



# County of Santa Cruz

## PARKS, OPEN SPACE & CULTURAL SERVICES

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## PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, January 12, 2009

Government Center, Board Chambers

7:15 p.m.

701 Ocean Street

Regular Meeting

Santa Cruz, CA 95060

### I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 p.m.

Members: Janet Doten, Dave Mercer, Katharine Minott, Michael Rosenberg  
and Francisco Serna

Present: Dave Mercer, Katharine Minott, Michael Rosenberg

Staff: Joe Schultz, Christine Bennett

### II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS OR APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as written (Minott/Mercer 3/0)

### III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of November 10, 2008 were approved as presented  
(Minott/Mercer 3/0)

B. Information and Reports (Accept and File)

- 1) Facilities Division – Status Report
- 2) Maintenance Division – Status Report
- 3) Planning Division – Status Report
- 4) Recreation & Cultural Services Division – Status Report
- 5) Arts Commission Agenda November 3, 2008

The Information and Reports were accepted and filed. (Minott/Mercer 3/0).

### IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Nita Hertel and Patricia Matachek spoke about concern for Freedom Lake. They would like the Commission to include the topic on the February agenda and discuss options, such as selling a portion of the land at Burt Scott Estate, to fund the hyacinth eradication because the grant funds were denied. Director Schultz reinforced that the grant writing contractor is still working on the project and hopes to find other grant opportunities to apply for.

## **V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Schultz stated that the renovation at Simpkins Swim Center is going well. There are RDA meetings coming up for projects such as Floral Park, The Farm, and Chanticleer. Commissioners requested to be notified of the RDA meetings so they can attend if desired.

## **VI. REGULAR AGENDA (DISCUSSION ITEMS)**

### **A. ACTION ITEMS**

None.

### **B. INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **1. Polo Grounds and Soquel Creek Water District**

Director Schultz stated that letters from the state were received to stop all work on any state funded projects, which includes Polo well project because Proposition 50 funds were involved. The CAO met with the Water District on December 15, 2008, and an update will be provided at the February commission meeting.

#### **2. McGregor Park and Soquel Creek Water District**

Director Schultz stated that the evaluation of installation of artificial turf in county parks, such as Anna Jean Cummings, to obtain water credits for McGregor project is ongoing. An update will be provided at February commission meeting.

#### **3. Budget Update**

Director Schultz stated that we are gearing up for cuts of approximately 20% for the 2009/2010 budget year.

#### **4. Moran Lake Project Update**

Director Schultz distributed a project summary sheet and stated that a community meeting will be held on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **VII. AGENDA/MEETING FOR: Parks Commission, February 9, 2009 at 7:15 p.m. at the Board Chambers, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (Government Center).**

### **A. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Public Comment on Freedom Lake

### **B. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Polo Grounds and Soquel Water District
2. McGregor Park and Soquel Water District
3. Budget Update
4. Parks Project Updates from Park Planners

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m. (Minott/Mercer 3/0)**