

Regular Meeting
Parks, Recreation, Marina and Cultural Commission
October 21, 2014
Martinez, CA

APPROVED NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Chair Dylan Radke called the Regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, Marina and Cultural Commission to order at 7:00 pm, in the Council Chambers, 525 Henrietta Street, Martinez, CA.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Dylan Radke, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner Gay Gerlack, Commissioner Don Pallotta, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Brian Eychner and Vice Chair Karen Bell-Patten
Staff present: Senior Civil Engineer Joe Enke, Recreation Coordinator Barbara Patchin, and Minutes Clerk Robin Agostino.

2. PRESENTATION(S) NONE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT: Kristen Henderson urged the Commission to support the rehab of the Martinez Post Office on Court Street. Harlan Strickland echoed Ms. Henderson's request.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the minutes of September 16, 2014, with corrections by Commissioner Gerlack Seconded by Commissioner Olsson Passed 8 – 0 by the following vote: All Ayes Chair Dylan Radke, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner Gay Gerlack, Commissioner Don Pallotta, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Brian Eychner and Vice Chair Karen Bell-Patten

5. ACTION ITEM (S) FOR REQUEST

- a. Library Community Meeting Room Policy: Motion to approve Library Community Meeting Room Policy by Commissioner Bell-Patten. Seconded by Commissioner Fuller. Passed 8 – 0 by the following vote: All Ayes Chair Dylan Radke, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner Gay Gerlack, Commissioner Don Pallotta, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Brian Eychner and Vice Chair Karen Bell-Patten.

6. SUBCOMMITTEE(S) REPORTS

Measure H Bond Oversight Committee: Commissioner Patchin recapped what has been completed and what is yet to come. The remaining \$5,000,000 in bonds will be sold in 2015, but not too early as interest payments start when the bonds are sold. There is still a major project remaining, and he reported tomorrow night there is to be a public workshop for the Waterfront Park. He reported he has served the two, two year terms allowed, as a representative from the Park, Recreation, Marina, and Cultural Commission. He will be submitting an application for the Bond Oversight Committee as a Member at Large. The Commission will need to appoint a member of the PRMCC to the subcommittee at the November meeting. The remaining parks proposed in the bond to be completed are: Alhambra, Foothill, Golden Hills, Highland Avenue, John Muir and Morello. During the past fiscal year, the Committee met and reviewed the expenses and projects funded by the bond, after which the City Treasurer Carolyn Robinson then made a verbal report to Council advising them of the activities of the Committee and the progress of the projects. The Committee met on October 2, 2014 and determined, based on the documents submitted by staff, the City expended bond proceeds only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure. Fiscal Year 2013-14 ended with a restricted fund balance of \$6,578,592.

Waterfront Park: Chair Radke explained after the plans are approved by the PRMCC, the plans will go to City Council, if the plans exceed the funding, only the Council can approve using East Bay Regional Park District WW Bond monies.

Susana Park: Commissioner Patchin reported the plans have been referred back to the architect.

Marina: Commissioner Olsson reported he attended a Council Marina Waterfront Subcommittee meeting along with Mayor Schroder and Councilmember Mike Menesini concerning the fire on the fishing pier. He reported the damage was \$75,000 to the structure and \$5,000 to the electrical. The City is insured for the fire with a \$25,000 deductible. City Staff has received estimates from specialized contractors for the work to repair the area of the pier that was damaged. Commissioner Olsson further reported that the pilings are sound so the bulk of the work is the demolition and replacement/repair of the pier decking, railing and stringers. Some areas were inaccessible for inspection, so there is always the chance that more work will need to be done. These estimates did not include the cost for electrical restoration and the possibility of installing an access gate. City staff will request an amended estimate for the electrical component, as both of the primary contractors have subcontractors that perform electrical work. The electrical portion of the cost should be significantly less than the other work. The current understanding is that an access gate, if desired, would be done following the replacement/repair work.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS: Commissioner Fuller again requested to see the minutes from the Marina Waterfront Subcommittee, financial expenditures from 2000 and also requested copies of the Grand Jury Report regarding the Martinez Marina.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public Comments Made

7. PUBLIC HEARING(S) NONE

8. CITY AND STAFF COMMENTS

Recreation Monthly Staff Report, Recreation Supervisor Patty Lorick: Commissioner Gerlack thanked Recreation Division for the fantastic Martinez Restaurant Tour. Commissioner Pallotta attended the St. Catherine car show on October 18 and saw no impact on the neighbors with their event, Commissioner Patchin said the music was loud in the beginning but the volume was turned down later.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kristen Henderson said the Day of the Dead event being held by Main Street Martinez is in violation of Separation of Church and State because the City funds Main Street Martinez.

9. PRMCC

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Gerlack informed the Commission about the upcoming 100th birthday celebration for Joe DiMaggio. The Sons of Italy will be holding a fund raiser dinner at the Shell Club house on November 18. Ticket sales will benefit the restoration of the Joltin Joe, and serve as a kickoff for a Home Town Hero Joe DiMaggio Museum.

Commissioner Bell-Patten has had several calls concerning the Mafia Food Trucks at Martinez Marina on Saturdays. The callers thought if the trucks were in a more central location for a period of time, and then move the trucks to the marina, it would be more successful. Recreation Coordinator Barbara Patchin responded that not many people supported the trucks after the initial first few Saturdays. Commissioner Bell-Patten requested a permanent sign at the pool with pool dates and hours.

Commissioner Patchin also reported the Pumpkin Dunkin went well.

Chair Radke reported the Oohs, Ahs and Giggles programs were a hit with the three year old set.

Commissioner Pallotta has had several members of the public approach him about the lack of shade in Rankin Park and Hidden Valley Park, and suggested the Park Subcommittee consider shade to be an important consideration in the design of Waterfront Park.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kristen Henderson said she has been writing a book for the last five years about the Martinez Italian Community. It will be completed in a week, with half of the proceeds going to the Museum for Joe DiMaggio. Harlan Strickland commented the shade in our parks is a big deal.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Commissioner Patchin at 7:59 pm; seconded by Commissioner Olsson: All Ayes Chair Dylan Radke, Commissioner Ingemar Olsson, Commissioner Richard Patchin, Commissioner Gay Gerlack, Commissioner Don Pallotta, Commissioner John Fuller, Commissioner Brian Eychner and Vice Chair Karen Bell-Patten

Adjourned at 7:59 pm to a Regular PRMCC Meeting on November 18, 2014 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers, 525 Henrietta Street, Martinez California.

Respectfully submitted by

Robin Agostino