



**CITY OF WEST COVINA
CITY COUNCIL
AND
COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017, 6:00 PM
SPECIAL MEETING – PARKS NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

**CAMERON COMMUNITY CENTER
1305 E CAMERON AVE
WEST COVINA, CALIFORNIA 91790**

MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER – Chair Phil Kaufman called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER – Led by Chair Phil Kaufman.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Corey Warshaw, Councilmember James Toma, Chair Phil Kaufman, Vice-Chair Leticia Lopez, Commissioner Luanne Arredondo, Commissioner Paul Blackburn, Commissioner Steve Cox, Commissioner Tam Dinh, Commissioner Nick Lewis, Commissioner Tanya Pina, Commissioner David Stewart,

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Mike Spence, Councilman Lloyd Johnson, Councilman Tony Wu, Commissioner Glen Kennedy.

Staff Present: Assistant City Manager/Community Services Director Nikole Bresciani, Community Services Superintendent Mike Cresap, Administrative Assistant II Deborah Johnston, Community Services Coordinator Priscilla Perez.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - Five (5) minutes per speaker

Three emails submitted prior to meeting by citizens were read by Chair Kaufman

Emails as follows:

1. Lola Finley – emailed regarding updating Gingrich parks ball fields (baseball and basketball), play grounds, work out area, walking trails and add a splash pad.
2. Karen Hong – emailed regarding updating Gingrich park facilities to include basketball courts, playgrounds, senior workout area and walking trails. Shadow Oak Park needs more bathrooms on lower level, excise area and family picnic areas.

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3. Robert Torres – emailed regarding updates to Del Norte Park to include community room, walking trails, baseball field enclosure, restrooms near tennis courts. Galster park updates to include add walking trails to connect to BKK. Shadow Oak Park, add aquatics center and add tot-lot on lower plateau. Add walking trails along Walnut Creek. Add fitness zones at all parks. Heritage park improvements and more lighting (or update to all lighting) at all parks.

There were 25 speakers, of those speakers twenty (20) were regarding Ridge Riders Equestrian needs and five (5) others were regarding BKK possible projects, Shadow Oak Park Bathroom, parking lot and playground on the lower plateau, Maverick Field, Ginrich Park and Walnut Creek expansion.

Speakers as follows:

1. Harold Saldana – spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
2. Julie Hoffman - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
3. Sharon Frasca Williams - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
4. Robert Walker - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
5. Jim McCrystal – user of Ridge Riders Equestrian Center and spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
6. Karen Baroldi - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
7. Menyour M Andrade - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
8. Laura Britvec - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
9. Brian Jobst – spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center and spoke regarding using BKK landfill for additional soccer fields instead of the plan submitted at Council prior. He also requested that the native plants at BKK be left alone.
10. Francisco Leva - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
11. Mylene Chow-Jungan - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
12. Jerri Potress – spoke about park tour attendance from the September Commission Meeting and in favor of Ridge Riders facility updates as well as gaining more park land to add to our current parks.
13. Jan Rainey - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
14. Mike Harden - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
15. Desi Spadaro - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility to include more activities for special needs community.

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16. Lindsay Lucero - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
17. Elsie Messman – spoke on updates at Shadow Oak Park lower plateau to include parking lot, playground (all locations), bathroom, etc. as well as updates to the rest of the facility and add a splash pad.
18. Cameron Saylor – spoke in favor of Ridge Riders Equestrian Center updates or if other projects were to go in there requested that the City consider more baseball/softball fields in its place.
19. Karen Thompson - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
20. Jean Chadsey - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
21. Brenda Newbold - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility and to add more parking for facility due to over use of fields at Maverick Park.
22. Elizabeth Cuevas – spoke in favor of updates to Gingrich park to include inclusive playground equipment and park benches near the playground. Also in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center.
23. Andrew Pineda – spoke in favor of all park updates to include expansion of Walnut Creek trail expansion, development of BKK landfill for more park and green space but to preserve the natural vegetation.
24. Mark Rainey - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.
25. Faith Grimm - spoke in favor of updates to Ridge Riders Equestrian Center, opposed to any other projects at same facility.

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1) September 12, 2017 Special Community and Senior Services Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Lewis and second by Lopez to approve the meeting minutes with corrections as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 7-2 (with 1 abstaining (Pina)).

AYES: Arredondo, Blackburn, Dinh, Stewart, Lewis, Lopez, Kaufman

NOES: Cox

ABSENT: Kennedy

NEW BUSINESS

- 2) **Park Needs Assessment** – Presented by Assistant City Manager/Community Services Director Nikole Bresciani

Discussion was had and the following projects were voted on to update the existing Park Needs Assessment listing as follows:

1. Add Trails at Galster Park (71)
2. Projects at Ridge Riders Equestrian Center as follows:
 - a. Native landscaping using recycled water (32)
 - b. Renovate the arenas wood rails (31)
 - c. Add petting zoo area (29)
 - d. Update lighting & sound system (23)
 - e. Renovate snack bar (22)
 - f. Repair Stalls & Improve water for stalls (21)
 - g. Improve watering system to arenas (18)
 - h. Renovate grandstands (10)
3. Add Trails at Maverick or Orangewood Parks (37)
4. Gingrich Inclusive Playground & Benches (24)
5. Add Fitness Zone at Cortez Park (24)
6. Shadow Oak Bathrooms, Playground and Parking Lot on Lower Plateau (14)
7. Add Restrooms at Del Norte Park (14)
8. Add Fitness Zone at Shadow Oak Park (12)
9. Add Restrooms at Heritage Park (8)

Removed from the previous list:

- Add Community / Recreation Center at Del Norte Park (6)
- Add Amphitheater at Heritage Park (2)
- Add Trails at Del Norte Park (6)

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioners spoke in favor of updating park facilities to include Ridge Riders facilities.

Motion by Lopez and second by Lewis.

Motion carried by a vote of 9-0.

AYES: Arredondo, Blackburn, Cox, Dinh, Lewis, Pina, Stewart, Lopez, Kaufman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Kennedy

ITEMS TO BE AGENDIZED - None

ADJOURNMENT at 8:45 p.m.

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Motion by Kaufman and second by Lopez.

Motion carried by a vote of 9-0.

AYES: Arredondo, Blackburn, Cox, Dinh, Lewis, Pina, Stewart, Lopez, Kaufman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Kennedy

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