



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Neighborhood Advisory Council
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, December 7, 2011
Westside Community Center, 423 W. Victoria Street
6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chairperson Teresa Pena.

1. ROLL CALL

Members	Present	Absent
Aldana, Sebastian		x
Byrne, Sharon	x	
Foxen, Sally	x	
Greene, Naomi		x
Kingston, Sally		x
Limon, Javier		x
Vela-Mendoza, Raquel		x
Molina, Beatriz		x
Pena, Theresa	x	
Soto, Ana	x	
Trujillo, Cesar	x	
Vassallo, Tony	x	
Walters, Holly	x	

STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Hanna, Susan Young, Ricardo Venegas, and Maria Arroyo

LIAISONS: Commissioners Nick Ferrara, CDHSC Brenda Collins-Powell

GUESTS: Paul Didier, United Way

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It was moved and seconded by Advisory Board Members Foxen and Walters, respectively, to approve the minutes of November 9, 2011 with corrections. Corrections to the minutes included correction to Item 9b. Motion carried.
3. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS – There were no agenda adjustments.
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None
5. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

6. STAFF REPORTS - Staff Susan Young reported the following:

- The mural project at Bonnet Park is progressing on time. The mural is being coordinated by staff of NOS and the Arts Alliance students. Board members were encouraged to stop by the park on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays between noon and 5 p.m. to observe the mural being painted.
- Staff has tentatively set January 8th as date for an E-waste event with UCSB and the County of Santa Barbara. The e-waste events conducted are part of the staff's Step Up for Youth Program in which youth are able to volunteer time and get a stipend while learning some project management skills.
- Holiday Dinner – staff stated due to budgetary reasons and low donations, the holiday dinner would be sponsored at only one neighborhood center – the Franklin Center. Unity Shoppe is working to donate at least 100 toys for the event; Franklin Center hopes to feed at least 70 families. Volunteers will include youth apprentices and neighbors from the Eastside. Neighborhood Advisory Board members are encouraged to come and meet the families.
- Staff reminded the Board of the City's upcoming furlough. Furlough hours have been posted at all the centers, which will be closed from December 19th thru January 3rd, with the exception that the Franklin Youth Center will be opened from Tuesday thru Friday 12 to 6 pm each week and there will be limited hours opened at the Davis Center.
- Staff thanked the board members for following Robert Rules of Order and going through the Chair as it was very helpful as well to the minute taker.

7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS –

- a. Youth – Committee Chair Trujillo reported that Laurie Parker, Executive Director for PAL, gave a presentation to the committee of the programs that they offer for the youth in general and at the Twelve35 Teen Center.
- b. Health & Safety – Committee Chair Vassallo reported that Ken Rivas gave a report about stop signs. Members agree to go to City Council and request the report of the stop signs. Motion was passed to keep this item in future agendas
- c. Outreach & Events – Committee Member Foxen reported that NAC will be participating in the Milpas Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 10, 2011 @ 10:00am.

8. OLD BUSINESS

Staff Hanna gave handout to NAC members regarding updates on City projects including:

- Milpas Street Traffic Study
- West Downtown Lighting Project
- Redevelopment Agency Status
- 311 information Line

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. United Way - Paul Didier, gave a presentation on the different programs that the United Way offers in partnership with different agencies on the Westside.
 - Parent & Child Program
 - United for Literacy Program
 - Fun in Sun
 - Bohnett Park Project Council
 - Tax Assistant and financial planning
- b. CDBG/Human Services - Ricardo Venegas spoke about two programs, Arts Alliance and Job Apprentice, which the Department would be submitting CDBG grant applications. After brief discussion, it was moved and seconded by Committee Members Vassallo and Trujillo, respectively, to approve the submission of the Arts Alliance and Job Apprentice projects for CDBG funding. Motion carried.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Elections of new Chair and Vice Chair
Laurie Parker, Police Activities League

11. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

NEXT MEETING – January 11, 2012

Respectively submitted by:

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