

**CITY OF STOCKTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

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***August 22, 2022,***

***5:30 p.m.***

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**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Present: Gina Calder, Ray Zulueta, Jr., Spencer Lockwood, Kimberly Warmesley, Henry Phillips  
Eric Duncan, Miguel Villapudua, Sandra Chan, and Joe Nava

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS,  
CORRESPONDENCE, OR INVITATIONS**

None

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.1 Approve the Parks & Recreation Meeting minutes of August 22, 2022

Moved by: Kimberly Warmesley, seconded by Spencer Lockwood

Vote: Motion passed. Yes – 9, No – 0

Yes – Gina Calder, Ray Zulueta, Jr., Henry Phillips, Kimberly Warmesley, Spencer Lockwood  
Eric Duncan, Miguel Villapudua, Sandra Chan, and Joe Nava

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

6.1 Parks Update

Colin Scott, Parks Manager, provided the attached Parks Report.

Attachment A – Parks Report

6.2 Recreation Update

Kris Farro, Community Services Director, provided the following updates and reports for  
Recreation Division:

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebrations and attendance – 11, 353 came through the main gate, and the fireworks attendance was estimated at 17,000.
- National Night Out – was held at Arnold Rue, Seifert, Oak Park Senior, Stribley, Van Buskirk Centers, and Louis Park Softball Complex. Many of the sites have been visited by the Fire

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Department with their trucks; two have the Police Department helicopter land and brought some armed vehicles.

- Junior Giants Participation – the Junior Giants season just ended with 737 participants and 47 teams.
- Sports – registration is now open for various adult and youth sports activities.
- Victory Park Art Project – staff, is waiting for the contract with the artist to be attested.
- Swimming Pool Projects and Schedule updates – YMCA had to cut back the season due to staffing shortages.
- Victory Park Pool Renovation – there is a webpage dedicated directly to this project it is <http://www.stocktonca.gov/VictoryParkPool>. All the information and surveys about this project can be found on the webpage.
- McKinley Park Pool – the park will undergo a complete renovation. It will include restoration of the pool and a new pool house, picnic shelter, ballfield, play area, storage building, basketball courts, futsal courts, soccer and softball fields, landscaping and irrigation system modification, path lighting, and parking lot resurfacing. The design phase will be completed by the end of the year. And construction will begin in the late spring of 2023.

### 6.3 Community Services Department Update

Kris Farro also provided the following updates and reports for Community Services Department:

- Summer Reading – in two months of the summer reading program, 60,233 books were read.
- Digital Equity Pro – is now in phase 3, meaning every address in the city qualifies. The library gave out 657 chrome books and 97 tablets, and two weekly giveaway events.
- Library Card Design Contest – the library has launched a Library Card Design Contest and is open to all teen artists 14 – 18 years old. Entries must be submitted between September 1 – October 31, 2022.
- Employee Recruitment Status – the department is currently hiring several part-time positions for Adult and Youth Sports Officials, Library Shelves, Recreation Leaders, and Librarian II. The recruitment for Recreation Program Coordinator had just finished.

## 7. SCHOOL DISTRICT AND COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION UPDATES

### 7.1 Stockton Unified School District

Students returned to school three weeks ago, and schools conducted back-to-school night events. Everyone was excited to be back.

### 7.2 Lincoln Unified School District

Lincoln Unified is back in school as of August 9. Commissioner Chan was able to visit some schools on the first day, and it was peaceful and organized. Special shout out to the City of Stockton and San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) for working with the district to create a temporary RTD bus route due to the Culvert construction project at Alexandria and Lincoln cross pedestrian and vehicle traffic.

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7.3 Lodi Unified School District

Lodi District is hiring full-time bus drivers and substitute teachers. Also, it is expanding the After School Program using the COVID money. Lodi District Superintendent will be retiring at the end of 2023. LUSD hired Neil Young to shadow the current superintendent.

7.4 Manteca Unified School District

Manteca Unified is back in school as well. Commissioner Duncan has been out to some school football games and other extracurricular activities. He mentioned that parents and kids were happy not to wear masks. All schools had a back to school night events with excellent attendance. School District had boosted the Before and After School Programs due to new school hours. Commissioner Duncan also shared that he is currently the President of the Youth Football Program.

7.5 County Parks Update

County Supervisor, Miguel Villapudua, provided the attached County Parks Report.

Attachment B – County Parks Report

**8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

The deadline to RSVP for Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings will be noon on a Friday before the Monday meeting. This will give the clerk's office enough time to post the cancellation notice in case there's no quorum.

**9. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Kimberly Warmsley – made the following comments and reports.

- Park's maintenance contractors must be more conscious of water due to water shortages. The McKinley, Brotherhood, Victory and Sandra Smith Parks sprinklers were watering the street gutters.
- She participated in a tree dedication with Little Manila. The tree was dedicated to the lives lost due to COVID-19 in south Stockton. Unfortunately, the tree was vandalized, uprooted, and uplifted.
- Kimberly's son attends Weston Ranch High School. Everyone is happy and excited to be back in school.
- Councilmember Warmsley provided the Vikings Junior Cougars with a \$2,000 discretionary check and a \$5,000 discretionary check to Stockton FC and SAY League for the free Youth Soccer Clinic in south Stockton.
- She is coordinating free wellness and yoga classes in collaboration with Shaw Community.
- The Junior Vikings practiced at Brotherhood Park, but a fatality happened at a store near the park. The community members were uneasy practicing in the park. So, Councilmember Warmsley arranged with Stockton PD to stop by during the practice, walk around, and talk to the families and players.

