

CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Manhattan Beach City Hall
1400 Highland Ave.
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
February 25, 2019
6:00 PM

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM.

B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Allard, Greenberg, Weiner, Nicholson and Apostol

Absent: None

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Allard moved to approve the January 28, 2019 minutes as written.

Commissioner Karger seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ayes: Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Allard, Weiner, Greenberg, Nicholson, and Apostol

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

E. CEREMONIAL

None

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (3-Minute Limit)

Commissioner Turkmany opened the floor to audience participation.

Seeing none, the floor was closed.

G. GENERAL BUSINESS

Discussion of Donation Policy – Commissioner Turkmany reported that the ad-hoc committee met and he presented the most recent version to the commission.

Commissioner Greenberg asked the difference between Tier 2 and Tier 3 donations besides the dollar limit threshold. Commissioner Karger replied that Tier 3 donations need to be approved by the City Council.

Commissioner Greenberg believes that the policy document should include very prescriptive language that would apply to any and all donations. He would like to see very specific policy guidance with respect to recognition language and what is and is not allowed.

Commissioner Karger commented that the language might depend on the type of donation. Language for banners may be different than for a plaque or certificate.

Commissioner Greenberg stated that there should be some general rules that apply to all

publicly displayed recognition. He is proposing that any commemorative language on any public recognition should exclude “In Memorial” language and dates.

Commissioner Turkmany added that the specifics for recognition will be listed on each specific program description.

Commissioner Karger would like to keep the requirements, donation type specific. She has approached the policy as an umbrella with the specifics appearing in the catalog.

Commissioner Turkmany agreed that the policy is a long-term document and the catalog is more fluid.

Commissioner Greenberg stated that he thinks it should be in the umbrella policy so that it is not an easy thing to change.

Commissioner Nicholson is not opposed to each program having its own rules.

There was a general agreement that dates on recognition are not desired.

Commissioner Greenberg added that the policy should specify that all program descriptions must contain specific guidelines for acceptable recognition and language.

Commissioner Weiner is not clear on why the language for recognition guidelines is different for the different tiers. Director Leyman clarified that Tier 2 recognition language should be approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission and Tier 3 recognition should be reviewed by the Commission and recommended to City Council for final approval. He added that the recognition language rules will be clearly stated for each donation program.

Commissioner Weiner recommended other minor edits for continuity and clarity. He reiterated that the Liability language needs to be reviewed.

H. COMMISSION ITEMS

Salute to the Troops – Commissioner Karger reached out to Symbol Arts to start the process of ordering challenge coins. She reported that Councilmember Hersman will be the emcee.

An application to secure the Coast Guard Honor Guard has been submitted and she has reached out to a local Girl Scout troop to accompany the color guard.

Commissioner Karger reported that the Coast Guard has one band located on the East Coast and is not available for the June 30 date. The commission decided to pursue the Satin Dollz to perform. Commissioner Weiner recommended Retro Swing and Patriotic Band Ensemble as back up options if the Satin Dollz do not work out.

Commissioner Karger asked if the pop up tents with the various organizations are effective and necessary. The commission agreed that one tent for challenge coins is necessary but the rest are not.

A brief discussion followed regarding the challenge coin design. The design chosen shows three saluting figures with a female service member front and center, a flag in the background and a blue ring around the edge of the coin.

Commissioner Greenberg mentioned that he had seen a blue tarp on the roof of Marine Avenue Hall and asked if the leak is affecting programming. Director Leyman replied that it has not affected programming and there is an RFP out to repair that roof as well as the roof at Live Oak Hall.

Commissioner Greenberg also asked about the purpose of the dumpster that has been parked on the south basketball court at Live Oak for the past two months. Director Leyman stated that it was there as part of a returfing project but may have served a dual purpose during the renovation of the storage area above the snack stand. He added that the rain has caused many delays in the returfing project.

I. STAFF ITEMS –

Director Leyman summarized recent City Council actions and gave the following updates.

The Manhattan Beach Open (MBO) will be going to City Council soon. It is the 3rd year of a three year contract with AVP. The MBO will be held August 16-18th, 2019.

Library Surplus recommendations from the Library Commission will be presented to the City Council on March 6th.

The Joint City Council/Commission meeting will be held on June 3, 2019.

The Manhattan Beach Art Center had an exhibition opening that involved a tea tasting/education event.

The Little League Parade and Summer Camp Expo will be held on March 2nd, unless it rains.

Fitness Court – Design services are still out for RFP. The hardware is due to deliver on March 5th. 80-90% of feedback from the text survey is positive.

Pickleball – 80% of feedback from the text survey is positive. 20% of the feedback is critical. Generally it is tennis vs. pickleball and most of the questions he has received are about clarification.

Polliwog Park Play Equipment – There will be a public input meeting with vendors making presentations. Based on the feedback received, the vendors will further develop their plans and present to the Parks and Recreation Commission. The Commission will make a recommendation of one of the vendors and RFP will be released based on the specs of the desired design.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Turkmany moved to adjourn. Commissioner Weiner seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Ayes:	Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Allard, Weiner, Greenberg, Nicholson and Apostol
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None