



RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MINUTES

Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Kerman City Hall, 850 S. Madera Avenue, Kerman, CA 93630

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

A. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

B. Roll Call

PRESENT

Lora Nehring
Mike Teixeira
Daniel Perez

ABSENT

Katie Wettlaufer
Ismael Herrera
Jennifer Coleman

C. Pledge of Allegiance

2. AGENDA APPROVAL / ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

To accommodate members of the public or convenience in the order of presentation, items on the agenda may not be presented or acted upon in the order listed.

Motion made by Teixeira, Seconded by Perez.

Voting Yea: Nehring

3. REQUEST TO ADDRESS COMMISSION

This portion of the meeting is reserved for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are not on the Agenda and are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. It is requested that no comments be made during this period on items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to address the Commission on items on the Agenda should notify the Chairperson when that Agenda item is called, and the Chairperson will recognize your discussion at that time. It should be noted that the Commission is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda. Speakers are asked to please use the microphone, and provide their name and address.

None

4. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST REGULAR MEETING

A. Minutes - 09/16/2025 (AV)

Tabled for lack of voting quorum

B. Minutes - 11/18/2025 (AV)

Motion made by Perez, Seconded by Teixeira.

Voting Yea: Nehring

5. PRESENTATIONS

6. DEPARTMENT UPDATES AND CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. SUBJECT: Kerman Safe Route to Schools & ADA Plan (JG)

RECOMMENDATION: None

Presentation by Jesus Gonzalez with Yamabe & Horn Engineering.

MT: Mentions the changes around Plaza Park on Hwy 145 are quite extensive. JG states the designs are conceptual at this time.

LN: question is inaudible, was regarding creating fence opening at the crosswalk of Hwy 145 & C Street. JG stated once this project comes to fruition, it will be examined analyzed further.

LN: asked if the area of San Joaquin Ave & Madera Ave (Hwy 145) is not in the city's control, but of Caltrans jurisdiction. JG stated that is correct and this plan is currently under review with Caltrans. They will come back with their comments. JG states they have worked with the city on other bulbouts.

LN: Do we have any control over the crosswalk going in at First & Whitesbridge (Hwy 180)? JG the current project underway is going to be completed by Caltrans. JG asked what the concerns area? LN asked if the median island going to have signage? Because it is so low, it might not be visible. Asked if there will be flashing lights? JG stated there will be overhead, flashing lights. It will be an enhanced crosswalk.

LN: mentioned that First & Kearney needs cross guard/cross walk assistance. Kids walk dangerously. JG took note of that location.

LN: asked if the alleyways are taken into consideration with this proposal? JG stated there are alleyways adjacent to the high school that falls under this plan but is not in this presentation. LN mentioned that kids tend to fly out the alleyway near Liberty Elementary, parallel to E Street which runs into Park Ave.

LN: Do we get funding from any other sources, like measures/tax increases/sales taxes from businesses or is this all grant funding? JG stated that the grants do have a local match component, typically 11% for CalTrans projects so we do need to come up with local dollars.

Notes from JJ: First St crossing at Whitesbridge; Alleys; Trails Speed limits

LN: With development coming near Harvest Elementary and city limits expanding, is it a safe assumption that things will be added on to these projects? JJ stated most of those additional curb/gutter/ramps will come through the development.

MT: Suggests added to title "Safe Routes to Schools & Parks" maybe consider a trail system in between schools and parks. LN mentioned that there is a trail already in the master plan that will connect around the city. JG did mention there is plans to eventually make more trails.

LN: With more ebikes/motor powered bikes, is there anything in the ordinances to address driving on sidewalks, safety etc. JJ states the city is working on this specific issue, to update/enhance current ordinances to include these bikes.

MT: Question about speed on Del Norte, south of Whitesbridge. 35mph by the school seems to fast. JG stated that there is a plan to do a engineering traffic study in the very near future. MT mentioned the area around Liberty Elementary on Siskiyou as well. JJ mentioned the city does periodically does speed/safety surveys, using counters for volume as well as for measures for speed to determine if speed adjustments (Higher or lower). JJ also said some areas may also need new/additional signage.

B. SUBJECT: Recreation Division Updates (TJ)

RECOMMENDATION: None

C. SUBJECT: Park and Facility Updates (TJ)

RECOMMENDATION: None

MT: Any movement on the Hart Ranch Railroad property purchase? JJ said that the discussion with the railroad are moving along and talks are positive.

LN: Asked if the sign at Hart Ranch will be moving, due to low visibility? A few items are blocking the sign. TJ mentioned that will be discussed soon.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. COMMISSIONER'S REQUESTS AND COMMENTS:

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:06pm

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MINUTES CERTIFICATION

I, Arlene Villarreal, Administrative Assistant for the City of Kerman, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the above minutes are a true depiction of all actions taken at the Parks & Recreation

Commission meeting held on the first date above written at Kerman City Hall, 850 S. Madera Ave, Kerman, CA.

Date: DECEMBER 16, 2025 /s/ Arlene Villarreal, Administrative Assistant