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Parks and Recreation Commission

March 2, 2017  
Action Item III  
APPROVE

MINUTES  
ALHAMBRA PARKS AND RECREATION  
FEBRUARY 2, 2017

The Alhambra Parks and Recreation Commission met at 7:00 p.m. on February 2, 2017, at the Joslyn Adult Center 210 N. Chapel Avenue, Alhambra CA 91801  
Commission members present: Bodeman, Mumford, Norrington, Whelan  
Commission members absent: Barnett, Flowers, Martinez,  
Also attending: Deputy City Manager / Director of Community Services Martin Ray  
Deputy Director Julian Venegas  
Deputy Director Michael Macias

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Bodeman moved to approve the Minutes of the December 1, 2016 Adjourned Regular Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Norrington the motion carried by unanimous vote.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mr. Ray updated the Commission on the items listed in the report.

**MONTHLY STATUS REPORT**

Mr. Ray updated the Commission on the projects listed in the report.

Commissioner Bodeman mentioned that Alhambra Park playground has a jungle gym that has a broken part which park staff has caution taped. He observed children playing on the equipment and going through the taped area at the top of the steps.

Director Ray explained that the replacement part has been ordered and as soon as it arrives it will be installed. Staff caution taped the area but cannot stay in the playground all day to monitor it.

Commissioner Whelan asked what the timeline for the Story Park Pool demolition was.

Director Ray replied that the City had just received a \$100,000.00 donation for this project from the NAVIGAGE FOUNDATION and staff is reviewing design drafts. Once staff has the preliminary drafts, they will present them to the City Council for a design approval and go from there. Director Ray stated he hoped to start on this project in a couple of months.

Ms. Armendariz spoke in favor of the LED solar light which will be installed in the playground at Alhambra Park. She has long asked for additional lighting for the safety of the children who play there after dusk. She spoke of her concern that there are times where men hang out in the playground area without any children.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Armendariz expressed concern that there are adults who use the equipment in the tot lot playarea as part of their exercise routine. She did not feel that this equipment was meant to hold all that weight and asked how often park staff does inspections on the equipment.

Director Ray replied that park staff checks the playground on a daily basis looking for any hazards and said that the equipment is designed to hold more weight than a child's.

### **COMMISSION ORALS**

Commissioner Norrington wished everyone a happy new year.

Commissioner Whelan stated she was thrilled with the Story Park pool demolition and renovation of that area.

Commissioner Mumford commented it would be a great place for a chess table.

Director Ray mentioned that the City Council will appoint and reappoint commissioners at their second meeting in March.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Whelan moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Bodeman, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.