

CITY OF LA PUENTE

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

October 15, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Office of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on October 15, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.

Per *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th Edition*, minutes are a record of the actions taken by the body. These minutes do not include a summary of the discussion but only reflect the action taken by the body. A complete audio recording of this meeting is available on request.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Serrano called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Silva, Salas, and Serrano.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Jarquin and Rubio.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Recreation Services Director Bistarkey,
Administrative Secretary Ramirez, City Clerk
Turner, and Recreation Coordinator
Dominguez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chairman Salas.

WELCOME/SWEARING IN OF COMMISSIONER:

City Clerk Turner administered the Oath to Commissioner Silva.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey introduced newly appointed Recreation Coordinator, Adriana Dominguez to the commissioners.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

1. Reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 20, 2009.

Vice Chairman Salas moved and Chairperson Serrano second to approve as presented. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Salas, Silva, and Serrano.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Jarquin and Rubio.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Recreation Director Bistarkey presented the report on Citywide Special Events. This included the Main Street Run, Halloween Festival, Veterans Day Ceremony, Holiday Boutique, and the Holiday Parade and Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Chairperson Serrano stated that she had volunteered last year at the Main Street Run and that it was a great experience and she recommended that all the Parks and Recreation commissioners participate.

Vice Chairman Salas stated that he agreed with Chairperson Serrano and that he would be at the Main Street Run to take some photos. Also, he would like to donate two bicycles for the phone home booth at the Halloween Festival; one girl and one boy bike.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey stated that he expected a larger crowd this year due to the fact that Halloween was on a Saturday, and asked the commissioners to donate their time to be a judge for the Costume Contest.

Vice Chairman Salas asked if there would be Breakfast with Santa this year.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey responded in the negative.

Vice Chairman Salas moved and Chairperson Serrano second to approve as presented. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Salas, Silva, and Serrano.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Jarquin and Rubio.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey presented the report on Senior Center Special Events. This included the Oktoberfest Excursion, Costume Ball, Health Fair, Senior Club Holiday Dance in November, and the Holiday Dance in December.

Vice Chairman Salas moved and Chairperson Silva second to approve as presented. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Salas, Silva, and Serrano.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Jarquín and Rubio.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey presented the report on Fall Recreation Classes and Programs. This included the Fall Classes Report, Men's Adult Basketball League, Women's Adult Basketball League, Adult Co-ed Softball League, Adult Co-ed Volleyball league, Youth Basketball Program, and the Volunteer Coaches and Scorekeepers.

Discussion ensued on how many players are allowed for each adult team; how much each team is charged to play; and on the officials the City uses as referees.

Vice Chairman Salas stated that he had been an official for high school basketball games for thirteen years and college ball for the last six years; he explained that he wanted to bring his experience to the City of La Puente and to give back to the community. He is very confident that staff will do a great job officiating games.

Chairperson Serrano stated that she would like to congratulate Vice Chairman Salas and that she was very impressed with his dedication to basketball and all he gives back to the community.

Vice Chairman Salas moved and Commissioner Silva second to approve as presented. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Salas, Silva, and Serrano.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Jarquín and Rubio.

Recreation Services Director presented the report on consideration of allowing hardball at La Puente Park. And explained on the map where hardball was allowed.

Vice Chairman Salas asked for clarification on the two fields named Storing and Ayala, and asked if those two fields are used for Youth Little League.

Recreation Services Director responded in the affirmative. Also, adding that one issue that arose in 2008 was that the Little League players did not have an assigned area to warm up before a game. It was decided last season (2008) that the players would be allowed to warm up in an assigned area.

Vice Chairman Salas stated that it was important to have an assigned area for Little Leagues to warm up. He recommended that each league should have their own designated area.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey stated that lines were drawn on the grass to designate the warm up area.

Commissioner Silvia stated that she had attended games during the 2008 season at La Puente Park and that the designated area for the Little League players to warm up at worked out just fine.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey asked the commission for direction in regards to a designated warm up area for Girls Softball.

Council Member Solis stated that the insurance carrier for La Puente Park had set rules back in the 1970's that no hard ball would be allowed in certain areas of the park for safety reasons.

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey clarified that any type of League that rents a field at the park must provide the city with insurance and that each League will have their own area to warm up. This would be included in the Park User Guide.

Vice Chairman Salas moved and Chairperson Serrano second to approve as presented. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Salas, Silva, and Serrano.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Jarquin and Rubio.

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Vice Chairman Salas stated that he was excited in regards to the Youth Basketball League. Also, stated that he would be present at the Main Street Run to take photos.

Chairperson Serrano stated that she would like to volunteer at the Main Street Run, and be a judge at the Halloween Festival.

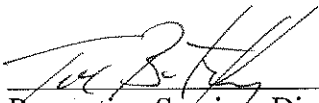
ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF:

Recreation Services Director Bistarkey stated that all information in regards to The Recreation Department was available on the City website. Also, his schedule was going to change effective immediately; he will be taking Wednesday's off, due to having a newborn son at home. He may be contacted on his days off via e-mail which he will be checking from home.

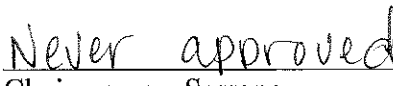
He also would like to welcome new Parks and Recreation Commissioner Silva. In addition the City will be recruiting for Part-time recreation staff for the Community Center and Youth Learning Activity Center. In closing he would like to remind the commission that they need to re-apply in December, if they would like to continue to be a Parks and Recreation Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Serrano adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.



Recreation Services Director, Bistarkey



Chairperson, Serrano

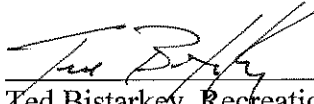
**NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT
DUE TO A LACK OF QUORUM**

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LA PUENTE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular meeting of the La Puente Parks & Recreation Commission scheduled for Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Office, 15900 E. Main Street, La Puente, was adjourned due to lack of a quorum.

Date: April 15, 2010


Ted Bistarkey, Recreation Services Director

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING
CITY OF LA PUENTE)

That I am the Administrative Secretary of the City of La Puente, that the Meeting of the La Puente Parks & Recreation Commission meeting of April 15, 2010, was adjourned due to a lack of a quorum and that a copy of said notice of adjournment was posted in a conspicuous place near the door of the room at which said session was to be held, within 24 hours of said adjournment

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: April 15, 2010


Norma Ramirez, Administrative Secretary

