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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CONVENED  
THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2015, AT 6:30 P.M.  
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1424 MISSION STREET**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Chair Salinas convened the Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission at 6:30 p.m.

Staff L. Hakobian called the roll. Present were Commissioner Members Rosen, Taylor, Chair Salinas, and Vice Chair Zavala.

Absent: Commissioner Gin

Other Officials and Staff present: City Council Liaison Mahmud arrived at 7:05 p.m., Community Services Director/Staff Liaison Pautsch, and Community Services Supervisor Hakobian.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2015.**

**MOTION:** Commission approved the minutes of the regular March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Rosen, Taylor)

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mayor Bob Joe personally thanked the Commissioners for their due diligence in recommending good, sound public policy efforts, as well as how well they work with Community Services Director Pautsch. Mayor Joe informed the Commission of the upcoming Special Olympics and the events that are scheduled. He will make available \$1000 from his discretionary funds for the Special Olympics. With respect to the Eddie Park Bridge, Mayor Joe informed the Commission that Councilmember Cacciotti has given \$200 from his discretionary funds to assist with this project. He also mentioned that

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Councilmember Dr. Khubesrian asked the Girl Scouts to return to a future Council Meeting should they seek more funding.

#### **4. PRESENTATIONS/ (ACTION/DISCUSSION)**

None

#### **5. APPROVAL OF FIELD PERMITS**

Community Services Supervisor Hakobian presented the 2015 Fall Permit requests. The 1<sup>st</sup> Applicant is AYSO requesting use of Arroyo South, Arroyo North, and Orange Grove fields. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Applicant is SPLL requesting use of Orange Grove field. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Applicant is Holy Family School requesting use of Orange Grove field.

**MOTION:** Commission approved the field permit requests for Fall 2015. By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Zavala, Rosen)

#### **6. FORMALIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE EDDIE PARK BRIDGE**

Community Services Director Pautsch reported that the city is committed to the new bridge replacement by the Girl Scouts and city staff would handle ongoing maintenance on the bridge and the garden.

Lisa Pendleton, 1241 Blair Avenue, South Pasadena, was disappointed that the old bridge had not been discussed by the Commission prior to it being disposed of. Troop #3161 has stepped forward to replace the bridge. Suggestion was made by Community Services Director Pautsch to add a plaque noting the work of the Girl Scouts. Community Services Director Pautsch reported that due to liability issues, the old bridge was removed. Staff did not receive any push back when they notified the Service Unit Manager. The footings of the old bridge were detached and deteriorated over time.

**MOTION:** Commission approved the new Girl Scout Bridge and plaque at Eddie Park. By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Salinas, Rosen)

Mayor Bob Joe reported on the Eggstravaganza event that had a great turnout. He was pleased with the new sponsor, New York Life, who sponsored the petting zoo.

#### **7. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT**

City Council Liaison Mahmud attended the Community Garden Meeting which has an opening date of May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Signups for the plots will take place on April 25<sup>th</sup>. She reported

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the \$200 discretionary funds allocated by Council member Cacciotti towards the replacement of the Eddie Park Bridge.

#### **8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Vice Chair Zavala is being more vigilant with water conservation. Commissioners Taylor and Rosen did not have anything to report. Chair Salinas shared his loss of the poker game at the Tournament of Roses Spring Fling event. He reported that the new light fixtures at the War Memorial have made such an improvement to the facility.

#### **9. STAFF LIAISON REPORT**

Community Services Director Pautsch reported that the interior painting of the War Memorial Building is scheduled for June. The opening of the Community Garden is scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Even though she did not attend the Eggstravaganza event, she reported that it was a success.

**MOTION:** Chair Zavala requested the Dog Park item be placed on the May agenda.

By unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

(Salinas, Zavala)

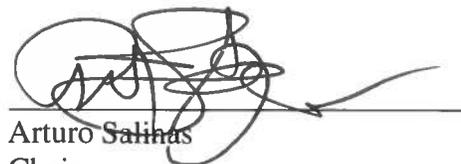
#### **ADJOURNMENT**

By consensus, the Commission adjourned at 7:25 p.m. The next Commission meeting will be held on Monday, May 11, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
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Sheila Pautsch  
Community Services Director

Approved By:

  
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Arturo Salinas  
Chair