



**City of Santa Barbara  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
Regular Monthly Meeting**

**Wednesday, December 12, 2007**

**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Conner called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Forsell

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners & Staff Present**

- Commissioner Ada Conner
- Commissioner Beebe Longstreet
- Commissioner Steve Forsell
- Commissioner Arnolando Gonzalez
- Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall
- Park and Recreation Commission Intern Christina Gonzalez
- Parks & Recreation Director Nancy Rapp
- Asst. Parks & Recreation Director Jill Zachary
- Urban Forest Superintendent Timothy Downey
- Executive Assistant Karla Megill
- Recreation Programs Manager Sarah Hanna
- Parks Manager Santos Escobar
- Recreation Programs Manager Judith Cook
- Business Manager Nancy Woods
- Recreation Supervisor Rich Hanna
- Landscape Architect Billy Goodnick
- Recreation Supervisor Jason Bryan
- Recreation Supervisor I Terry Brown
- Recreation Supervisor I Susan Jang-Bardick
- City Councilmember Das Williams

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS**

Commissioner Forsell reported on the activities of the Front Country Trails Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force. He indicated that the Task Force held a special meeting on

November 17, 2007 where they discussed policies and obtained input. He said the group is moving toward making recommendations and have tentatively scheduled a meeting for the first Wednesday of February (February 6, 2008).

### **YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT**

Ms. Gonzalez provided this report. She said the Youth Council is currently working on recommendations regarding the Social Host Ordinance. Ms. Gonzalez indicated that the Youth Council is also working on the Teen Center Anniversary. She reminded everyone that the Youth Council meets the first and third Monday of the month.

#### **1. Summary of Council Actions**

Ms. Rapp briefed the Commission that the Parks and Recreation and Police Departments presented a report to City Council on November 20, 2007, regarding programs for at risk youth and youth violence.

Ms. Rapp advised that Mayor Blum appointed Ms. Chelsey Gonzalez as the Youth Intern to the Council Committee on Youth and Children. She said this is the first appointment of a youth intern other than to the Park and Recreation Commission since the implementation of the program since 1995.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes**

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2007.

Commissioner Forsell asked that it be noted in the minutes of the November 14, 2007, meeting minutes for item 7, Consideration of Request to Locate a Verizon Telecommunications Facility at the Santa Barbara Municipal Tennis Facility (1414 Park Place), that he is the Commissioner who voted against moving the Verizon Proposal forward to City Council for further consideration.

**Commissioner Steve Forsell moved, seconded by Commissioner Beebe Longstreet, and passed 4/0 that waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2007, as amended.**

**Commissioner Larimore-Hall Abstained.**

### **VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

#### **3. Recognition of the Junior Lifeguard Parent Volunteers for Their Support of the Santa Barbara Junior Lifeguard Program**

Recommendation: That the Commission recognize the Junior Lifeguard program parent volunteers for their support of the Junior Lifeguard program and their dedication to assisting staff with hosting the 2006 and 2007 Junior Lifeguard State Championships.

The Commission recognized the Junior Lifeguard parent volunteers and presented certificates of recognition to them. The following individuals were recognized: Andrea Pighetti, Tony Pighetti, Beverly Holliday, Dwight Faulding, Kathy Faulding, Sunny Ingalls, Linda Racich, Peter Ysebrands, Stephanie Simmons, Jim Simmons, Theresa Beard, Barbara Wheeler, Connie Fung, Stan Fung, Peter Sklar, and Sue Foley.

### **COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Rapp briefed the Commission that City Council heard the Arts and Crafts Show appeal of the HLC final design decision on December 11, 2007. She further briefed that Council voted to deny the appeal, which means that the project will move forward to construction. Ms. Rapp said that Council recognized that there was a significant reduction in the amount of landscaping from what was originally proposed. She said the original proposal had over 17,000 square feet of landscaping in the Cabrillo sidewalk area, which was reduced to 7,000 square feet. Ms. Rapp said that Council did ask staff to work with the historic consultants to see what could be carved out and still comply with all of the State Historic Office requirements. Ms. Rapp said that staff is pleased that the project will be moving forward.

Ms. Rapp briefed that Guerrimo Gonzalez from Senator Feinstein's office did a site visit of the Afterschool Programs. She said that Mr. Gonzalez was very impressed with the variety and quality of programs offered by the City. Ms. Rapp said that staff stressed the importance of state and federal funding to these programs.

Ms. Rapp advised the Commission that Carol Terry is retiring after 15 years of City service. She said the Department is hosting a retirement barbeque for Carol on December 20, 2007, at noon at the Parks Yard. She invited the Commissioners to attend.

Ms. Rapp informed the Commission that Teen Programs was awarded the "Be the Change" award from the Southern California Teen Coalition. She said the "Be the Change" award, is presented to programs that have stepped out of the box and performed outstanding teen activities. Ms. Rapp said the award was received for the Youth Council, City Candidates Forum, Alcohol and Drug Prevention Work on the prevention of underage drinking and the Social Host Ordinance, and for the 1235 Teen Center. Ms. Rapp said that staff was very please to receive this award.

Ms. Rapp indicated that Susan Young was appointed to the Southern California Teen Coalition's Board of Directors.

Chair Conner asked that staff place the topic of returning the Park and Recreation Commission to a body of seven representatives on an upcoming agenda, due to the number of advisory committees and other subcommittees to which the Commission provides liaisons.

#### 4. Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Approve the following Setback Tree removal request.

1. 1431 Shoreline Dr. - Lauren Emma - Myoporum

Mr. Downey highlighted this removal request. He said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff feel the tree is of little benefit in its present location and that removal would improve light for the adjacent tree and reduce the risk of damage to neighboring properties. Mr. Downey stated that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff recommend removal of the tree.

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Steve Forsell, and passed 5/0 that approve the removal of the Myoporum located at 1431 Shoreline Drive.**

B. Deny the following Street Tree removal request.

1. 656 E. Valerio St. - George Bourgeois - Pittosporum

Mr. Downey highlighted this street tree removal request. He said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff feel the tree has value to the neighborhood. He said that the tree does lean; however, there is not sign that the tree is likely to fall. Mr. Downey said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff recommend denial of the removal request.

**Commissioner Steve Forsell moved, seconded by Commissioner Beebe Longstreet, and passed 5/0 that to deny the remove of the Pittosporum located at 656 E. Valerio Street.**

C. Deny the following Setback Tree removal requests.

1. 1727 Santa Barbara St. - Richard Suding - Canary Island Palm

Speakers: Richard Suding and Phil Suding addressed the Commission explaining their reasons for wanting the tree removed. Mr. Phil Suding further indicated that they would replace the tree with a suitable species of a suitable size and respectfully requested the Commission consider their request to remove the tree.

Commissioner Longstreet asked where the house is in the design phase and whether the landscape plan has been approve.

Mr. Richard Suding responded saying that it they are going through the single family design board now with their final plans.

Commissioner Longstreet asked whether there is a landscape plan, and said it would be helpful to see a landscape plan. She said they are caught in

between two boards, and it is difficult to make a decision when the Commission does not have all of the information.

Mr. Phil Suding said that the Single Family Design Board has approved the removal. He further said that he understood that the Commission received a copy of the landscape plan.

Commissioner Longstreet said it would be helpful to see the landscape plans when they are considering it.

Commissioner Longstreet said she would prefer to be able to review the landscape plan, and for staff to be able to find out where it is in the design phase and get comments from ABR regarding why they would approve the landscape plan. She further said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee would not have had enough information to make a decision with a landscape plan.

Mr. Phil Suding said that they would try to obtain final approval from the Single Family Design Review Board and come back to the Commission with their recommendations.

Mr. Downey interjected that the Street Tree Advisory Committee did review the landscape plan.

Commissioner Longstreet suggested the item be continued until the Commission could have the Single Family Design Review Board comments, saying she does not feel the Commission has enough information to make a decision.

Commissioner Gonzalez asked the projected cost for removing and replanting the tree.

Mr. Phil Suding said the projected cost for removing and replanting the tree is approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000. He further said that the companies they contacted did not seem to be able to recoup that cost in selling the tree so it is not feasible.

Mr. Downey concurred. He said it would take at least one large crane, and the cost would be exorbitant. He said Mr. Suding explored the option, but it was not feasible.

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 4/0 that revisit this tree removal request at the January 2008 Commission meeting, when the the additional information requested by the Commission is made available.**

Commissioner Forsell abstained.

2. 920 Ontare Rd. - Virginia Revendy - Olive

Mr. Downey highlighted this tree removal request. He said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff feel that fruit drop is not a valid reason to remove the tree. He stated that the Committee suggested that the applicant's mailbox could be moved to a location that would permit the applicant to access the mail without transiting through fallen fruit on the way to the mailbox. Mr. Downey said that the Committee and staff unanimously recommend the denial of the removal request.

3. 231 Los Aguajes - Ross Koda - Mexican Fan Palm

Mr. Downey highlighted this removal request. He said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff feel the hazard can be mitigated with proper pruning and that trees of this specie can be trimmed at almost any height. He said that trees of this specie in the immediate area have been pruned and are three times the height of this tree. Mr. Downey said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff recommend the denial of this removal request.

4. 203 Chapala St. - Richard W. Sanders - Monkey Puzzle

Mr. Downey highlighted this removal request. He said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff determined that the tree is part of the original landscape of a hotel that was located in this area. He said that during investigation of the tree area, there were many male cones and no evidence of female cones. Mr. Downey said that male cones are small and do not pose a hazard. He said that the Committee and staff feel the tree adds character and benefits the entire community. Mr. Downey said that the Committee and staff recommend the denial of the removal request.

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnoldo Gonzalez, and passed 5/0 that concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendations to deny the removal of the specified setback trees located at 920 Ontare Road, 231 Los Aguajes, and 203 Chapala Street.**

- D. Recommend postponement of a decision and ask for more information from the applicant.

1. 907 Isleta Ave. - Mary Turley - Norfolk Island Pine

Mr. Downey highlighted this removal request. He said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff think the tree is a fire hazard and with some direction in proper pruning, the tree can be maintained above the roof height. He said, however, that there may be some merit to removing the tree

dependent on what landscaping plans the applicant has. Mr. Downey said that the Committee and staff recommend that the Commission postpone a decision until landscape plans are provided.

Speaker: Ms. Mary Turley addressed the Commission explaining her reasons for wanting the tree removed. She asked the Commission for a date by which she could return with a landscape plan so she can continue the process. Ms. Turley said she is more than willing to work with the Parks and Recreation Department regarding recommendations. She further said she is willing to replace the tree with something that is more appropriate, drought resistant, easy to maintain, and further from the house.

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Steve Forsell, and passed 5/0 that continue taking action on this street tree removal request for 90 days.**

E. Approve the following Street Tree Designation.

1. 1000 block of East Haley St.

Mr. Downey said that the Commission looked at a project at 1017 East Haley Street and ruled to approve the removal of a setback tree and a street tree on the condition that additional trees are placed as street trees. He said that this item is a follow-up to that item. Mr. Downey said that the current Street Tree designation is *Geijera parvifolia* (Australian Willow); however, that species is not performing well in that area because of the heavy soil. He said that in the 900 block of East Haley Street, the Street Tree designation is *Lophostemon conferta* (Brisbane Box Tree), and that is performing well. Mr. Downey said that the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff recommends that the *Lophostemon conferta* be continued into the 1000 block of East Haley.

**Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Beebe Longstreet, and passed 5/0 that approve the Street Tree designation for the 1000 block of East Haley Street as recommended by staff.**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS**

### **5. Capital Program Update - For Information (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Commission review the attached Capital Project Status Report and receive a staff presentation on current capital projects.

Ms. Zachary provided an overview of the Capital Program Update.

Mr. Goodnick provided the Commission with a Capital Project status report.

Specifically, he provided an updated on the Bohnett Park Expansion; Plaza Vera Cruz Improvement; Leadbetter Beach Utilities; Tennis Lighting Control Project; and Dwight Murphy Field Fencing.

Commissioner Forsell commented that many of the projects have languished for years. He said it is really terrific to see these projects getting done. Mr. Forsell said that the Tennis Advisory Committee has talked about the Tennis Lighting Control project for years, and with energy costs as high as they are now, the completion of this project will result in cost savings. Mr. Forsell further said that Tennis Services Coordinator Cathy Carpenter deserves a lot of credit for getting this project moving forward.

Mr. Forsell asked for clarification on the Los Baños Deep End Wall Repair and Replastering project. He asked whether the \$500,000 will come from the General Fund or will the Department seek grant funding.

Ms. Zachary said that there are ICS funds, which are General Fund funds, for the project. She said funding is a little short at this time, but there are funds that will allow for the completion of design and allow staff to move forward with construction bid documents. Ms. Zachary said there are additional funds in Fiscal Year 2009 which will address re-plastering of the wall. She further said staff is recommending the re-plastering of the pool and the deep end wall repair be done at the same time because water will be out of the pool for the wall project and the plastering has to occur. She said that the plastering funds will be available at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2009. Ms. Zachary advised that staff still has to identify the source of \$120,000, whether that comes from within the General Fund or another source is undetermined at this time, but staff is committed to making sure that project occurs next summer.

Commissioner Forsell asked whether there are any updates on the efforts to raise the funds for the Franceschi House.

Ms. Rapp said she is working with the Pearl Chase Society on an update which will be provided to the Commission and City Council within the next few months.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall asked whether the Franceschi presentation will include a discussion around an agreement with the Pearl Chase Society.

Ms. Rapp said that basically staff will be meeting with the Pearl Chase Society on a regular basis and at some point, staff will bring that to the Commission. She said that generally the Commission is not involved in the setting of the terms of the agreement.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall asked whether the agreement will cover the period after the project is completed or will it cover the terms around managing the work and construction.

Ms. Rapp said it will include the approval to proceed with construction, all the financial aspects of that, and more importantly maintenance and operation once the construction is completed, so that we are all agreeing on how the facility will be used and how it will be maintained prior to any approval to move forward with construction.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall asked regarding the renovation, what is the status of the parking lot.

Mr. Goodnick said that the parking lot is under construction; he said the concrete and curbs are in and the asphalt goes in tomorrow.

Chair Conner thanked staff for the Capital Program Update. She said she appreciates the report.

**6. Community Special Events Held in City Parks and Beaches**

Recommendation: That the Commission hear a report from staff regarding the Department's work with community and City special events.

Ms. Jang-Bardick provided this report.

Chair Conner and Commissioner Longstreet praised Ms. Jang-Bardick's efforts.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall commented that this is a good reminder of how integrated the public, non-profit, private, and volunteer sectors are in making these things happen. He thanked Ms. Jang-Bardick for her efforts.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall commented that Ms. Jang-Bardick is a vast depository of information for people needing to interface with the City and go through the permitting process. He questioned whether there is a way to lift the burden from Ms. Jang-Bardick by way of publications and possibly a FAQ section on the City's or Department's Website.

Ms. Jang-Bardick said that Special Events Guide and Application contains a great deal of information, but she had not considered placing a FAQ section on the Website.

Commissioner Gonzalez asked how many people per event or throughout the year participate in the events, in general.

Ms. Bardick said that at least a couple hundred thousand people participate in the City's special events each year.

Ms. Rapp said that information was in the participation report provided last month. She said she would email that information to the Commission again.

**7. Report on the 19th Annual Senior Expo**

Recommendation: That the Commission view a presentation on the 19th Annual Senior Expo co-sponsored by City Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Bryan provided this report.

**OLD BUSINESS - None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**8. Proposed Policy Changes for Shotgun Tournaments**

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the recommended changes to the Shotgun Tournament policy at the Santa Barbara Golf Club.

Ms. Woods highlighted what a Shotgun Tournament is.

Ms. Woods stated that staff recommends changes to the Shotgun Tournament policy at the Santa Barbara Golf Club in order to have a written policy consistent with actual practice and a desire to expand the policy to draw more golfers to the golf course. She said that of the 100 or so public tournament held at the golf course, approximately three to four are shotgun tournaments. Ms. Woods said that the existing policy states that the Park and Recreation Commission, as authorized by City Council, shall have authority to establish and adjust policies and procedures as necessary related to use of Santa Barbara Golf Club for tournament play.

Ms. Woods highlighted the following recommended policy language. She said that the policy language is:

Shotgun tournaments may be scheduled during the months of September to May on Mondays and Fridays. Shotgun groups must pay green fees for a minimum of 100 players and a maximum of 120 players, plus a shotgun fee of \$500 for Monday play and \$1,000 for Friday play.

Shotgun tournaments may be scheduled during the months of June through August on one Monday per month, in the afternoon, scheduled at the discretion of the Director of Golf. Double shotguns will not be approved, but single shotgun tournaments may be held with the tournament group starting in the afternoon, and a shotgun tournament may be held in the morning, open to the public at large, scheduled at the discretion of the Director of Golf.

