

MEETING MINUTES VENTURA COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION (PAC) REGULAR MEETING

PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION 800 South Victoria Avenue, L#5140 Ventura, California 93009-1030

Government Center

Hall of Administration, Atlantic Conference Room
800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA

January 10, 2022

4:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Proceedings called to order via Zoom at 4:08 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Carin Kally, Caitlin Barringer, June Dubreuil, Paul Nicholson

PAC Staff: Colter Chisum, Jeri Cooper, Linda Cruz

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dubreuil presides as Chair. Minutes of the October 18, 2021, 2021 PAC meeting were approved. All in favor.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Old business approved as presented. All in favor.

- A. Rincon Paving Project
- B. Lewis Road Park Project Status Update
- C. Oak Park Prop 68 Grant
- D. Rincon Refuse and LNT Grant
- E. Santa Rosa Valley Regional Park RV Camping
- F. Toland Park conversion of some day-use to camping

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Update to Rent & Fee Policy and Parks Ordinances

Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for February 8. Chisum reviewed the suggested changes to the rent and fee schedule which includes reducing camping cancellation window and penalties. Rates will be more consistent and in line with comparative campgrounds. Vouchers will be removed and replaced with "out-of-policy refunds". Existing vouchers to be honored up to five years. Minor changes have been recommended for community center rates and policies. Rincon ordinance change to littering fine recommended to match State fines. Discussion followed regarding possible 2023 update to discounts for veterans and disabled. Commissioners all in favor of recommended changes.

B. Jose Flores Community Center Project & Saticoy Park Visioning

Cooper showed the Clean California Grant application slideshow to be presented at the upcoming Saticoy MAC with District 1. Cooper described the project to include the purchase of an adjacent property that is currently undeveloped and an eyesore in the

community. Cooper intends to develop this parcel as a passive use park space to complement the community center and honor the Chumash heritage of Saticoy.

C. Cal Fire Prevention Grant Application

Cooper explained the Soule Park Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Tree Planting Project which includes removing approximately 85 dead or declining trees and re-establishing the urban forest. Discussion continued regarding the effect of the drought on the trees, current irrigation settings and water availability.

Cooper asked the commission for letters of support for each grant project.

D. Itinio Reservation System

An update on the Itinio reservation system was given by Chisum. Conversion is on schedule to take place March 1.

E. Important Dates

Cooper listed upcoming dates and possible activities to be scheduled by the Parks Department to recognize these dates:

June 4 National Trails Day

July is Recreation & Parks Month

September 17 Coastal Clean Up Day

September 24 National Public Lands Day

7. PARK PROJECT UPDATES

A. Rincon Parking and Striping

Chisum described the upcoming striping project with CalTrans and the possible use of Punta Gorda lot and Shell Oil lot near oil piers for overflow parking on the Rincon.

B. Saticoy Golf Course

Chisum gave an update on the design progress.

C. Toland – Phase 1

Brushing is ongoing and looking good.

D. Lewis Road Demonstration Garden

Chisum will be meeting with designers for a scaled-back version of plan.

8. STAFF COMMENTS

None.

9. <u>COMMISSIONER COMMENTS</u>

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.