las Palmas Park at (818) 898-7340.

Painting at the Park

This step-by-step art class teaches seniors self-expression through art in creating their very own masterpiece. This class offers the tools to learn techniques and discover creativity in painting. Supplies and instruction are provided. The next class is scheduled on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 11:00 am at Las Palmas Park.

Monthly Matinee

Every first Thursday of the month, Las Palmas Park is transformed into a matinee featuring family friendly films and treats. The activity is open to the public and showtime is at 12:00 pm.

Doc Talk Workshop

Las Palmas Park continues to host Doc Talk workshops to discuss important health and wellness issues. A medical doctor is present to provide information and answer questions. Lunch is provided, courtesy of Regal Medical Group. The next workshop is scheduled on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 12:00 pm and will discuss topics related to blood pressure. Please contact Las Palmas Park at (818) 898-17340 for more information.

Intro to Computers

The *Intro to Computers* class is geared for seniors to learn basic computer skills and important tips on navigating the internet securely, including how to identify safe websites and avoid common online threats. Additionally, participants will practice typing and become familiar with keyboard functions to improve their technology skills. The next session will be held at 9:30 am on January 29, 2025 at Las Palmas Park.

Senior Club News

The Monthly Senior Dance was held on Wednesday, December 31, 2024 at Las Palmas Park. Seniors danced to the sounds of great DJ music to ring in the New Year. Doors opened at 7:00 pm. Ticket prices were \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members. The next Senior Dance is scheduled on Saturday, February 15, 2025 to celebrate Valentine's Day. For more information call Las Palmas Park at (818) 898-7340.

Senior Club Monthly Meetings occur on the first Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm at Las Palmas Park. Seniors interested in becoming active and involved in the Senior Club may attend meetings or call 818-898-7340 for more details.

Senior Club Membership 2025

Membership dues and registrations for 2025 are now being accepted for Senior Club members at Las Palmas Park. Membership is a great way to get involved with the Las Palmas Senior Club and also receive discounts on dance tickets and trip rates. The cost of membership is \$42 annually.

Ongoing Senior Programs

The following senior activities are ongoing. For more details on programs and activities, please call Las Palmas Park at 818-898-7340 or visit the City Website at www.sfcity.org.

Music Class

Clase de Canto

Bingo

Arthritis Exercise

Crafty Ladies

Manejo Personal de Diabetes

Walkable Wednesday

Classes de Ingles

Adult Coloring

Senior Zumba

Chair Yoga

SOCIAL SERVICES

San Fernando After School Teen Program

The After School Teen Program is going strong! The program offers early open gym for teens only, a game room with Playstation 5, foosball, a ping pong table, board games, as well as homework assistance and school supplies. The program operates Monday through Friday, from 3 pm to 6 pm at San Fernando Recreation Park located at 208 Park Ave. For more information, please call (818) 898-1290.

Teens for a Better Community

On December 7, staff hosted a Teens for a Better Community (TBC) booth where teens practiced public speaking and engaging with the community. The teens distributed free books to promote literacy, coloring books with crayons, face masks, and flyers informing the community about the TBC program and the afterschool program. Meetings are now held in the new teen lounge

located at Recreation Park. For more information please call (818) 898-7340 or email jsalas@sfcity.org.

RECREATION

Leisure & Fitness Classes

Classes are currently in session and available for registration in-person by visiting one of the park offices or online by visiting www.sfcity.org/sfrecreation.

- **3 Wins Fitness San Fernando**
Mon, Wed & Fri | 8:15am | Recreation Park
- **Total Body Conditioning**
Mon-Thur | 7:00pm | Recreation Park
- **Inclusive Zumba**
Mon & Wed | 6:00pm | Recreation Park
- **Folklorico**
Wed & Fri | 7pm | Las Palmas Park
- **Shotokan Karate**
Saturdays | 9am | Las Palmas Park
- **Senior Music**
Tuesdays | 9am | Las Palmas Park
- **Clase de Canto**
Thursdays | 9am | Las Palmas Park

Youth Basketball Winter Season

Calling all youth ages 7-16, grab your sneakers and basketballs and head over to Recreation Park! There's still time to join the upcoming season of Youth Basketball. The season begins in January and registrations will remain open through January 24, 2025 or until all divisions are at capacity. Register online or call (818) 898-1290 for more information.

Mission City Baseball Spring Season

It's time for MISSION CITY BASEBALL! Registrations are now open for the Spring 2025 season of Mission City Baseball. The league is open to youth ages 3-14, and is a great program for both beginners and advanced players. Register before January 31, 2025 to take advantage of the \$20 discount! For more information call (818) 898-1290.

Volunteer Coaches Needed for Youth Sports

The Recreation and Community Service Department is always on the lookout for volunteer coaches for the sports programs. For the safety of participants and volunteers, interested individuals must undergo a background check (cost covered by the City) and complete online sport-specific trainings prior to being assigned. Volunteers also receive registration discounts

which are effective once all requirements are met. For more information on how to become a volunteer call (818) 898-1290.

Lopez Adobe Tours

Tours of the Lopez Adobe go dark in the month of January and will resume on Sunday, February 23, 2025, from 1pm to 4pm. The yearly tour calendar will be available in March. For private or special tour requests, please call the Recreation and Community Services Department office at (818) 898-1290.

Fields Closed for Maintenance

Baseball fields at all City parks are closed for annual maintenance from December through February. Programming and permit processing will resume in early March. The Recreation and Community Services Department thanks the community for their patience and understanding during the maintenance period.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The programs, services, activity, and business updates in this report are part of the Department's work plan and funds have been allocated for such work in the current fiscal year budget.

CONCLUSION:

It is recommended that the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission receive and file the Department Update Report and provide any guidance or recommendations as appropriate.