



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

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
November 24, 2015  
2:00 p.m.**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date/Time: November 24, 2015 / 2:03 pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Rosoff, Anderson, Gersh, Vice Chair Bilak,  
Chair Friedman  
Commissioners Absent: None  
Staff Present: Steven Zoet, Nancy Hunt-Coffey, James Latta, Brad  
Meyerowitz, Teri Angel, Linda Kyriazi

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

Speakers: Hilary Kraft

**Tab 1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of October 27, 2015**

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

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

**NEW BUSINESS/STAFF REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**Tab 2. Personal Trainers in City Parks**

Recreation Services Manager Teri Angel presented a Powerpoint on the topic. Possible permit guidelines were reviewed. Representatives for the City of Santa Monica described their current program.

MOVED by Friedman, SECONDED by Gersh, that the Commission recommends allowing personal trainers to conduct business in select City parks pending the submission and approval of all required materials. (5/0)

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

The Commission unanimously agreed that an application would need to be completed and an annual and/or quarterly fee be paid. Recommended costs to be determined. In addition a business license and proof of insurance would be required. Fitness certifications are vetted by the insurance companies before issuance. Fingerprinting regulations will be decided at a later date. Permit would need to be worn or in view and they recommend changing the current municipal code to allow a citation with fee to be issued to any trainer(s) without a proper permit. Multiple violations would make them ineligible to apply for permit for next year.

If a Private Trainer Permit is issued, the Commission agrees to limit the number of personal trainer permits issued, Roxbury, La Cienega and Coldwater Canyon Parks would be the only designated parks for personal training and specific areas will be designated at the aforementioned parks. Mini parks and Beverly Gardens Park will be excluded from personal training. Staff will follow up with specific locations. The training should be limited to one-on-one or one-on-two. Other sized groups can be discussed at a later date. Staff will present a list of permissible equipment as well as specific sports allowed. Staff will return to the Commission at a later date with a draft private trainer application, rules, and permit process which addresses all items of discussion.

**Tab 3.** Proposed Ordinance of the City of Beverly Hills Municipal Code to prohibit adults in playgrounds unless accompanied by children

Human Services Administrator James Latta presented additional/follow up information from his report at the October Commission Meeting.

Beverly Hills Police Sergeant Todd Withers discussed other concerns of the Commission with regard to violations of the proposed ordinance.

Santa Monica representatives gave feedback on their ordinance about prohibiting adults in their City's playgrounds.

MOVED by Friedman, SECONDED by Gersh that the Commission accepts Ordinance 15-0 as it is written relative to the content of all language and all sections contained within. (4/1)

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

Commissioner Rosoff comment - \*The definition of "playground" should be redefined to include only the poured in place and/or painted play areas or other means that better defines the play area.

#### **Tab 4. Capital Improvement Projects Update**

The following items were included in the report from Community Services Director Steve Zoet: Gateway Signage Projects, Greystone Theater Restoration, Coldwater Park Playground Restoration and Dog Park.

#### **Tab 5. Director's Report:**

Community Services Staff updated the Commission on the following items: Luxe Show House Report, City Council Priority Setting, La Cienega Park and Community Center Public Engagement, Rodeo Drive Landscaping and Holiday Décor, Senior Thanksgiving Lunch, Snack Bar Update, Event Calendar and Meeting Dates.

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

- Ambassador Program Update Requested
- Concern with Segway rental company near Beverly Gardens Park
- Costa Mesa Dog Park Article/Electronic Entry System

#### **Tab 6. Ad Hoc Chairperson Reports**

- a. City Council Liaison/Mayor's Cabinet (Friedman/Bilak)
- b. Fine Arts (Bilak/Gersh)
- c. Greystone Park (Gersh/Rosoff)
- d. Master Plan for La Cienega Park (Friedman/Bilak)
- e. Street Tree Master Plan/Maintenance (Gersh/Anderson)
- f. Beverly Gardens Restoration (Anderson/Rosoff)
- g. Off-Leash Dog Area (Friedman/Bilak)
- h. Joint Powers Agreement (Bilak/Rosoff)
- i. Public Works Services Liaison (Friedman/Anderson)

Two Ad Hoc Committees were added; Coldwater Canyon Park and Personal Training.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Friedman adjourned the meeting at 5:29 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted on this 14 day of December 2015.

  
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Simone Friedman, Chairperson