

Encino Neighborhood Council  
Parks Committee PROPOSED Minutes  
June 3, 2013

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM by Chair Debra George. Voting members present were: Diana Crews, Stacie de Armas (7:23pm), Steven DeVore (Vice-Chair), Glenn Bailey, Sue Wilschke.
2. The proposed minutes for the meeting of April 8, 2013 were approved 4-0-1.
3. Reports from LA City Officials and Departments: Council Districts 5 and 6, Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council, other city Departments.
  - a) Noted that there had been a meeting with Recreation and Parks Maintenance that included a discussion of the condition of the flooring in the Woman's Club and the Encino Community Center. Also discussed was the need for new light-weight tables and chairs for events.
4. Reports from Environmental and Park Groups: SFV Audubon, CA Native Plant Society, Friends of the LA River, Friends of Los Encinos, etc. - None Noted
5. Old Business:
  - a) Park Safety - Correct number to call for non-emergency park related issues is (213) 978-4670. This number connects with the former General Services; now part of LAPD. It had been noted in the ENC monthly meeting that park calls would be elevated above general nuisance calls.
  - b) Off-Leash Dog Park – Per meeting held on May 7, 2013 with Barbara Pleasant from Rec & Parks, and Jeffrey Ebenstein from Paul Koretz's office; reseeding would begin the following week. Noted by Miriam Preissal that donation containers had been taped over to prevent people from donating to the off-leash dog park. Park users were told that the US Army Corps does not allow donations on their land.
  - c) Discussion of City of Los Angeles single use carryout plastic bag ban status. Discussion of biodegradable plastic bags as an alternative to ban on all plastic bags.
6. New Business:
  - a) Balboa Sports Center Park Advisory Board recruitment; volunteers needed.
  - b) Cricket field expansion project presentation by Kamal Aziz and David Sentence of the Southern California Cricket Association. Discussion of the need for an additional cricket field without netting to be placed amply far away from the wildlife path.  
Motion to approve the addition of a single cricket field as presented (SW of Woodley in the Sepulveda Basin) including an expansion of the existing restrooms, and to oppose any of the area being converted into a parking lot. 6-0-0
7. Public Forum: - Comment on non-agenda items. No comments received.
9. The next Parks Committee meeting will be held Monday August 5, 2013.