

YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of October 3, 2005
Community Meeting Chambers, Los Altos City Hall
One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Chair Bien, and Commissioners Beck, Colehower, DeMartini, Demmer, Johnson, Lew, Saliba, and Vaswani

Absent: Vice-Chair Angelo

Also Present: Staff Liaison Donna Legge, outgoing Teen Program Coordinator Molly James, incoming Teen Program Coordinator Chris Karney and incoming Youth Commissioner Charlie Sines. Council Candidate Randall Hull was present in the audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DEMMER MOVED that the meeting minutes of September 19 2005, be approved as presented. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY BIEN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

BUSINESS

Introductions

Staff introduced the new Teen Program Coordinator Chris Karney who will be starting officially on October 17. The current Teen Program Coordinator Molly James would work her last day on October 14. Charlie Sines was also introduced as the replacement for Youth Commissioner Craig Sterner. Council would consider the official appointment of Charlie at their regular meeting of October 11. The Recreation Department Director Dave Brees was introduced to the Youth Commission.

Teen Program Report

The Underground Teen Center is maintaining an attendance level of about 5 participants each day – two days a week. Staff announced that over 500 LAYC Dance memberships have sold. Egan and Blach schools called on Monday before the Egan ticket sales were to

go on sale requesting that the dance tickets not be sold on campus. Staff rearranged for the tickets to be sold at the community center. An update will be presented to the Youth Commission at their next regular meeting.

Skate Park Project Draft Presentation

In Commissioner Angelo's absence, commissioners Demmer and Bien presented the draft power point presentation to the Commission. It was recommended that a Skate Park Subcommittee be re-established to include Commissioners De Martini, Vaswani, Demmer, Bien and Angelo. It was agreed that the committee meet on Sunday, October 9 from 1 to no later than 3 p.m. at Commissioner Demmer's home. The committee was going to work further on the presentation to include the following:

- Pros and Cons of the different locations
- Pictures of the different site locations
- Correct Skate Park names and locations
- Definitions of elements and types of parks (above ground, temporary, etc.)
- Determine the ideal park size and example of construction and maintenance costs

It was the desire of the commission to be prepared for the next Park, Arts and Recreation Commission scheduled for October 26, 2005. The commission recommended that previous skate park supporters be invited to the meeting of October 17 to review the presentation and give input.

The Project Dance

The commission finalized the details for the project dance flyer. A sample will be ordered and presented to the commission upon receipt.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Staff announced volunteer opportunities to serve as a judge for the Annual Halloween Window Painting contest held in the downtown business district. Commissioners De Martini, Johnson, Saliba, Colehower, Beck and Demmer volunteered

The County of Santa Clara was looking for volunteers to serve as poll workers on the November 8th Election Day. No interest was shown at the time of the meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Teen Program Report
2. Skate Park Project Report
3. The Project Dance
4. Underground Teen Center/Garden House Meeting – Spring 2006

ADJOURNMENT

BIEN MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DE MARTINI AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Minutes prepared by
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