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PROPOSED MINUTES of PARKS, OPEN SPACE, AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2009

<u>Attending Members:</u> Glenn Bailey (Chair), Sharon Brewer, Kerri Barton, Millie Hamilton, Frances Zamir <u>Absent Members:</u> Lyn Klein

Guests: Jill Croce, Paul Torre, Bahman (Moe) Mojallal

<u>Call to Order</u> at 7:15pm by Chair Glenn Bailey. <u>Quorum</u> established and members introduced. <u>Minutes</u> of July 13th meeting read and approved with the following correction: Item 9 regarding meeting adjournment motion - delete "and Bailey/Brewer"

Role and Responsibilities of Committee Members

- 1. Make recommendations for consideration by the Encino Neighborhood Council.
- 2. Recommend use of the \$1500 allocated for Parks and Recreation.
- 3. Suggest that the Board reconsider an increase in the amount of this allocation.

Name Change Proposal:

CONSENT ITEM: Motion that "The Parks, Open Space, and Recreation Committee recommends that the Encino Neighborhood Council change the name of the committee to Parks Committee." (Frances/Kerri) Discussion and call for vote. VOTE: 5-0-0

Committee Vice-Chair and Secretary

Discussion on the selection of Committee Vice-Chair and Secretary. Decided Frances Zamir be secretary. Selection of Vice-Chair tabled to next meeting of the Committee.

Park Reports and Updates:

- Encino Park
- Balboa Sports Center

Pathway adjacent to children's playground that was removed with construction of playround; Frances to follow up with Peter Marinovich.

Question regarding application for tennis concession at the park; Paul to follow up with Glenn.

- Sepulveda Basin Off Leash Dog Park
- Frances to email meeting and contact information to Glenn.
- Bielenson Park/Lake Balboa

Shopping carts in Bull Creek

• Woodley Park

Millie to obtain input from Japanese Garden Committee regarding large and/or noisy events, outline concerns and make recommendations to this committee for presentation to the ENC.

• Wildlfe Areas

Committee meets fourth Tuesday of the month.

Libbit Park

Concerns regarding use of \$170,000 of Quimby Funds awarded to this park for improvements. Which improvements? Who benefits? Possible better use of Funds. Sharon to follow up. Recent change in dog signage.

**<u>For next month's agenda</u>: List all sources of funding available (ie: Quimby) and process for determination of awards.

- Los Encinos State Historic Park
 Govenor removed park closure from the table.
 Glenn to follow up with contact person to possibly serve as liason to this committee.
- Future Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex

Plans available through Megan, Deputy for Councilman Smith; Frances to follow up. Department of Recreation and Parks Budget Reductions, Staffing, and Service Levels

- a. Friends of Lake Balboa Monthly Meeting, Staffing and Facility Use Committee no longer able to meet at facility; no support for committee CONSENT ITEM: <u>Motion (Frances/Kerri)</u> that the "Encino Neighborhood Council write a letter to the Department of Recreation and Parks requesting continued staff attendance and ongoing use of a meeting facility at RAP Valley Region Office for the bimonthly meetings of the Friends of Lake Balboa, an advisory committee to the RAP Department." VOTE: 5-0-0
- b. Park Ranger Deployment at Regional Parks; <u>Tabled</u>

Additional Benches along Walkways to Balboa Sports Center

Frances to follow up with Peter to determine which benches are acceptable, how they will be secured and costs involved. Copy to Glenn.

Persian New Year (Nooruz) Festival, April 4, 2010

Bahman Mojallal (Moe) provided information regarding plans for this year's Festival. He cited the following improvements:

- <u>Parking</u> No parking on roads inside the park.
 Limit parking on Balboa to minimize "jaywalking."
- <u>Signage</u> 40% more signs including "No Smoking" and "Do Not Feed the Birds" in English and Farsi.
- <u>Advertising</u> Signs to advertise the event prior to April 4th.
 Possible article in The Daily News
- <u>Traffic Patterns</u> Brochures/maps distributed at park entrance.
 Booths only on one side of walk path facing away from the path.
 Additional fencing.
 - Longer temporary bridge over creek.
- Trash/Clean Up Four trash bins located on interior roads.

Vendor to leave \$500 deposit.

Discussion, questions, and concerns related to traffic, parking, capacity of parking lots and park access for general public.

CONSENT ITEM: <u>Motion</u> (Frances/Sharon) to "Recommend Encino Neighborhood Council support Mr. Bahman Mojallal of CBM Special Events as the organizer of the 2010 Persian New Year (Nooruz) event to be held in Beilenson Park/Lake Balboa on Sunday, April 4, 2010 with the agreement that he come back to the ENC to address traffic and parking concerns associated with this event. VOTE: 5-0-0

<u>Agenda items 11</u> (Rosendahl Motion regarding number of dogs and dog walkers in Dog Parks) <u>and 12</u> (LaBonge Motion regarding possible ENC clean up of Sepulveda Basin) <u>Tabled.</u>

Next Committee Meeting to be scheduled prior to the ENC meeting in January 2010.

No additional comments, announcements, or public comment.

<u>Adjournment</u> at 10:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Frances Zamir, Secretary