

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES – January 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Dean called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Allmann, Baranoff, Brand, Dean, Gorham, Radenheimer

Commissioners Absent: Spiller

Staff Present: Sue Richardson, Community Services Director

Public: Gene Carpenter, Eileen Schmitz, John Schmitz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 14, 2018. Commissioner Allmann motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Radenheimer. Motion passed, with all in favor. Commissioner Brand abstained.

PARK INSPECTION REPORTS:

Q4 2018 Park Inspection Reports will be reviewed at a future meeting. Q1 2019 Park Inspection Reports due before next meeting.

APPROVAL OF 2019 WORK PLAN:

Discussed the 2019 Work Plan. Commissioner Baranoff motioned to approve the Plan, seconded by Commissioner Allmann. Motion passed, with all in favor.

CITY UPDATES/EVENTS:

Community Services Director Richardson gave the following updates:

- The La Mesita Park ribbon cutting ceremony for the new playground will take place on Tuesday, January 15 at 12:30 p.m.
- MacArthur Park ADA picnic area project is going out to bid. City will also apply for funding from the County.
- La Mesa Beautiful's new quarterly "Shrub Club" meetings will take place quarterly on the second Wednesday of the month, January 9, April 10, July 10, and October 9.
- The rehabilitation, lease and operation of the former MacArthur Park golf course club house is open to bid again. Commissioner Radenheimer suggested the City notify organizations such as the La Mesa Village Association.
- The new Adult Enrichment Center Supervisor started in November.
- Livable La Mesa project through AARP's Livable Communities initiative will take place in January and February, featuring a number of events and livability surveys that will be sent to all residents age 45 and older.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

- Commissioner Allmann shared that kids are back at school after the holiday break.
- Commissioner Baranoff shared Regional Task Force on the Homeless "We All Count" info.
- Commissioner Brand told us that the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) are having their annual meeting in San Diego in November and is offering a legacy project to design a project to be installed after the meeting. Many EXPO exhibitors donate products and plants each year for the project, allowing ASLA to give back to the city that hosts the meeting. Commissioner Brand is exploring submitting La Mesa's community garden for consideration.
- Commissioner Dean thanked the City Council for agreeing with the Commission's recommendations to move forward with the MacArthur Park master plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Schmitz, President of the Friends of the Library, is celebrating their 50th Anniversary in March and will be looking to do fundraising.

Gene Carpenter thanked the Commissioners for serving on the commission.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

The March meeting will be the Livable La Mesa presentation.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Dean adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m., to the next regularly scheduled meeting on February 13, 2019 at the Adult Enrichment Center.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan Richardson", written over a horizontal line.

Susan Richardson