



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAWDALE
PARKS, RECREATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 27TH, 2020**

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairperson Harbison called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, located at 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, California.

Members Present: Chairperson Erica Harbison
 Vice Chairperson Daniel Woods
 Commissioner Shirley Rudolph
 Commissioner Christina Carroll

Members Absent: Commissioner Madonna Sitka

Others Present: Mike Estes, Director of Community Services

B. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Carroll led the commissioners and those in attendance in the flag salute.

C. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 13TH, 2020 MINUTES

Commissioner Woods made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Carroll, to approve the minutes of January 13th, 2020, with one correction.

Motion carries 4–0 (Commissioner Sitka absent)

D. PRESENTATIONS

None.

E. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

None.

F. ITEMS FROM COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFF

1. Inaugural Lawndale Music Festival Band Selection:

Director Estes reported to the PRSSC that he has already gotten commitments from two bands to play at the July 18th music festival event. Our Latin/Salsa band will be the Louie Cruz-Beltran Band and our 80's rock band will be the Skinny Ties. This leaves us with the task of finding two more bands to play at the Inaugural Lawndale Music Festival. One Pop band and one Jazz band. There were discussions about the Jazz band that the community suggested in

the survey results; however, the jazz genre' was eliminated from the Lawndale Blues and Jazz Festival many years ago due to small crowds and a general lack of interest. Director Estes suggested potentially inquiring about the Suzie Hansen Latin band which is technically not a jazz band, but comes relatively close.

2. Potential Expenditure, Lawndale Holiday Baskets Program:

Director Estes summarized the staff report for this item. There was no discussion regarding this Item following the staff report summary.

Commissioner Rudolph made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairperson Woods, to approve PRSSC Resolution 1082-20 authorizing the Community Services Department to produce a check in the amount \$2,500.00 payable to the Lawndale Council PTA for the 2020 Holiday Baskets program.

Motion carries 4-0 (Commissioner Sitka absent)

3. Potential Expenditure, Inaugural Lawndale Music Festival:

Director Estes summarized the staff report for this item. There was no discussion regarding this item following the staff report summary.

Chairperson Harbison called for a motion; however, the motion died due to lack of a second at which time there was more discussion regarding the future of this item. Subsequently, it was suggested by the PRSSC that this item return for consideration at the PRSSC's next regularly scheduled meeting on February 10th.

4. PRSSC Fireworks Stand Fundraising Program:

Director Estes opened up this item for discussion so clearer direction could be gathered. After some discussion, Director Estes suggested that a Request for Proposals (RFP) be distributed to the two pyrotechnic companies licensed to do such business in California. The RFP could ask each vendor what amount of fees they would pay for the desired property at Lawndale High School in the Performing Arts Center parking lot adjacent to Inglewood Avenue. In discussions with the Centinela Valley Union High School District, the rate for the property is \$150.00 per hour during hours that the property is being used. The PRSSC will solicit the two pyrotechnic vendors to find out which entity will pay the greatest amount towards overall property rental costs.

G. PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND FACILITIES UPDATE

5. Water Bottle Filling Station Project:

Director Estes reported the following to the PRSSC: 1) four water bottle filling stations will be installed at two city parks; 2) two at Hogan Park and two at Rudolph Park; 3) the project is in the hands of the public works department and is scheduled to begin once the contracts have been signed by the installer and the city; and 4) the water bottle filling stations have become very popular elements at shopping malls, colleges and universities and other public places and they will be great additions to the two parks they are being installed at.

H. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

No items submitted.

I. SPECIAL EVENTS UPDATE

6. Lawndale Youth Day Parade Update:

Director Estes reported the following regarding the Youth Day Parade event planning: 1) the committee reviewed some of the advertising components, specifically the street banners; 2) street banners and fence banners for the parks should be going up within the next two weeks; 3) at this time there are only three entries which is lower for this time of year than any other, but still somewhat expected as most entries traditionally come in in February and March; 4) planning for the spring extravaganza continues to take place; and 5) Director Estes inquired if any of the commissioners were interested in volunteering as a driver in this year's parade.

After little discussion, three of the commissioners volunteered to be drivers for the parade on April 25th.

J. MISCELLANEOUS

7. Individual Comments from Commissioners:

One commissioner suggested that the Easter Egg Hunt program be included on a future agenda.

K. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

- 8. 8th Annual Lawndale Blues Festival
- 9. McKenzie Gardens Volunteer Work Project Update (TBA)
- 10. Commission Reorganization (March 9th)

L. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Harbison adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m. to a regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, January 13th, 2020, at the Lawndale City Hall Council Chamber located at 14717 Burin Avenue.

Erica Harbison, Chairperson

Attest:

Mike Estes, Director of Community Services