

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF HOLLISTER**

Minutes of a Special Joint Meeting
with
Park and Recreation Commission
June 28, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

The special meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Ignacio Velazquez, on June 28, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 375 Fifth Street, Hollister, California.

ROLL CALL: Roll was answered as follows:

PRESENT: Mayor Ignacio Velazquez, City Council Members Karson Klauer, Raymond Friend; Commissioners Jason Ballew, Amanda Kennison, Karen Percival and Recreation Supervisor Tina Garza; City Manager William Avera, City Attorney Bradley Sullivan, Deputy City Clerk Christine Black.

ABSENT: Council Members Mickie Solorio Luna, Victor Gomez, Chief of Police David Westrick, City Clerk Thomas Graves

Pledge of Allegiance

Verification of Agenda Posting

The Agenda for the City Council Meeting of June 28, 2016 was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall on June 23, 2016 at 3:40 p.m. per Government Code Section 54954.2.

1. Policies Goals and Objectives on New and Existing Parklands, including Frank Klauer Memorial Dog Park and the Skatespot at Dunne Park.

Council Member Luna present at 6:10 p.m.

Council Member Gomez present at 6:11 p.m.

City Manager Avera presented a report on the Parks Master Plan, identify projects and work in steps to implement; incorporate a plan to move reclaimed water away from Brigantino Park. Currently working toward an RFP/Q to be out shortly and have a contract to Council soon, but due to CEQA reviews, the process may take longer. We are looking at the High School District joint use agreements as limited use agreements.

Council discussed maintaining and improving the existing parks, communication with neighboring communities of parks and the community as a whole so every voice is heard; fulfilling requests already received by our community and adding skate facilities to other parks; requested the addition of a fence to Aquirre Park and maintaining picnic tables at Park Hill, and would like to receive agendas on the Park and Recreation Commission Meetings; wondered what happened with the discussions on partnering with the County for aquatics, tennis and other activities that seemed to have stopped.

Commissioner Ballew who is also a member of the County Park and Recreation Commission shared that the County is holding off on all of this at this time and not moving forward with partnering on the shared facilities; but if the City did the legwork, the County may be more apt to buy in.

Commissioners added to the discussion that they are working on their Bylaws; and would like jobs to do and are ready to help out; would like to better their relationships with the Council.

Commissioner Percival stated she would like to stay focused on the purpose of Dunne Park, and maintain the vision.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

Kim Norris-supports an additional dog park.

Robin Pollard-supports a pool on Park Hill.

Anita Kane-as a former urban designer, supports a professional designer for park layouts prior to a Master Plan.

Council added that the meeting was appreciated; the Commissioners work and input is extremely valuable and looked forward to continued work together, and appreciated the ability to tell their constituents what is happening with our parks.

ADJOURNMENT:

RF/VG 8-0-0 There being no further business to come before the City Council, the special joint meeting of June 28, 2016, was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Black, CMC
Deputy City Clerk