



CITY *of* CALABASAS

**MINUTES OF THE
PARKS, RECREATION & EDUCATION SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022, 5:30 P.M.**

OPENING MATTERS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLLCALL:

Commissioners Present: Chair Meyer
 Vice Chair Williams
 Commissioner Elginer
 Commissioner Ghaffari
 Commissioner Patton
 Commissioner Wiseman
 Student Member Kolanu

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Aimee Haber

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Wiseman moved, seconded by Vice Chair Williams, to approve the agenda. **Motion Carried 6/0.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Wiseman moved, seconded by Vice Chair Williams, to approve the minutes for the December 13, 2021 Commission meeting.
Motion Carried 6/0

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INTRODUCTIONS:

Commissioner Elginer reported that she and Mayor Maurer took part in the Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count and encouraged others to volunteer.

Commissioner Ghaffari expressed on behalf of the Commission their empathy for those in the community who have family in the Ukraine.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC COMMENT

Rosa Besser requested that the Commission continue their efforts to have a dog park at Wild Walnut Park. **Motion Carried 6/0.**

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. UPDATE ON FUTURE SPORT COURT USE (Aimee Haber)

Aimee Haber, Facility Supervisor, gave the report. Four community members spoke and each recommended that the primary sport for the De Anza Park sport court be used for pickle ball. After discussion by the Commissioners, Vice Chair Williams moved, seconded by Commissioner Wiseman, that the Commission bring forward to the City Council that the sport court at De Anza Park be used for both pickle ball and basketball.

Motion Carried 6/0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2. ARTS COUNCIL

Aimee Haber gave the report. She and Chair Ford are talking about some programming ideas to bring forward on behalf of the Arts Council.

3. COMMUNITY CENTER ALLIANCE/JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

Director Green reported that the City of Calabasas and the City of Agoura Hills have been meeting to finalize plans to reopen the Agoura Hills Calabasas's Community Center and they are looking at the possibility of opening in November. The City of Calabasas is taking the lead in fixing the roof. A grant request and a federal funding request have been submitted and if approved, the funds will be used for the Center's repair.

4. SENIOR CENTER

Chair Meyer presented a comprehensive report. The Senior Center is working to reinstate memberships. Carol Davis was recognized by the City Council as the Senior Center's Citizen of the Year. Ms. Davis spearheaded a new interest club, Caring Calabasas, that partners with local established nonprofits. The Committee for Community Outreach has been working with local community organizations.

5. STUDENT MEMBER

Student Member Kolanu, reported that the Mayor's Youth Council is working on new events to bring to the City.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Green will be working with an architect on the shade structure for the Senior Center. Plans are being revised for Wild Walnut Park to make add ADA accessibility. Should all of the Commissioners gather at one time for a park tour, it will be considered a formal meeting in adherence to the Brown Act.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

Commissioner Elginer requested the following:

- Explore the possibility for a permanent teen center. Has it ever been researched? What are the options/limitations?
- Consider a summer teen volunteer program similar to what Agoura offers. Identify what skills a teen wishes to develop and give them 10-15 hours to volunteer.
- Return to providing the Commissioners with the Significant Activities Report.
- Last summer, the Commission Programming Subcommittee met with Deputy Director Hall to discuss new programs to consider. Requested to continue the discussion with the Commission.

ADJOURN to Monday, April 11, 2022