

**MINUTES  
FREMONT RECREATION COMMISSION  
VIRTUAL MEETING  
AUGUST 5, 2020**

**1. PRELIMINARY**

- A. Call to Order:** Commissioner Mora called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Flag Salute:** Commissioner Gill led the salute to the flag.
- C. Roll Call:** Present: Commissioners Jannet Benz, Robby Gill, Brian Hughes, Mia Mora, Larry Thompson, Pavan Vedere and Elissa Winters  
Staff Present: Community Services Director Suzanne Wolf, Community Services Deputy Director Kim Beranek, Parks Planning & Design Manager Roger Ravenstad, Senior Landscape Architect Tara Bhuthimethee, Park Superintendent Juan Barajas, Recreation Superintendent I Irene Jordahl, Recreation Superintendent I Michael Sa, Recreation Superintendent I Lance Scheetz and Executive Assistant Tracey Leung

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR - None**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Commissioner Thompson and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to approve the minutes of June 3, 2020

Ayes: Commissioners Benz, Gill, Hughes, Mora, Thompson, Vedere and Winters  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Item opened for public comment.

Ping Chin provided a written comment to the Commission regarding pickleball courts.

Kelly Abreu made a comment to open Rancho Higuera for public access and recreational use; and he also suggested staff include Rancho Higuera in the Master Plan. He mentioned that the EBRPD/City of Fremont liaison meeting has lapsed for 18 months. He stated that Mission Peak Stanford Avenue staging area should be kept open.

Lynn Miller expressed that urban biodiversity planning should be included in Master Plan update. She suggested Commissioners review the survey questions after the questions are created.

Item closed to public.

**5. STAFF PRESENTATIONS/CEREMONIAL ITEMS**

- 5.1** Senior Landscape Architect Tara Bhuthimethee gave an update of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan including feedback thus far, outreach efforts, Draft Fremont Existing Parks Atlas, and next steps.
- 5.2** Recreation Superintendent I Michael Sa and Recreation Superintendent I Irene Jordahl provided an update on summer programs and how recreation is planning for Fall.
- 5.3** Park Superintendent Juan Barajas provided a status update on current Park Fixture and Structure closures, in accordance with the Covid-19 County Ordinance; along with a brief summary of summer operating plans/procedures and ongoing Park Maintenance services.

**6. ACTION ITEMS – None**

**7. COMMISSION REFERRALS – None**

**8. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Deputy Director Kim Beranek informed the Commission about the upcoming Car Cinema Outdoor Movie Night on August 14.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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Suzanne Wolf, Secretary  
Fremont Recreation Commission