

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING
PARKS, RECREATION & SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRSCAC)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2021 at 4:00 PM

ONLINE ZOOM MEETING ONLY: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86415578137>

Open to the Public

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call and/or Introductions
Board: Yvonne Cordoba, Joseph Crawford, Nora McMains, Florfina Arce, Ignacio Navarro Jr., Liliana Armenta, and Mike Richards

City Staff and Guests: Audrey Denham, Maria Wright, and Victor Uribe
- IV. Non-Agenda Public Comment: The PRSCAC meeting will occur only online to ensure the safety of City residents, employees and the communities we serve. See "PUBLIC COMMENTS" section below on how to submit public comments.
- V. Approval of Minutes: June 17, 2021
- VI. Presentations
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- VII. Action Items
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- VIII. Non-Action Items
 - Introduction of Library & Community Services Director, Joyce Ryan
 - Paradise Creek Park Grand Opening, September 17 – Audrey Denham
 - Upcoming presentations – Audrey Denham
 - In person meetings – Audrey Denham
- IX. Staff Reports and Comments
- X. Board Member Comments
- XI. Adjournment to meeting of: September 16, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The Parks, Recreation & Senior Citizens Advisory Committee (PRSCAC) will receive public comments via e-mail at mwright@nationalcityca.gov regarding any matters within the jurisdiction of PRSCAC. Written comments or testimony from the public (limited to three minutes) must be submitted via e-mail by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the PRSCAC Meeting. All comments received from the public will be made a part of the record of the meeting.

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Unapproved Minutes
Parks, Recreation, and Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Regular Meeting Held on June 17, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Senior Citizens Advisory Committee was called to order by Recreation Superintendent, Audrey Denham at 4:05pm, via Zoom.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Joseph Crawford, Mike Richards, Ignacio Navarro Jr. and Florfina Arce
Members Absent: Nora McMains, Lilia Armenta and Yvonne Cordoba
Staff Present: Audrey Denham, Maria Wright, Luz Molina-Lopez (City Clerk)
Guests Present: Lisa Huff and Maxine Ward

Non-Agenda Public Comments:

- None

Approval of Minutes: March 18, 2021 meeting minutes approved unanimously by a motion from Joseph Crawford and seconded by Mike Richard.

Presentations:

- Lisa Huff and Maxine Ward shared the new Senior Center Design with the Committee.

Action Items:

- None

Non-actions Items:

- Audrey Denham shared that Library Services and Community Services would be merging into one department to help create efficiencies and synergies.
- Audrey Denham provided a schedule of upcoming presentations:
 - July – National City Police Department
 - August – Community Services events and programs
 - September – Library Services events and programs
 - TBD – Nutrition Center and Las Palmas Pool

Staff Reports and City Staff Comments:

- Maria Wright, Juanita Castaneda, Elyana Delgado, and Victor Uribe submitted reports for May 2021.
- Audrey Denham also provided an update on the Movies in the Park event and the upcoming Little Patriots Day Camp.

Board Member Comments:

- Florfina Arce asked about the status on community gardens and staff will come back with a presentation on Paradise Creek Community Garden.
- Joseph Crawford expressed concern over senior wellness and requested the Committee to help support a program that provides ice cream to seniors.

Adjournment of meeting: Motion by Florfina Arce to adjourn meeting until July 15, 2021, and seconded by Ignacio Navarro at 4:43pm.

CANCELLATION NOTICE

CITY OF NATIONAL CITY
PARKS, RECREATION, & SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING

REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2021 – 4:00 P.M. – ZOOM MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the meeting of the Parks, Recreation, & Senior Citizen Advisory Committee of the City of National City was cancelled due to a lack of quorum.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks, Recreation, & Senior Citizen Advisory Committee is Thursday, August 19, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, 2nd Floor, located in City Hall at 1243 National City Boulevard, National City, California.

Maria Elena Wright

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Recreation Center Supervisor

National City, State of California, County of San Diego

I, Maria Elena Wright, of the Community Services Department of the City of National City, hereby declare under perjury that I posted this item on the Bulletin Board in front of City Hall, and the City website on Thursday, July 15, 2021.

Staff Reports for July 2021

Kimball Senior Center

- Kimball Senior Center remains closed.
- The County of San Diego continues using the senior center as a Covid-19 testing site.
- The Feeling Fit senior exercise class attendance for July was 125 with 65 seniors coming to class on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Camacho Center

- Camacho Center remains closed.

El Toyon

- El Toyon Recreation Center is now hosting Ballet Folklorico for the Summer Season. This season will end August 15, and there are 51 participants registered.

