

**MINUTES
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PUBLIC FACILITIES, RECREATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023
PLUMMER PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ROOMS 5&6
7377 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069**

6:30 P.M. – SPECIAL MEETING

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

THE PUBLIC FACILITIES, RECREATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE LAND ON WHICH WE GATHER AND THAT IS CURRENTLY KNOWN AS THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IS THE OCCUPIED, UNCEDED, SEIZED TERRITORY OF THE GABRIELEÑO TONGVA AND GABRIELEÑO KIZH PEOPLES. (PRONOUNCED “KEECH”)

1. CALL TO ORDER – Vice Chair Karliss called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

A. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – Read by Vice Chair Karliss.

B. ROLL CALL

**PRESENT: Commissioner Jackson (she/her);
Commissioner Krishna (she/her);
Commissioner Mason (he/him);
Commissioner Payton (she/her);
Commissioner Ragno(he/him) ; and
Vice Chair Karliss (he/him).**

ABSENT: Chair Solomon (he/him).

**ALSO PRESENT: Helen Collins, Facilities and Field Services
Division Manager; Erin Hamant, Senior
Administrative Analyst; Stephanie
Martinez, Recreation Services Manager;
Clavon Jubrey, Recreation Services
Supervisor; Michael Gasca, Recreation
Services Supervisor; Susy Salazar,
Recreation Coordinator; Dana AlHaddad,
Recreation Coordinator; Andrea Yanez,
Recreation Coordinator; Destiny Nieto,
Recreation Coordinator; and Yvonne
Quarker, Director of Community Services.**

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Commissioner Payton.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

ACTION: Approve the November 8, 2023, Agenda.

Motion by Jackson, seconded by Krishna, and approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Jackson – Y

Commissioner Krishna – Y

Commissioner Mason – Y

Commissioner Payton – Y

Commissioner Ragno – Y

Vice Chair Karliss – Y

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

ACTION: Approve the minutes of the prior Public Facilities, Recreation, and Infrastructure Commission meeting dated October 14, 2023.

Motion by Mason, seconded by Krishna, and approved unanimously.

Commissioner Jackson – Y

Commissioner Krishna – Y

Commissioner Mason – Y

Commissioner Payton – Y

Commissioner Ragno – Y

Vice Chair Karliss – Y

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Zen Tara, CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, Requested facility improvements at Plummer Park and at West Hollywood Park to improve the experience for the pickleball community and for the residents.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. RECREATION SERVICES DIVISION SEMIANNUAL UPDATE

SUBJECT: The Commission will receive an update from the Recreation Services Division for Summer 2023. The division will present the first semiannual update, focusing on the exciting programs and services offered during Summer 2023. Staff will provide a comprehensive overview of programs, services, upcoming events, and facility reservations, showcasing the division’s commitment to enhancing recreation programs for community members.

ACTION: Receive and file.

The commission thanked the Recreation Staff for the presentation.

Commissioner Mason asked about the Food and Toy Drive pick-up locations. Staff shared the various collection points.

Commissioner Jackson asked about Senior Programming and contract classes. Staff stated that the Senior and Older Adult Programming is contracted out to JFS. Staff also spoke about the process of obtaining instructors and determining class pricing.

Commissioner Krishna asked how Recreation handles high demands for classes. Staff will do their best to accommodate waitlists for classes and expand classes when possible.

Commissioner Payton asked a clarification question regarding the facility reservation permits. Payton also recommended looking at the percentage of residents versus non-residents that sign up for recreation programs.

Vice Chair Karliss commended staff for providing the first-aid training. Karliss inquired about pricing for the aquatic programs. Staff explained the fee process. Karliss asked how to go about getting classes added on to the programming. Staff recommend seeing a Recreation staff member so that they can research the request.

Commissioner Ragno inquired about the new community gardens protocols. Staff shared that they are still having discussions to ensure everything is fair and equitable for everyone.

Craig Shapiro, WEST HOLLYWOOD, Shared that they attended the meeting to get information regarding the RFPO for Pickleball Concession. They stated that their experience attending the meeting was great and thanked everyone.

Michael Coss, PLAYA DEL REY, Stated that they attended the meeting to learn more about the upcoming RFP process for Pickleball Concession.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.
10. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR – None.
11. ITEMS FROM STAFF

The Recreation Services staff shared about upcoming events. Staff shared about the upcoming West Hollywood Day Event.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

13. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS & SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

LOOK AHEAD CALENDAR FOR AGENDA PREP & COMMISSION ITEMS TRACKER

The commission thanked staff for their excellent work.

Commissioner Mason reminded everyone about Transgender Awareness week.

Commissioner Ragno shared that he attended the Poet Laureate and the Halloween Carnival event.

Vice Chair Karliss reminded everyone of the upcoming West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation tour where they will be touring affordable housing projects.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Facilities, Recreation, and Infrastructure Commission meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. to its next regular meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall Community Meeting Room, 1st Floor, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

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Richard Karliss

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Richard Karliss, Vice Chair