

## **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in a regular session via Virtual Zoom call on July 9, 2020.

### **Members Present:**

Claud Cluff  
Matthew Erickson  
Rob Giles  
Jaime Glasser  
Cindy Hayton  
Nycole Leyba  
Brent Maldonado  
Jacob Martinez  
Orchidia Peterson

### **Staff Present:**

Marc Heirshberg  
Aimee Manis  
Maigon Hudson

### **Members Absent:**

Kimberly Forest  
Jo Martin

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Nycole Leyba, Vice-Chair.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Leyba asked if there was a motion for approval of the minutes from the June 2, 2020 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting. Matt Erickson made a motion, Jaime Glasser seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Cluff – Erickson - Giles – Glasser - Hayton – Leyba – Maldonado – Martinez – Peterson

NAYS – None

**Public Comments:** None

**Introduction of new member – Rob Giles:** Mr. Giles background has been in Parks and Recreation in California, during the last several years he worked with Gilbert Parks and Recreation, where he retired. He has been a Mesa resident for 13 years.

### **Presentation on the effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities Department**

Marc Heirshberg, Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Board on the effects of COVID-19 on the Department.

At the end of the presentation, the floor was opened for questions; Ms. Glasser asked about status of Mesa Public Schools and how that would impact our school-based programs, Mr. Heirshberg stated that Mesa Public Schools would start August 4<sup>th</sup> online, with more information on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Currently staff are on stand-by and are awaiting information. Currently we are providing take and make projects at 3 of the Recreation Centers. Ms. Orchidia Peterson wanted to extend her appreciation for the take and make bags and for the camps staff are able to do. Ms. Glasser stated that she has been impressed with the ability for staff to continue to do things online. Mr. Erickson also mentioned all the online adaptive programs staff are doing, multiple

classes during the week and how much that is helping participants and parents in those adaptive programs.

### **Director's Comments**

Mr. Heirshberg provided a Project Update:

- Mesa City Center Plaza is moving along, it is currently in the design phase.
- North Center Street, archeologic studies are continuing.
- Monterey Park, staff have been focused on purchasing a 5-acre parcel, but due to owners asking price, staff is currently moving forward without that parcel of land.
- Red Mountain Center project – the current lake will be enough to water the additional property. The design project is moving forward, and a public meeting will be held sometime in the future.

### **Reports on meetings and/or events attended by Board Members**

No report of any meetings.

Mr. Matt Erickson asked if there were any other items for discussion; the Board had no additional comments or discussion. Ms. Jaime Glasser made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Orchidia Peterson, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Cluff – Erickson - Giles – Glasser - Hayton – Leyba – Maldonado – Martinez – Peterson  
NAYS – None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Heirshberg, CPRE  
PRCF Department Director