Kimball Park

- CSD hosted 3 summer programs at Kimball Park for ages 6-15 years old. A total of 27 participants met twice a week for 13 weeks. Thanks to the support of the National City Police and Fire Foundation we were able to purchase more equipment, which helped staff promote healthier life styles and encourage participants to be more active and engaged by trying a variety of sports and activities during the summer.

Special Events

- CSD hosted the second “National City Movie Nights” at Kimball Park on Friday, July 23 with over 100 attendees enjoying the movie, Raya and the Last Dragon.

Manuel Portillo Casa de Salud Youth Center

- Casa de Salud’s free emergency lunches came to an end on July 23 because local schools are returning to in person learning and youth will have access to lunches at school. Our partnership continues with Feeding San Diego and we hope to continue to provide snacks and supper to the youth that attend the afterschool program at Casa de Salud.
- On July 23 we partnered with the National City Police Department and 16 of our youth went to the San Diego Zoo Safari Park. The School Resource Officers were able to spend some quality time with the youth while they toured the park. This was also the last day of our special summer hours.
- On July 26 our program hours went back to afterschool hours which are 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm Monday through Friday.

Las Palmas Pool

- Las Palmas Pool made use of the short summer as best as we could! For the first time since July 2020 we were able to offer all programming such as recreational swim, lap swim, group exercise, and swim lessons all month.
- We continued to host our long term rental groups, Deep End Fitness, and Southern Water Polo who hosted a water polo tournament for kids 16 and under.

Nutrition Center- July 2021

- Congregate Dine In Meals: 870

- Congregate To Go Meals: 2,678
- July Home Delivered Meals: 1,761

Public Works

- Work completed in June 2021: weeds sprayed at parks, ballfield maintenance, irrigation repair; weed abatement at Paradise Educational Park, regular mowing and maintenance and prepared Kimball Park for special events.
- Three hundred seventy two trees trimmed, twelve trees removed and ten trees were stumped.

Kimball Senior Center

- Kimball Senior Center remains closed.
- The County of San Diego continues using the senior center as a Covid-19 testing site.
- The Feeling Fit senior exercise class that was hosted at the senior center prior to the pandemic closure, resumed in person classes on June 22nd. Attendance for June was 13 seniors.

Camacho Center

- Camacho Center remains closed.

El Toyon

- El Toyon Recreation Center is now hosting Ballet Folklorico - Summer Season. This season will end August 15 with a total of 51 participants registered.

Kimball Park

- CSD is still hosting 3 new summer programs at Kimball Park. Participants are still enjoying playing in the park with our rec staff. This program ends July 29th.
Sunny Smiles at Kimball - Ages: 6 – 8 years old, has 11 participants registered.
Summer Times with City Staff – Ages 9 – 12 years old, has 9 participants registered.
New Beginnings Summer 2021 – Ages 13 –15 years old, has 7 participants registered.

Special Events

- CSD hosted the first “National City Movie Nights” at Kimball Park on June 18th all attendees enjoyed The Avengers: Endgame. Unfortunately, this was a low attended event.
- CSD hosted a half day camp for residents ages 6 to 12 years old on Saturday July 3rd 9:30am to 1:30pm. This was a great opportunity for parents to plan a picnic day at Kimball Park, while CSD provided the good old fashioned games and food for all registered participants. We had a total of 60 participants registered and 43 attended the camp.

Manuel Portillo Casa de Salud Youth Center

- Casa de Salud continues to partner with Feeding San Diego to provide free emergency lunches. We are currently distributing 160 free meals Monday-Friday for youth 18 and younger. Meals include a hot lunch item, milk, fruit, vegetables and a breakfast item for the next morning.
- Casa de Salud is running a free day camp for members of the youth center who are National City residents. The day camp is no longer limited to 12 youth. The youth are currently on Summer Break at school so we adjusted our hours from 3pm-7pm to 9am-2pm while continuing to take the youth on walking field trips to Kimball Park on Tuesday's and Thursday's.
- The horizontal agility wall installed this month and the youth are really enjoying this new addition to the center.

Las Palmas Pool

- For the month of June we continued to offer swimming lessons, lap swim, and group exercise to the public. All of our offerings were at capacity for the month while we were still following covid regulations.
- We finished out the rental for the Sweetwater Union High School District mid-June.
- We also continued to host the rental groups Southern Water Polo (who have been renting pool space for a few years now), as well as Deep End Fitness/Underwater Torpedo league, who have been renting the pool now since December 2020.

Nutrition Center

- Congregate meals: 2493
- HDM: 1659

Public Works

- Work completed in June 2021: weeds sprayed at parks, ballfield maintenance, irrigation repairs and removal of homeless camps; weed abatement at Paradise Creek Park and Paradise Educational Park, regular mowing and maintenance and prepared Kimball Park for special events.
- Eighty-one trees trimmed, forty-three trees removed and eighteen trees were stumped.