

## MINUTES - DRAFT

### City of Orange

#### Park Planning and Community Events Commission

October 15, 2024

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The Parks Planning & Community Events Commission of the City of Orange, California convened on October 15, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, 300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, California.

#### 1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fields called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

##### 1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Chair Fields

##### 1.2 ROLL CALL

**Present** Freeman, Litwin, Perez, Ahlswede, de Vries, Kushon, and Fields

**Absent** None

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Speaker:

Xavier Viste expressed interest in an additional Community Garden in the neighborhood.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Kushon, seconded by Vice Chair Freeman, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Freeman, Litwin, de Vries, Kushon, and Fields

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** Perez, and Ahlswede

#### 4. COMMISSION BUSINESS

##### 4.1. Recommendations for photos to be used for a visual tribute at Antepasado Park.

Public Speakers:

Paul Guzman, President of the Orange Barrio Historical Society, requested that the Society be included in the photo approval process.

Douglas Westfall recommended a historical photo of the Barrio.

A motion was made by Chair Fields, seconded by Commissioner Perez, to recommend photo numbers 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, and 13 be submitted to the Society for their final recommendation on the seven photos to be used in a visual tribute. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Freeman, Litwin, Perez, Ahlswede, Kushon, and Fields

**Noes:** de Vries

**Absent:** None

**4.2. Input on a 2025 Sponsorship Program and selection of a Sponsorship subcommittee.**

Public Speaker:

Brandy Romero made recommendations regarding raising funds and cutting costs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Litwin, seconded by Commissioner Perez, to designate Chair Fields, Commissioner Ahlswede, and Commissioner Kushon to serve on a Sponsorship subcommittee. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Freeman, Litwin, Perez, Ahlswede, de Vries, Kushon, and Fields

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** None

**5. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Recreation Services Manager, Danielle Valadez provided an update on Special Events.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

The next Regular Park Planning & Community Events Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

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