



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAWNDALE
PARKS, RECREATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – MAY 10th, 2021**

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Vice Chairperson Martinez called the WebEx hosted virtual meeting to order at 6:57 p.m.

Members Present: Jessica Martinez, Vice Chairperson
 Christina Carroll, Commissioner
 Daniel Woods, Commissioner

Note: There are two vacant seats due to recent resignations

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mike Estes, Director of Community Services

B. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Woods led the PRSSC and those in attendance in the flag salute.

C. APPROVAL OF APRIL 26th, 2021 MINUTES

Commissioner Woods made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Carroll, to approve the minutes of April 26th, 2021, without corrections.

Motion carries: 3-0 (Two vacant seats)

D. PRESENTATIONS

None scheduled.

E. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

None.

F. ITEMS FROM COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFF

1. Report Pertaining to 2021 PRSSC Fireworks Stand:

Director Estes reported to the PRSSC that due to current vacancies and lack of physical resources, the committee is unable to proceed with the 2021 Fireworks stand. Without a commission with five participating members, there is not enough oversight resources to manage the stand for 2021. The stand requires no less than two commissioners in the booth at all times to oversee the collection, storage and deposit of revenues.

2. Report Pertaining to Holiday Street Pole Banners for 2021:

Director Estes provided an updated report regarding the curbside street light poles on Hawthorne Boulevard between Rosecrans Avenue to Artesia Boulevard. Each curb side of the boulevard consists of approximately 29 street light poles for a total of 58. On the median portion of the boulevard, adjacent to the center median, there is approximately 59 light poles per side, totaling 118 for possible adornment with banners. Director Estes informed the committee that he recommends that the PRSSC consider phasing out the vinyl banners in favor of banners made with marine acrylic material that allow for dual side printing, brighter colors, no fading, greater durability and handle windy conditions much better than vinyl banners due their flexibility. The PRSSC will need to make decisions as to how much is to be spent on the banners, how many poles are to be included and approve the eventual designs. In years past, the banners have been displayed from the inner median poles adjacent to the Hawthorne Boulevard median providing better visibility. The PRSSC conveyed their interest in purchasing four sets of banners highlighting different seasons for a year-round banner display program.

3. In-Person City Council and Commission Meetings Beginning June 21st:

Director Estes informed the PRSSC that the City Council will return to in-person meetings as of June 21st, 2021. The PRSSC will follow suit and conduct its first in-person meeting on June 28th 2021 in the City Council Chamber. June 28th, 2021 will be the PRSSC’s first in-person meeting since the City shut down most operations including indoor and in-person meetings in March 2020.

4. Lawndale/LESD Second Dose Vaccination Clinic, May 14th:

The second leg of the Lawndale/LESD Vaccination Clinic will take place on Friday, May 14th, 2021 at the Harold E. Hofmann Community Center. The clinic will provide the Moderna second dose vaccine for up to 250 individuals between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. As a note, the initial vaccination clinic serviced 231 individuals who were automatically setup for their second dose vaccine at the time of appointment.

5. Potential PRSSC Reorganization Due to Vacant Chairperson Seat:

Director Estes inquired of the PRSSC if they wanted to reorganize and fill the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson seats at this time or in the near future, or wait until there is a full five-person commission to do so. After some discussion, the PRSSC opted to wait until new members are appointed and there is a full five-person PRSSC before reorganizing.

G. PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND FACILITIES UPDATE

No Items

H. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

No Items

I. SPECIAL EVENTS UPDATE

6. Memorial Day Virtual Event, May 31st, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Director Estes provided an update on the City’s plan to move forward with the previously discussed Virtual Memorial Day Remembrance event. The scheduled events will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday May 31st, 2021. The virtual event will be comprised of pre-recorded video messages from Lawndale area representatives, Los Angeles Air Force Base personnel, Lawndale elected officials and video tape of previous events highlighting event activities such as raising of the colors, invocation, 21-gun salute and other traditional event elements. The virtual event will

be aired on the City's Lawndale You Tube Channel and Lawndale CityTV Channel 22. The program will air at 9:00 a.m. on May 31st. and will repeat a number of times on May 31st and potentially throughout the following week.

7. Pet Vaccination Clinic, June 12th, 2021, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Director Estes confirmed that the Health, Safety and Pet Fair outdoor public event was cancelled for 2021. However, the Municipal Services Department will facilitate a Pet Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, June 12th, 2021, to be held at the Municipal Services Department Outdoor Patio beginning at 11:00 a.m. The City has confirmed the involvement of Dr. Kumar, the onsite veterinarian who will administer the pet vaccinations. The City is planning on returning the actual in-person Health, Safety and Pet Fair to the community in June 2022.

J. MISCELLANEOUS

8. Individual Comments from Commissioners:

K. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

9. PRSSC Future Goals and Objectives for 2021-23 Term

L. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairperson Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m. to a regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, May 24th, 2021, via the Cisco WebEx teleconferencing platform.

Jessica Martinez, Vice Chairperson

Attest:

Mike Estes, Director of Community Services