

MINUTES
PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 7, 2006

A regular meeting of the Park and Activities Commission of the City of Rolling Hills Estates was called to order at 7:30 p.m., in the Rolling Hills Estates City Council Chambers, 4045 Palos Verdes Drive North, by CHAIRMAN PIERSON.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Allen, Clewis, Pagliano, Pekich, Persichina, Pierson

COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Davis

STAFF PRESENT: Andy Clark, Community Services Director

PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MINUTES, JANUARY 17, 2006

COMMISSIONER PERSICHINA moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER PEKICH

TO APPROVE THE PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF
JANUARY 17, 2006, AS PRESENTED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PIERSON SO ORDERED

REORGANIZATION OF PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION

CHAIRMAN PIERSON turned the meeting over to VICE CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA, who is the newly appointed CHAIRMAN. CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA noted that COMMISSIONER PAGLIANO is the newly appointed VICE-CHAIRMAN.

AUDIENCE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

FINAL LANDSCAPE PLAN FOR 981 SILVER SPUR ROAD (PA-14-04)

Senior Planner Niki Cutler reviewed the staff report dated February 7, 2006, per written agenda material. She added that the landscape architect, a representative from the architectural firm, and a representative from the developer were present to answer any questions from the COMMISSION.

After a brief discussion, COMMISSIONER PIERSON moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER PEKICH

TO APPROVE THE LANDSCAPE PLANS FOR THE SILVER SPUR COURT
PROJECT AT 981 SILVER SPUR ROAD (PA-14-04) SUBJECT TO THE
FOLLOWING CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL: 1) FOUR PLATANUS
RACEMOSA TREES SHOWN IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG
SILVER SPUR ROAD WILL BE REPLACED WITH JACARANDA MIMOSIFOLIA
TREES; 2) THREE EUCALYPTUS POLYANTHEMOS TREES SHOWN WITHIN
4 FEET OF THE BUILDING AND WALKWAY WILL BE MOVED 8 TO 10 FEET
FROM THE STRUCTURE AND WALKWAYS; 3) A NOTE WILL BE ADDED TO
THE PLAN INDICATING THAT PANEL TYPE ROOT BARRIERS WILL BE
INSTALLED FOR ALL TREES LOCATED WITHIN 5 FEET OF HARDSCAPE; 4)
A COMPLETED IRRIGATION PLAN WILL BE PROVIDED; AND 5) THE WHITE
THREE-RAIL FENCE ALONG CRENSHAW BOULEVARD WILL BE REPAIRED
AND REPAINTED ACCORDING TO THE CITY STANDARD FOLLOWING
REMOVAL OF THE PORTIONS INDICATED IN THE PLANS.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA SO ORDERED.

OAK ROOT FUNGUS DISEASE

The Community Services Director reviewed the staff report per written agenda material. He stated that the Oak Root Fungus disease is spreading within the City's rights-of-way along PVDN, killing the California Peppers street trees. There is no practical control of Oak Root Fungus disease except to replace trees with species that are resistant to the disease. He added that while there are alternative tree species resistant to Oak Root Fungus disease, staff intends to continue replacing California Peppers that die from this disease with the same tree species, and planting them a reasonable distance away from the removed tree sites unless otherwise directed.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the COMMISSION that the California Pepper Tree is a symbol of the City and to continue replace the infected trees with California Peppers. If staff finds the Oak Root Fungus disease continues to kill the newly planted California Peppers, this item will be brought back to the COMMISSION.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA ORDERED

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THIS STAFF REPORT.

ADJOURN TO THE PEPPER TREE FOUNDATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

COMMISSIONER ALLEN moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER PIERSON

TO ADJOURN TO THE PEPPER TREE FOUNDATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING, THE TIME BEING 7:38 P.M.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA SO ORDERED.

2006 HILLS ARE ALIVE RACE CONSULTANT AGREEMENT

The Community Services Director reviewed the staff report per written agenda material. He noted that the only changes to the contract were the date and the new Mayor's name.

Michael Hogue addressed the ADVISORY BOARD and stated that this will be the 25th Annual Race, and requested the ADVISORY BOARD consider some type of prize money (\$1,000) to draw "celebrity" runners. He added that POWER Auto Group has again committed to be the sponsor of the race.

The ADVISORY BOARD suggested the prize money suggestion be discussed at the next race subcommittee meeting and brought back to the ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS for consideration.