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Joe Nava – Commissioner Nava commended the P&R commission for the perfect attendance during this meeting. He thanked city staff for their reports and professionalism. He also reported that the August 3<sup>rd</sup> Concert in Victory Park was great and had a good crowd.

Sandra Chan – Commissioner Chan shared that the August 17 Victory Park Concert in the Park was well attended.

Spencer Lockwood – encouraged everyone to stay cool and keep our kids safe.

**10. ADJOURNMENT** —

Meeting Adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Moved by Joe Nava and seconded by Henry Phillips.

Vote: Motion carried 9-0.

- The next meeting of the Stockton Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for **Monday, September 26, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers, 425 N. El Dorado Street, Stockton, CA 95202.**

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING OF 8/22/22  
Public Works Parks Report**

Bench Updates

Playground Replacements, Refurbishments, and Repairs:

1. Brotherhood
2. Brooking, Panella, Sandman, and Weber Parks- design phase

**VOLUNTEER EVENTS**

Beautification event on July 23 at Angel Cruz Park

Beautification event on September 17 at Sandman Park

**PROJECTS**

**Exeloos –**

American Legion – Walnut and San Jose St

Eden Park – Replace the locked restroom

Mattie Harrell Park – replace the vandalized restroom

Oak Park – replace the vandalized restroom to the south of the Ice Arena

Victory Park – replace the restroom by the little league that was demolished last year but move it closer to the concerts in the park location

Stribley Ballfield Lighting Project –

Council Funded Projects

American Legion Park Fencing

Citywide Park Walkway Replacement

Mattie Harrell Park Irrigation Well Replacement

Victory Park Tennis Court Lighting Refurbishment –

Hyacinth Removal 5 Mile Slough – complete

Pixie Woods Automated Irrigation –

Pixie Woods Tree Trimming –

Sousa Pool Crack Repair –

Swimming Pool UV Sterilization System Improvements

Pixie Woods Bridge –

Van Buskirk Gym Floor –

Teen Center Roof – completed

Weber Point Shade Structure –

CIP Projects

Soccer Complex -

Misty Holt Singh –

**GRANTS**

Van Buskirk Playground Surface  
TCC Round 3

**San Joaquin County Parks Division Report**  
**August 2022**

- As part of the ongoing infrastructure and maintenance objectives the Board approved \$8.0 M from the American Recovery Act Plan (ARPA) for water and sewer projects and approved an additional \$6.0 M in Capital Outlay funds be programmed for Park specific projects. A partial list of projects that are in process and/or are scheduled to begin in FY 2022/2023 are;
  - Regional Sport Complex Drainage Repairs-In progress
    - The Regional Sports complex located off Arch Rd., is currently undergoing significant repairs to upgrade drainage issues to the softball/baseball diamond complex, snack bar, and install a new detention pond. The necessary repairs will address flooding concerns in and around the snack bar, electrical panels, and divert water away from the building and fields to a larger deeper retention pond along the northern portion of the property.
  - Micke Grove Regional Park-Water/Sewer Tie into the City Of Lodi-Planning Phase
    - San Joaquin County and the City of Lodi have begun discussions to tie in Micke Grove Regional Park's domestic water and sewer into the City of Lodi's utility services. This project is slated as a multi-year, multi phased project with an estimated final completion of 2026.
  - Community Park Irrigation Upgrades-Planning Phase
    - Community Parks in the unincorporated areas of San Joaquin County and Regional Sports Complex will have irrigation repairs and system upgrades to include smart meters, break sensors, weather monitoring stations. The upgrades will also include a wireless or Bluetooth control panel.
  - Gianone Park Sewer Tie In – Planning Phase
    - Gianone Park and the Northeast Community Center currently has a septic tank and leech fields. This project will tie in the City of Stockton sewer system.
  - Larch Clover Park Update/Remodel-In progress
    - Larch Clover Community Park in Tracy in in the process of a refresh that includes replacing BBQ's, picnic tables, slide replacements, basketball court painting, bench painting and landscaping. This year long project will also include repairing the baseball diamond, and installing a covered picnic areas so more families can enjoy the park.
- The San Joaquin County Parks and Recreation has 5 fulltime, benefited Park Worker positions available and are currently accepting applications.
- San Joaquin County will be hosting a Truck O'Treat Event on Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00-8:00pm. The event is open to the public (\$5 parking fee applies) . If anyone would like to decorate a car and be part of the event, we have slots available. If you would like more information, please go to [www.sjparks.com](http://www.sjparks.com) or call the Parks office at 209-331-2050.

That concludes the San Joaquin County Parks updates.