

**CITY OF ONTARIO
RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION
APRIL 26, 2021
MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: DEAN, RILEY, NELSEN, OVITT, BINNEY, CASKEY, TRINIDAD, BRAVO, ESCOBOSA,

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: GONZALEZ, HUISMAN, HICKEY, MAYOR PRO TEM WAPNER, HAES, MEDINA

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CALL MEETING TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair, Kenneth Dean at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Larry Trinidad, Commissioner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S (TRINIDAD/RILEY) TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR APRIL 2021 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Monthly Statistical Reports for April 2021.

M/S (TRINIDAD/OVITT) TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR APRIL 2021 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DEPARTMENT REPORT:

- 1. Recreation & Community Services** – Nicholas Gonzalez, Recreation & Community Services Director, narrated a PowerPoint presentation on department highlights of program activities that occurred in April 2021.

A copy of this presentation is available upon request from the Commission Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Ontario Recreation & Parks Master Plan Update** – Nicholas Gonzalez, Recreation & Community Services Director presented a PowerPoint update to the Commission on the Recreation & Parks Master Plan.

- a. Nicholas Gonzalez reminded the Commission of a special meeting for the Recreation & Parks Master Plan presentation and adoption that will be set for June 2, 2021 (revised date) at 4:30 PM in the Community Meeting Room located in City Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Introduction of Staff** – Nicholas Gonzalez, Recreation and Community Services Director introduced Marina Medina who was promoted to the position of Senior Recreation & Community Services Supervisor overseeing the Westwind Community Center.

COMMENTS:

MAYOR PRO

TEM WAPNER: Thanked our staff members who are committed and dedicated to the City of Ontario. Mayor pro Tem Wapner stated he has never seen a Recreation Department that cared more about the people of Ontario. Thank you to the Commission for their continued attendance and dedication.

NELSEN: Commissioner Nelsen stated that it was a very informative meeting.

OVITT: Commissioner Ovitt commented on the March attendance report stating how awesome it is that 50,000 people showed up to take advantage of our programming even during this time of COVID-19 and all the restrictions that are in place .

TRINIDAD: Great presentation! Especially with the Rec Dog's instructions on how to create a CivicRec account! Commissioner Trinidad requested a copy of the aquatic rules regarding COVID-19.

BINNEY: Thanked everyone in the Recreation and in the Parks Departments for all their hard work and dedication to the community.

CASKEY: Expressed how good it is to see the adult programs developing at Westwind Community Center and senior programs at the Senior Center. Golf is a great activity for seniors, and it would be very beneficial to partner more with Whispering Lakes Golf Course.

BRAVO: No comments.

ESCOBOSA: Thanked everyone for all that they do. The opportunities I have now are great and most appreciated.

RILEY: Vice Chair Riley welcomed Marina Medina in her new Senior Recreation & Community Services Supervisor role. Riley stated that the presentations were so

concise. She shared how nice it will be to see the Zum-Up classes moving indoors soon.

DEAN: Commission Chair Ken Dean shared that he and Commissioner Binney attended the Seeds of Joy Community Garden ribbon cutting ceremony at Anthony Muñoz Park. He stated that it is going to be a great release and is a very nice set up. He shared that he is very proud of the City of Ontario and the Community Life & Culture Agency and all that they have to offer the community.

M/S (OVITT/BINNEY) TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. NEXT RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 24, 2021 AT 6:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT: 7:15 PM



Ann Huisman, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Kenneth Dean, Chairperson