# CITY OF ONTARIO RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION MARCH 22, 2021 MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

DEAN, RILEY, NELSEN, BINNEY, CASKEY,

TRINIDAD, BRAVO, ESCOBOSA,

**NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

GONZALEZ, MCALARY, HUISMAN, HICKEY,

MAYOR PRO TEM WAPNER, BEERS, HAES

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 

OVITT (excused)

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair,

Kenneth Dean at 6:01p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rita Nelsen, Commissioner

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S (BINNEY/TRINIDAD) TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2021 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

## CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Monthly Statistical Reports for February 2021.

M/S (RILEY/NELSEN) TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2021 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

1. <u>Recreation & Community Services</u> – Nicholas Gonzalez, Recreation & Community Services Director, narrated a PowerPoint presentation on department highlights of program activities that occurred in February 2021.

A copy of this presentation is available upon request from the Commission Secretary.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

## 1. No Old Business

# **NEW BUSINESS**

- Anthony Munoz Community Center Project Update Daniel Beers, Project Manager,
  City of Ontario Public Works Agency, shared a PowerPoint presentation to the
  Commission on the progress for the Anthony Munoz Community Center project.
  Nicholas Gonzalez, Recreation & Community Services Director shared a PowerPoint
  Presentation on the Tile Mural project that will be created for the new Anthony Munoz
  Community Center. It will be a culture marker for the neighborhood, honoring our
  community. After staff and the Public Art Committee reviewed the submitted RFP's,
  Luis "Rick" Caughman was awarded the project. The mural will face the corner of 4<sup>th</sup>
  Street and Camelia. The artwork is an original design with community relevance.
- Future Commission Meeting Format Nicholas Gonzalez, Recreation & Community Services Director announced that the Recreation & Parks Commission meetings will return to the Council Chambers at the May 24, 2021 meeting. The April 26, 2021 meeting will be held via Zoom. Our City Attorney will begin attending our meetings in May. More information coming soon.

#### **COMMENTS:**

#### **MAYOR PRO**

**TEM WAPNER:** Thanked the Commission for their continued attendance at our meetings during these trying times and hopes everyone is staying safe and healthy.

MCALARY: Thanked Mayor pro Tem and the Commission for their support in everything the Recreation & Community Services Department does. She also thanked staff in assisting with the Francis Incident in Care & Shelter response.

**TRINIDAD:** Thanked everyone for their presentations and is looking forward to seeing everyone in person at the May meeting.

BINNEY: Thanked everyone on the Commission for sticking with the Zoom meetings and facing the challenges. He is looking forward to the grand opening of the Anthony Munoz Community Center.

CASKEY: Stated that he attended the meeting on the Brown Act/Social Media and the final presentation on the Recreation & Parks Master Plan. He also attended the State of California Boards & Commissions Zoom meeting. All were good and very informative. He enjoyed tonight's presentations and is excited about the artist's work for the mural.

**NELSEN:** Thanked Dan Beers for his presentation on the Anthony Munoz Community Center. Nelsen also thanked the City for their assistance for the Francis Incident.

BRAVO:

Stated that she grew up going to the Anthony Munoz Community Center and is looking forward to the grand opening and seeing the inside of the building and all it will have to offer.

**ESCOBOSA:** Stated she is very happy that we will all be meeting soon in person again.

RILEY:

Thanked staff for tonight's presentations and looking forward to meeting in person once again.

**DEAN:** 

Shared that he is amazed over all the classes and programs Recreation has been able to continue to offer during this lock down time. Dean drove by James Bryant Dog Park and noticed it was very busy and everyone there seemed to be having a great time. Dean also attended the State of California Boards & Commissions meeting. Our city is on top of the Brown Act.

M/S (NELSEN/BINNEY) TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. NEXT RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 26, 2021 AT 6:00 PM VIA ZOOM.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

ADJOURNMENT: 7:10 PM

Ann Huisman, Recording Secretary

Kenneth Dean, Chairperson