

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
MINUTES – January 8, 2020

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Chairman Spiller called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.  
Commissioners Present: Brand, Dean, Duff, Gorham, Radenheimer and Spiller  
Staff Present: Sue Richardson, Community Services Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 13, 2019. Commissioner Gorham motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Duff. Motion passed, Commissioner Brand and Dean obtaining.

ELECTIONS – SECRETARY: No nominations were received for Secretary so the item was tabled to the February meeting.

ANNUAL WORK PLAN: Commissioners discussed the draft annual work plan and made adjustments. Commissioner Dean motioned to approve the 2020 work plan and submit to City Council and Commissioner Brand seconded. All in favor.

MAGICAL BRIDGE PLAYGROUND: Director Richardson reported information received from a phone conversation with the Executive Director. The Magical Bridge Foundation provides guidance on designing and installing all-inclusive/all ability playgrounds but there is no funding available. Director Richardson informed group that the Master Plan consultants have been asked to put a placeholder for this type of playground in the design. Commissioners requested that we continue to explore putting an all-inclusive/ all-ability playground in at MacArthur Park.

COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATES:

Community Services Director Richardson gave the following updates:

- The consultants for the MacArthur Park Master Plan are preparing the design options for a March 25, 2020, public workshop based on input from the October 29, 2019 public meeting and the survey.
- Distributed flyers for upcoming events.

PARK INSPECTIONS/PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES: Postponed to February

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

- Commissioner Gorham offered praise for Harry Griffen Park and the new trees.
- Commissioner Duff offered kudos to the maintenance staff at MacArthur Park for keeping the park looking good. He presented a recommendation from the Collier Park pickle ball players to mitigate the slope erosion during rains that are causing mud to cover the courts and south parking area.
- Commissioner Spiller said the Performing Arts Center at Grossmont High is under construction and is expected to be completed for fall 2020. There is a possibility of community use of the space.
- Commissioner Brand is working on the Community Garden at MacArthur Park. The agreement is ready to be executed soon. Once the topographical map is received from the City, the design can be finalized.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Spiller adjourned the meeting at 7:04 PM, to the next meeting on February 12, 2020.

Submitted by:



Susan Richardson, Director of Community Services