



MINUTES
February 3, 2025

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
311 Vernon Street
Roseville, CA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Borowiak called the February 3, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Alexander, Bailey, Blessinger, Borowaik, Hernandez, Pollack-Cushing, Soucek, and Short

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Pollack-Cushing led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1. Draft Meeting Minutes December Commission Meeting

Approve the draft meeting minutes of the December 2, 2024 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting.

Motion by Jeff Short, seconded by Nick Alexander, Approve the December 2, 2024 draft meeting minutes with a amendment to item 6.4 Park Name Recommendations to include "In memory of" to Rocky Rockholm Park. The Motion Passed.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Alexander, Bailey, Blessinger, Borowiak, Hernandez, Pollack-Cushing, Short, Soucek

6. REQUESTS/PRESENTATIONS

6.1. Appointment of 2025 Chair and Vice-Chair to the Parks & Recreation Commission

The Parks & Recreation Commission will take action to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for the Parks & Recreation Commission, to serve until December 31, 2025.

Ms. Geller explained the process for selection of new commission officers. In accordance with the Meeting Procedures noted in the Administrative Standards, the Commission requires the election of new officers annually. New officer assignments will be effective at the next meeting and to serve until December 31, 2025.

Chairman Borowiak solicited commissioner comments and then asked for nominations.

No public comment received.

Motion by Regina Soucek, seconded by Renee Borowiak, Approve to appoint Commissioner Alexander as 2025 Commission Chair. The Motion Passed.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bailey, Blessinger, Borowiak, Hernandez, Pollack-Cushing, Short, Soucek

Abstain: Alexander

Motion by Nick Alexander, seconded by Regina Soucek, Approve to appoint Commissioner Short as 2025 Commission Vice-Chair. The Motion Passed.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Alexander, Bailey, Blessinger, Borowiak, Hernandez, Pollack-Cushing, Short, Soucek

6.2. Pickleball Discussion

As requested during the public comment period at the December 2024 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting, this item is related to pickleball.

Tara Gee, Park Planning & Development Manager, presented to the Commission statistics and background related to both pickleball and tennis, as well as the Master Plan for Gibson Park. This topic was initially raised during the December 2, 2024, Commission meeting under public comment, where a request was made for further discussion on pickleball. As of now, it is unknown when the second phase of the Gibson Park Master Plan will take place due to funding not being available.

Public Comment:

Pickleball enthusiasts spoke about their desire to adjust the Gibson Park Master Plan to reduce the number of tennis courts and increase the number of pickleball courts in future phases. They noted that the Gibson Park pickleball courts have become increasingly popular over the past year since opening, with

players enjoying the convenience of pickup games due to the courts' consistent use. Pickleball, a sport for all ages, fosters community and encourages participation. More pickleball courts can be built compared to tennis courts due to their smaller size. Enthusiasts emphasized the need for additional pickleball courts at Gibson Park specifically, rather than adding them elsewhere in the city, as Gibson provides a reliable location where players can always find others ready to play. If courts were added at other locations, players would need to coordinate in advance to ensure opponents or partners would be available. Additionally, they expressed concerns about dual-use pickleball and tennis courts, stating that this arrangement does not work well in practice.

This item was for information only. No action was taken by the Commission.

6.3. Maidu Museum & Historic Site Overview

Overview of Maidu Museum & Historic Site's history & programming.

Alesha Martinez, Senior Museum Specialist shared with Commission the history of the Maidu Museum and Historical Site (MMHS). In the early 1970s, the City agreed to purchase the 30-acre site where the museum now sits, and it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places, protecting the site from development. Today the site includes a museum, an activity center, an outdoor trail and amphitheater. The MMHS offers an array of educational programming from tours for area schools, private tours or drop in family-friendly trail tours every Saturday at 10am which is complimentary with admission. Throughout the year MMHS hosts several special events including an annual Native plant sale, Native Craft Fair, and Yomen, an annual April event that celebrates the start of spring.

Public Comment: None.

6.4. CAPRA Accreditation

Overview of the CAPRA Accreditation process.

Jill Geller, Parks, Recreation & Libraries Director, informed the Commission about the CAPRA Accreditation process that PRL is actively pursuing. Out of more than 10,000 Parks and Recreation agencies nationwide, only 214 are accredited, with just five in California. Achieving accreditation would place Roseville among this elite group, showcasing the department's commitment to excellence and adherence to national standards. The accreditation process involves meeting 154 standards, 36 of which are fundamental, and submitting detailed narratives and over 800 pieces of evidence to demonstrate compliance. Jill explained that CAPRA Accreditation not only validates the use of best practices but also ensures continuous improvement of operations, increased efficiencies, and enhanced service delivery. As part of the process, a CAPRA review team will evaluate PRL's submissions, followed by an in-person site visit in April to assess compliance. This rigorous process highlights the collaborative effort across the department to meet these standards, with the goal of achieving

accreditation within the two-year timeline.

Public Comment: None

7. BOARD MEMBER / COMMISSIONER / STAFF REPORT

Jill Geller, Parks, Recreation & Libraries Director, provided a brief staff report to the Commission. Each Commissioner received a physical copy of the the Winter/Spring 2025 issue of the PRL Experience Magazine, which highlights the various offerings PRL has planned for the upcoming season. The magazine is published three times a year. Jill also mentioned that staff has been diligently working on the fiscal year 2026 budget while preparing for the busy Spring and Summer months, during which parks and programs will see increased activity.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nick Alexander, seconded by Regina Soucek, to adjourn the February 3, 2025 meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission. The Motion Passed.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Alexander, Bailey, Blessinger, Borowiak, Hernandez, Pollack-Cushing, Short, Soucek