

Recreation Commission

Karen Baldrige, Chair
Shannan Ovard, Vice Chair
Larry Carmona
Joser Rosales
Jason Ovitz

CITY OF ORLAND



Recreation Commission Minutes

February 28th, 2024

Meeting will be held at Carnegie Center

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Baldrige at 6:30pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Commission members present: Chair Karen Baldrige, Vice-Chair Shannan Ovard, Commissioner Ovitz and Commissioner Larry Carmona

Commission members absent: Joser Rosales.

Staff present: Recreation Director Joe Fenske

4. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizen Comments:

Any person may address the Recreation Commission at this time upon any subject within the authority of the Recreation Commission; however, the public is advised to limit discussion to one presentation per individual. Oral communications will be limited to three minutes. Please state your name and address for the record.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approve Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes from September 27th, 2023

Vice-Chair Ovard moved to approve, Commissioner Carmona seconded. Motion passed 4-0

6. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, AND ACTIONS

A. Appoint Commission Chair and Vice Chair

Vice Chair Ovard nominated Commissioner Carmona for chair, seconded by Commissioner Ovitz. Motion passed 4-0.

Vice Chair Ovard nominated Commissioner Baldrige for Vice Chair, seconded by Carmona. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Location of Potential Dog Park (Discussion and Action)

Recreation Director Joe Fenske presented to the Commission positive and negatives of a City Dog Park at the east end of Lollipop Land and area that is currently unused. The Commission discussed the location and made a recommendation to the City Council. Commissioner Ovitz made a motion, seconded by Vice

Chair Baldrige, to set a budget to not exceed \$15,000 and build a Dog Park at the east end of Lollipop Land. Motion carried 4-0.

C. County ARPA Funding – Projects and Programs (Staff Update)

Recreation Director Joe Fenske updated the Recreation Commission on the County ARPA funding. He said that the county award 200,000 to the City, of that 20,000 is set aside for the pool for swimming lessons classes. Mr. Fenske said that there will be a Parent in Me class the 2nd week of June. Mr. Fenske stated there was enough funds to have multiple swimming lessons classes. No action was needed.

D. Bihler Field Feasibility Study (Discussion)

Mr. Fenske presented the Field Feasible study to the Recreation Commission. Mr. Fenske stated not cost estimates were provided to the City. What was provided was pictures of what Bihler field could be turned into. Multiple designs were provided to the City. Mr. Fenske stated this was a multiyear project and currently there is no funding for the project.

E. Recreation Program Fees (Discussion and Potential Recommendation)

Mr. Fenske said the City publishes a fee schedule for rental use of recreation facilities and for participation in recreation programs. The objective of these fees is to provide partial recovery of the costs associated with construction, maintenance of facilities, purchase of equipment and supplies, and related labor – within the bounds of resident’s ability to pay for the service provided. Fees were recently increased in 2014, 2016, 2019, and 2022 due to minimum wage increase and inflation. Key to the proposal and consideration process was striking a balance between the City’s costs and avoidance of exceeding residents ability to pay.

After a lengthy discussion the Recreation Commission voted 4-0 to adjust Recreation Fees.

Please see attachment of past fees vs new recommended fees.

7. Attachment

History of Recreation Department Fees

8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

No commissioner reports at this time.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm