



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS  
City Hall Room 280 - A  
455 North Rexford Dr.  
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

**MINUTES**

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, January 27, 2015  
2:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Gersh, Anderson, Friedman, Rosoff  
Commissioners Absent: Bilak  
Staff Present: Zoet, Hunt-Coffey, Meyerowitz, Angel, Pfalzgraf, Knebel

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

**Tab 1. Special Meeting of December 16, 2014**

MOVED by Anderson, SECONDED by Gersh, to approve as presented. (4/0)

AYES: Anderson Gersh, Friedman, Rosoff  
NOES: NONE  
ABSENT: Bilak  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
CARRIED

Commissioner Bilak arrived at 2:08 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS/STAFF REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**Tab 2. Rotation of Commission Chair**

Commissioners and Staff made congratulatory comments about Chair Rosoff's past year. He was presented with a ceremonial gavel.

MOVED by Rosoff, SECONDED by Bilak, to nominate Simone Friedman as the new Chair of the Recreation and Parks Commission. (5/0)

AYES: Bilak, Anderson, Gersh, Friedman, Rosoff  
NOES: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
CARRIED

MOVED by Gersh, SECONDED by Rosoff, to nominate Frances Bilak for Vice Chair of the Recreation and Parks Commission. (5/0)

AYES: Bilak, Anderson, Gersh, Friedman, Rosoff  
NOES: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
CARRIED

The Recreation and Parks Commission takes a short recess.

The meeting resumes with Commissioners in their new seats.

**Tab 3. 2015 Ad Hoc Committee Assignments**

Chair Friedman notes that Commissioners should submit to her for consideration any changes for the Ad Hoc Assignments.

**Tab 4. Review of Brown Act and Commission Structure**

City Attorney Lolly Enriquez gave two presentations. One was in regard to the recent Commission restructuring, the second on the Brown Act. Commissioners requested clarification of legislative issues as they relate to the Brown Act.

**Tab 5. Update Regarding Planned Santa Monica Boulevard Improvements**

Deputy Director of Transportation Aaron Kunz updated the Commission on the status of the project and future timelines.

**Tab 6. Proposed Woods Davy Fine Art Donation (Taken out of order)**

Fine Art Commission Chair Pressman and Vice Chair Potter were present for the discussion regarding the sculpture donation from the estate of Carol Wiseman to be placed at the Coldwater Canyon Reservoir Park.

MOVED by Rosoff, SECONDED by Gersh, to approve acceptance of the Woods Davy sculpture and the location proposed by the Fine Art Commission. (5/0)

AYES: Rosoff, Anderson, Gersh, Bilak, Friedman  
NOES: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
CARRIED

**Tab 7. Fiscal Year 2015/16 City Council Priorities**

Community Services Director Steve Zoet reviewed the City Council priorities adopted in January 2015.

**Tab 8. Information Regarding January 15, 2015 Liaison Committee Meeting**

Community Services Director Steve Zoet provided an update from the January 15, 2015 Liaison Meeting.

**Tab 9. Capital Improvement Projects Update**

The following items were included in the report from Community Services Director Steve Zoet:

- The Gateway Signage Projects will be brought to City Council on February 3 for final approval.
- The playground renovation at Roxbury Park is on schedule and is intended to be completed in March. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be planned.
- Bids were received on January 22 for the Beverly Gardens Restoration. Award of contract is scheduled for the February 17 City Council Meeting. The Capital Assets Department will be managing the project. Donations are still being received for the Electric Fountain Restoration.
- The Roxbury Park Tennis Court Resurfacing Project is completed. The windscreens have also been replaced and the courts will be reopened for use.
- A presentation is scheduled for the February 17 City Council Meeting about the La Cienega Park and Community Center Public Assessment.

**Tab 10. Director's Report**

Community Services Staff updated the Commission on the following items:

- The City Manager, Jeff Kolin, will retire as of February 1, 2015 after 5 years of service to the City of Beverly Hills.
- A brief discussion took place about the proposed Kusama Fencing. Due to this not being a protective fencing, there is no minimum spacing width required between the cables surrounding the sculpture. The designer will be providing additional renderings. City Council will be updated in February prior to the project being sent out for bids.
- The residents on the street behind Beverly Gardens Park would like to present a petition at the March Commission Meeting regarding the Parkway Ficus Trees.

- The Peck Drive Street Tree Master Plan will be agendaized for the February Commission Meeting. The residents would like to present their petition to the Commission.
- A report will be provided after the community meeting to keep the Commission apprised of developments with regards to the Robertson Street Tree Master Plan Public Meeting.
- The Event Calendar and Meeting Dates were reviewed. The meeting dates for the March, May, June, July, September and December were discussed and options presented. Staff will poll Commissioners and come to a consensus of the alternate dates for the meetings.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS/COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS INCLUDING TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

*February Meeting*

- Rose Committee recognition
- JPA Updates on the City Web-Site
- Clarification of legislative issues as it relates to the Brown Act (City Attorney Lolly Enriquez)
- Peck Drive Street Tree replacement presentation
- Request for Beverly Gardens Park bench signage exemption
- Robertson Blvd. Street Tree meeting update

*March Meeting*

- Parkway Ficus Trees

**Tab 11. Ad Hoc Chairperson Reports**

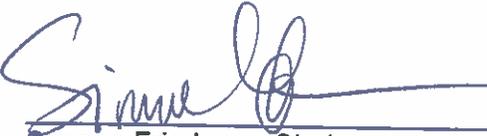
- a. City Council Liaison/Mayor's Cabinet (Rosoff/Friedman) – No discussion.
- b. Beverly Canon Gardens (Friedman/Gersh) – No discussion.
- c. Farmers' Market (Anderson/Bilak) – No discussion.
- d. Fine Arts (Rosoff/Gersh) – No discussion.
- e. Gateway Signage Project (Rosoff/Anderson) – No discussion.
- f. Community Charitable Foundation (Anderson/Bilak) – No discussion.
- g. Greystone Park (Anderson/Gersh) – No discussion.
- h. Master Plan for La Cienega and Roxbury Parks (Rosoff/Friedman) – No discussion.
- i. Seniors/Volunteers (Friedman/Gersh) – No discussion.
- j. Special Events/Concert Series (Rosoff/Gersh) – No discussion.

- k. Sports (Friedman/Bilak) – No discussion.
- l. Street Tree Master Plan (Rosoff/Friedman) – No discussion.
- m. Teens (Gersh/Bilak) – The Teen Advisory Committee gave input on La Cienega Park Improvements. They are planning a basketball tournament, teen leadership day and teen night out.
- n. Beverly Gardens Restoration (Rosoff/Anderson) – No discussion.
- o. Off-Leash Dog Area (Friedman/Bilak) – No discussion.
- p. Joint Powers Agreement (Rosoff/Bilak) – No discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015.

  
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Simone Friedman, Chairperson