The tournament groups must purchase minimum food service at the current cost of a basic lunch box, per person (rate would apply to actual number of players); any increase in the cost of a basic lunch box would be approved by the Golf Advisory Committee.

Ms. Woods indicated that other proposed changes to the policy are for updating purposes only, as they reflect current practice, or were approved during previous fiscal years:

1. Weekend is defined as Friday, Saturday and Sunday for public tournaments.
2. Double shotgun tournaments, held in September through May, are generally scheduled for a 7:30 am and 1:00
- 3, Golf carts are mandatory for weekend public tournaments (this assists with the speed of play). (Note: golf carts are already required for shotgun tournaments in the policy.)

Ms. Woods advised that at their regularly scheduled meeting of November 7, 2007, the Golf Advisory Committee unanimously recommended that the Park and Recreation Commission approve the proposed changes to the Shotgun Tournament Policy.

Mr. Chavez, Director of Golf, briefed that, in the game of golf, there has been a decline in the amount of players. He said that there are three new golf courses in the area that have definitely affected play at the Santa Barbara Golf Club. Mr. Chavez said that when he first started back in 1981, there were almost 100,000 rounds per year. He said now, they are at approximately 75,000 to 76,000 per year. Mr. Chavez said that typically they did not allow shotgun tournaments so that people who came out to the golf course could get on the golf course in a reasonable amount of time. He said that when you have a shotgun tournament, you eliminate play for 4.5 to 5 hours sometimes. Mr. Chavez said that with the decline in play, the golf course and staff feel it would be beneficial to take advantage of the tournaments that do want shotguns, and there are quite a few of them (15 - 20 every summer) that play elsewhere, that would love to play at Santa Barbara Golf Club if they had the opportunity.

Commissioner Longstreet asked whether many of the tournaments are fundraisers for non-profits.

Mr. Chavez said that probably 60 percent of the tournament are fundraisers for some entity.

Commissioner Forsell commented that this has been thoroughly discussed at the Advisory Committee for several years, and he thinks a good plan has been developed. He said he supports the changes.

Chair Conner asked if we ever did back to back shotgun tournaments.

Mr. Chavez responded saying that when you have a shotgun tournament the golf course has to be emptied, so whenever you do have one there will typically have a shotgun for the tournament in the morning or the afternoon, but mostly in the

afternoon, and then you would have another one in the morning for the public, so the public would not be left out.

**Commissioner Steve Forsell moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 5/0 that approve the recommended changes to the Shotgun Tournament policy at the Santa Barbara Golf Club.**

**9. Establishing Permanent Youth Only Hours at Skater's Point**

Recommendation: That the Commission:

- A. Hear a report from staff evaluating the implementation of a pilot program that designated two hours on Saturdays for youth, 12 years of age and under; and
- B. Provide direction to staff regarding the future of this program.

Ms. Cook provided this report. She highlighted the background regarding the implementation of the pilot program and discussed the challenges.

Ms. Cook said that the Skater's Point Advisory Committee and staff recommend that the current program of designating Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for youth under 12 years of age be continued on a permanent basis. She said that if approved, staff will install a permanent sign at Skater's Point designating these youth only hours, expressing that would aide with enforcement.

Commissioner Forsell commented that these special hours were precipitated by the injury to the Montesano's son. He asked whether staff has heard back from the Montesanos as to how they like the program since it has been initiated.

Ms. Cook said that we have not heard from them recently, but they did express their appreciation to staff during the first few months of the program. Ms. Cook said that staff also heard from other families as well.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall said he is aware that there has been some problems with continuity of meetings of the Advisory Committee. He asked if the Advisory Committee is in favor of the policy.

Ms. Cook said yes, the Advisory Committee voted unanimously in favor of the policy at their September 2007 meeting.

**Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Beebe Longstreet, and passed 5/0 that designate the hours of Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., for youth under 12 years of age only and make it a permanent policy for Skaters Point.**

Commissioner Longstreet commented that she is aware that the skateboard park monitors have to deal with bullies and suggested the use of digital cameras to identify these individuals. She said the monitors are very vulnerable, and most times it is not appropriate for them to confront those belligerent individuals. Commissioner Longstreet said her main concern is the safety of the monitors.

Ms. Rapp said that staff are discussing the use of video cameras in different locations, since there have been requests from the community in some of the neighborhoods where there have been problems other than skateboarding. She said the City is discussing the possibility of using video cameras more, but it needs to be done the right way.

