

MINUTES – MORRO BAY RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING –JUNE 22, 2010

MORRO BAY COMMUNITY CENTER – 5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hale called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Commissioner Munoz, Commissioner Sidaris, Commissioner Ayoob, Chair Hale, Staff Woods. ABSENT: Commissioner Croley, Commissioner Bates.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Neil Farrell, Morro Bay – Member of Morro Bay 4th, Inc. Raised more than \$30,000 for this year's fireworks show. There will be a kids' bike parade at 12 noon from Morro Rock to Tidelands Park. Opening ceremonies will be at 1:00 p.m. at Tidelands Park. There will be bands, kids' games and activities throughout the day. Fireworks will be at 9:00 p.m. For a complete schedule of events you can go to www.morrobay4th.net

Nancy Castle, Morro Bay – There will be live streaming of the Morro Bay 4th of July event at www.slospan.org. We will also have the chess pieces out at the giant Chessboard and the public is invited to come down and play.

Chair Hale closed the hearing for Public Comment.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the Commission, the following items are approved without discussion.

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY 25, 2010 MEETING

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-2 CITIZEN'S REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-3 YOUTH SERVICES SUMMARY FOR MAY 2010
SPORTS AND FITNESS SUMMARY FOR MAY 2010
FACILITIES AND PARK USE FOR MAY 2010

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-4 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

Chair Hale requested Item A-4 Recreation and Parks Department Status Report be pulled and have staff give some key highlights.

Staff reported starting July 1, 2010 the Recreation and Parks Department will be responsible for the maintenance of City Buildings, Public Parks, Streets, Street Trees and City Vehicles. Staff recently signed the grant agreement with the California Energy Commission for Energy Efficient Improvement Projects. The Pool Study has been completed and staff will request a presentation from the Pool groups for an upcoming Commission meeting. The Department will be offering a Beach Camp Program to supplement the Junior Lifeguard program. The Teen Advisory Committee is getting out in to the community and will be putting on the Kiddie Carnival at the 4th of July event.

Chair Hale asked if the Beach Camp is available for kids who did not participate in the Junior Lifeguard Program. Staff replied the camp is open to everyone but is limited to 20 persons.

Commissioner Munoz inquired if funding will be coming over with the maintenance consolidation. Staff stated General Fund monies that have been allocated will be coming over. He added that streets have been supplemented with Measure Q monies.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz moved the Commission approve Consent Calendar Items A-1, A-2, A-3 and A-4 for file. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (4-0)

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

C-1 CONFIRMATION OF THE ANNUAL PARKS TOUR DATE, TIME, AND ROUTE

Staff recommended the Recreation and Parks Commission confirm the date, time and route for the annual tour of City Parks. At the May 25, 2010 meeting it was moved and seconded to have the Parks Tour on July 27, 2010 in lieu of the regular monthly meeting. We will meet at the Morro Bay Community Center at 5:30 p.m. and ride the Trolley to include all the parks along the Embarcadero and three of the larger parks that are heavily used.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz moved the Commission accept the Parks Tour as presented in the Staff Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (4-0)

D. NEW BUSINESS

D-1 RECOMMENDATION TO USE PARK-IN-LIEU FUNDS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE INITIAL STUDY-MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND COMPLETION OF THE CEQA DOCUMENT FOR THE TEEN CENTER MASTER PLAN

Staff recommends the Commission approve and recommend to the City Council the use of up to \$30,000 of Park-in-Lieu funds for the preparation and completion of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for the Teen Center Master Plan. Staff worked with RRM Design to develop the Master Plan for the Teen Center. The Master Plan was reviewed by the Commission and adopted by the City Council in 2006. City Council then directed staff to seek funds to complete the plan. The Teen Center Master Plan is an eligible project as defined in Proposition 84, Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008 and Nature Education Facilities Grant Program. Staff has included a proposal from Rincon consultants to prepare the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Chair Hale inquired about the size of the in ground Skate Park. Staff answered the size is comparable to the Templeton Skate Park. The elements within the project will be the same but the configuration will be changed. Chair Hale stated assuming the preliminary steps are successful, how many years out is it viable. When could we see it built as master planned. Staff replied if we are successful in securing funds from Proposition 84, probably 3 – 5 years if everything goes well. Staff added Proposition 84 is huge as it is non matching funds.

Commissioner Ayoob asked if the existing Teen Center will remain the same. Staff replied it will remain the same, this will be an addition. Staff added that during construction we hope to remain open but there will probably be times when it will be necessary to be closed.

MOTION: Commissioner Munoz recommended to staff to forward to City Council to use up to \$30,000 of Park-in-Lieu Funds for the preparation of the Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration and completion of CEQA document for the Teen Center Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sidaris and carried. (4-0)

D-2 RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT PROGRAM EVALUATIONS

None

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Staff Woods said he will bring an update on the smoking ordinance to a future meeting.

Chair Hale would like the 4th of July committee report back on their event.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Sidaris, second by Commissioner Ayoob. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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