

**City of Patterson**  
**Parks, Recreation & Beautification Commission Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting of March 15, 2023**

**1. Call to Order**

Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez called the Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Beautification Commission of the City of Patterson to order at the City Hall Council Chambers at 5:06 P.M.

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Commissioners: Gabriela Fernandez-Hernandez (Vice-Chair), Adolfo Virgen (Commissioner), Renelle Layfield (Commissioner), Oscar Roman (Commissioner), and Kandace Weyhrauch (Commissioner)

City Staff: Deputy Director Robert Andrade (Ex-Officio Member), Xavier Guluarte (Deputy Director), Adrian Laurel (Environmental Compliance Specialist), and Brittany Callum (Secretary).

**Absent:** None

**3. Statements of Conflict : None**

**4. Items from the Public:**

Yolanda Magana, Patterson Resident - presented to the commission a copy of the City of Tracy: Parks & Recreation Commission Guide that was used during her term on the commission.

**5. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The minutes for the January 18, 2023, special meeting was reviewed and approved by the Commission with a 5-0 vote. Adolfo Virgen motioned and Renelle Layfield 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carries.

**6. Review of Action Items: None**

**7. Agenda Items**

New & Returning Business

**7.a Chair Election**

Vice-Chair Gabriela Fernandez-Hernandez motioned to elect Adolfo Virgen as Commission Chairperson. No other Commissioners wished to nominate themselves. Commissioner Virgen accepts the nomination.

**Vote: 5-0; Motion Carries**

Yes: Gabriela F.-H. Renelle L., Oscar R., Kandace W., Adolfo V.
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No: None
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**7b. Parks, Recreation and Beautification Award Process (Commissioner Virgen)**

Commissioner Virgen suggested that the commission create a straightforward process for award nominations and giving out an award with intention. Commissioner Weyhrauch shared a document outlining the general guidelines for the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Award (PRBC Award).

*Action:* Commission will review the document submitted. The Commission will submit any edits to the document to Secretary Brittany Callum by 03/31/2023. Secretary Brittany Callum will then send received edits to Commissioner Weyhrauch to finalize for the next meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**7c. Wall Mural Project (Gabriela Fernandez-Hernandez)**

Vice Chair Fernandez-Hernandez shared that Love Patterson has pledged \$1,000, Invest in Me has pledged \$1,000 and the Commission has pledged \$1,000. Vice Chair Fernandez-Hernandez shared the conditions of Invest in Me's contribution. Deputy Director Robert Andrade informed the commission of the necessary steps to proceed with obtaining funding and presenting information to the City Council.

*Action:* Commission has agreed to review and decide on a location for the mural by the next meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**7d. Love Patterson Presentation (Love Patterson Member)**

Chairperson Virgen motioned to table the agenda item until Commissioner Weyhrauch was ready to proceed with the Love Patterson presentation. Commissioner Weyhrauch 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The verbal vote was 5-0. Motion carries.

Commissioner Weyhrauch shared a presentation regarding the Love Patterson Non-Profit and announced this year's date for April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Commissioner Weyhrauch shared contact information with the commission if they would like to volunteer for the Love Patterson event.

**7e. Apricot Fiesta Involvement (Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez)**

The commission discussed how they would like to be involved in Apricot Fiesta. Some options were having a booth to give out the Recreation Activity Guide, doing a survey of what the community would like to see from the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission, or participating in the parade. Commissioner Weyhrauch has volunteered to

take over the Apricot Fiesta Involvement agenda item once Vice-Chair Fernandez-Hernandez term ends.

**7f. Farmers Market Location (Commissioner Layfield)**

Commissioner Layfield motioned to remove this item from the agenda until the May 2023 commission meeting. Commissioner Weyhrauch second the motion.

**Vote: 5-0; Motion Carries**

Yes: Gabriela F.-H. Renelle L., Oscar R., Kandace W., Adolfo V.
No: None

**7g. Advertising Activities through Peach Jar (Commissioner Layfield)**

Commissioner Layfield informed the commission of the criteria to publish or share information to the community through Peach Jar.

*Action:* Commissioner Layfield will follow up with Patterson Joint Unified School District about advertising free recreation activities through Peach Jar.

**7h. Adding Shade to Parks (Commissioner Layfield)**

Commissioner Layfield requested to table this item until the next meeting.

*Action:* Commissioner Layfield will send Secretary Brittany Callum an example of the type of shading she suggests with the park location.

**7i. Activities for Teens through School District (Commissioner Virgen)**

Chair Virgen gave suggestions on ways that the school district and the City Council could partner up imminently to support teens through Patterson High School Prep Project.

*Action:* Commissioner Virgen will create a presentation for the City Council to share what the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission would like to see from them.

**8. Other Matters: None**

**9. Adjournment**

With there being no further business, Chairperson Virgen moved to adjourn the City of Patterson Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission Meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Any questions or concerns, please email them to Brittany Callum at [bcallum@ci.patterson.ca.us](mailto:bcallum@ci.patterson.ca.us).

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