There being no further discussion, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER PAGLIANO moved, seconded by ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ALLEN

TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PARTNERS TO PROVIDE FUNDRAISING, PROMOTIONAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE 2006 HILLS ARE ALIVE RACE TO THE PEPPER TREE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

AYES: ALLEN, CLEWIS, PAGLIANO, PEKICH, PERSICHINA, PIERSON
ABSENT: DAVIS

GOLF TOURNAMENT UPDATE

The Community Services Director updated the ADVISORY BOARD regarding the potential cancellation of the golf tournament. He stated that the three baseball sports leagues have declined to participate this year. The Girls Softball League (who had minimal participation) and the Pony Club were the only groups interested at this point. City Council, at their last meeting, suggested the ADVISORY BOARD try to continue this tournament. The Community Services Director stated that to date he has tried to contact various groups and only the PV Chamber of Commerce has shown interest.

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ALLEN stated that the concept of holding this tournament was originally to help the children's' groups (sports leagues, children equestrian group, etc.) He added that only the Pony Club is interested in participating at this time. There needs to be 32 foursomes participating in the tournament in order for this event to be successful, and pointed out that groups do not want to participate and do their fair share.

It was agreed that a golf committee meeting be held with staff, Advisory Board representatives, and groups who are interested in participating in this event. If no group representatives show up, this event will be cancelled.

RECONVENE TO THE PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MEETING

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER PIERSON moved, seconded by ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ALLEN

TO RECONVENE TO THE PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MEETING,
THE TIME BEING 7:48 P.M.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA SO ORDERED.

2006 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The COMMISSION reviewed the 2006 Committee Assignments, and after a brief discussion, there were no changes to the assignments as listed.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA ORDERED

THE 2006 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS, MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2006

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA ORDERED

THE CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS, MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2006, RECEIVED
AND FILED.

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES, MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2006

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA ORDERED

THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES, MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2006,
RECEIVED AND FILED.

DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

CPRS CONFERENCE IN ONTARIO, MARCH 16-18, 2006 - The Community Services Director reviewed the conference and requested the COMMISSION advise him whether they wished to attend this conference.

ADOPT-A-PLATOON UPDATE - The Community Services Director reviewed the staff report from Roy Beall, the zoning and Code Administrator. This report was received and filed.

SBCCOG GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN CARSON - FEBRUARY 23, 2006 - The Community Services Director stated this meeting is open to COMMISSIONERS.

LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING DAY AT HOWLETT PARK - The Community Services Director stated Opening Day is March 4 (Saturday). Unfortunately, the Mayor and the Community Services Director will be attending the Policy Development Session and will be unable to throw out the first pitch. COMMISSIONERS ALLEN and PAGLIANO volunteered to represent the City at this event in place of MAYOR ZUCKERMAN and the Community Services Director.

FORM 700 - The Community Services Director reminded the COMMISSION to fill out and turn in their Form 700.

The Community Services Director stated that the next meeting may be cancelled, as there are not items needing COMMISSION consideration at this time; however, committee meetings will be held regarding the Golf Tournament and Race events.

COMMISSION ITEMS

COMMISSIONER ALLEN requested the Community Services Director look into the removal of Castor Bean plants that were dumped off to the side of the ravine between the Little League fields and the Lacey residence.

COMMISSIONER PAGLIANO stated the bench that was recently installed at Chandler Park looks good.

COMMISSIONER PIERSON stated no improvements were done on the PVDE trail in the vicinity of Larga Vista. He added that a section of the fence needs to be removed in addition to other improvements discussed quite a while ago. The Community Services Director was asked to report back on this matter.

COMMISSIONER PIERSON asked the Community Services Director to check into whether there is a City easement at the end of the Nature Trail in George F Canyon that is located in RPV. The Community Services Director will report back on this matter.

COMMISSIONER CLEWIS asked for an update on the Linares case.

COMMISSIONER ALLEN described his suggestion for the Nature Center sign that could incorporate a white magnetic removal sign. The COMMISSION asked COMMISSIONER ALLEN to meet with the PVPLC Representative Barbara Dye and give her the information regarding the sign suggestion promoting the George F Canyon Nature Center.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Golf Tournament Update
George F Canyon Nature Center Promotions

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER PIERSON moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER ALLEN

TO ADJOURN THE PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MEETING, THE
TIME BEING 8:10 P.M.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, CHAIRMAN PERSICHINA SO ORDERED.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Ellen Shinkai
Human Resources Analyst

Douglas R. Prichard
City Clerk