Chair Conner said the older skaters were happy with the extra hour as well.

Commissioner Larimore-Hall commented that one of the oldest skateboard parks is in the City of Benecia. He said that they are receiving allot of calls from their citizens because of the supposed disrepair it is in. Mr. Larimore-Hall suggested staff contact their staff about it. He said that our city is a success story, and that can be shared with allot of other communities that are dealing with this issue.

Ms. Rapp said that staff had recently been having discussions with Risk Management and the City Attorney's Office talking about the challenges we have shared with the Commission about operating the skateboard park and exactly what the City is required to do and not required to do. Ms. Rapp said that the City is not required to supervise the skateboard park. She said that staff will be coming to the Commission on how the Department will be managing the skateboard park, but staff will be shifting the efforts of monitoring to the programming hours, like the youth hours, where we are supervising it, not monitoring it.

**10. Commission Liaison Appointment to the Youth Intern Appointment Policies and Procedures Subcommittee**

Recommendation: That the Park and Recreation Commission appoint a liaison to serve on the Youth Intern Appointment Policies and Procedures Subcommittee to review and develop recommendations to enhance program participation by youth on City boards and commissions.

Ms. Hanna provided this report.

Ms. Hanna asked the Commission to appoint a liaison to serve on Youth Intern Appointment Policies and Procedures Subcommittee to review and develop recommendations to enhance program participation by youth on City boards and commissions. Ms. Hanna said that the subcommittee will likely meet only two to three times.

Ms. Rapp interjected that there is a hesitancy of other Boards and Commissions to fully adopt this concept and she thinks it is important for the Park and Recreation

Commission to look at the benefits and verbalize those benefits. She further said it would be important for the Commission to talk about the role the intern has played for the Park and Recreation Commission and to really represent that Commissioner voice for that process. Ms. Rapp said there are two challenges. The first is drawing the youth in, and the second is having the boards and commissions understand and support the youth voice on their board and commission.

Intern Gonzalez said the process can be daunting, but a big challenge is getting the word out to the youth that the positions are available and generating enthusiasm for the internships.

Commissioner Longstreet said there was success when the community center advisory committee application process was streamlined. She suggested that there should be a recommendation from the school, but it could come from a teacher or a counselor, rather than a principal. Commissioner Longstreet said this is a great opportunity for youth and she is pleased this process is being implemented.

Commissioner Gonzalez suggested that the youth interns get community service hours for their service.

Ms. Hanna said that youth interns do get community service hours for their service on the committees.

Commissioner Larimore Hall and Commissioner Longstreet said they would be willing to participate no the subcommittee.

Commissioner Longstreet suggested that the Youth Intern topic be placed on the next Board and Commission luncheon agenda.

**Commissioner Steve Forsell moved, seconded by Commissioner Arnoldo Gonzalez, and passed 5/0 that appoint Commissioner Larimore-Hall (Primary) and Commissioner Longstreet (Alternate) to serve on the Youth Intern Appointment Policies and Procedures Subcommittee to review and develop recommendations to enhance program participation by youth on City boards and commissions.**

#### **11. Advisory Committee Interviews and Appointments**

Recommendation: That the Commission:

- A. Consider two applicants and make two reappointments to the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Advisory Committee;

Commissioner Forsell expressed concern about appointing representatives to the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Advisory Committee when the recruitment

period when the recruitment period does not close until January 10, 2009. Commissioner Larimore-Hall concurred.

The Commission agreed to wait to appoint members to the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Advisory Committee until the January 2008 Commission meeting.

- B. Consider two applicants and make two reappointments to the Skaters Point Advisory Committee;
- C. Consider three applicants and make three reappointments to the Tennis Advisory Committee; and

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 5/0 that appoint Mike Glick, Parent of a Skater, and Sasha Paskal, Youth Skater, to the Skaters Point Advisory Committee; and Jack Sanford and Cam Parsens, representing the Community at Large, and CathyAnn Simon, representing the Tennis Patrons, to the Tennis Advisory Committee, each for terms ending December 31, 2009.**

- D. Interview one applicant and consider appointing that applicant to the Tennis Advisory Committee.

Mr. Gerngross was not present to be interviewed. This item will be deferred to a later agenda.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner Ada Conner moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 5/0 that adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Rapp  
Parks and Recreation Director