

**CITY OF RIALTO
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, February 3, 2025
IN PERSON SPECIAL MEETING
150 S. PALM AVE., RIALTO CA, 92376**

a. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:39 pm by _Chari Joe Britt_.

b. **ROLL CALL:**

ROLL CALL/COMMISSIONERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT TO DATE
Jose Aparicio	x		
Joe Britt	x		
James Maldonado		x	
Jan Morrison		x	
Scott Sparks	X		
Staff- Cynthia Alvarado- Director	X		
Staff- Ebony Perkins- Manager	X		
Staff- Art Cervantes- Manager	X		

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

c. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Commissioner Aparicio

d. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approve December 4, 2024, meeting minutes.

MOTION: Vice Chair Sparks **Seconded by:** Commissioner Aparicio

MOTION PASSES YES: 3 **NO:** 0 **ABSTAIN:** 0

Noting the absence of Commissioners Morrison and Maldonado

e. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

f. **STAFF UPDATES**

Director Alvarado gave updates on department programming:

- February Rentals: 2 Facility Rentals, 23 Park Shelters
- March Rentals: 1 Facility Rental, 4 Park Shelters
- Staff coordinated the Point In Time Count. PD led the day of. There were 38 registered volunteers. 24 showed up the day of.
- The new Progress Magazine is out along with calendar.
- Spring Eggstravangza flyer is out the event will be Saturday, April 19th 10am-2pm

- Rialto Volleyball Girls Team took the at Downey SCMAF Tournament.
- Contract Classes are going well Ballet Folklorico is back in action.
- Rec N' Roll will be at Andreson Park on Saturday, February 8th. Pawlentimes will also be on the same day at the same park. Programming is going well.
- Child Development classes are full and going well.
- Fitness & Aquatics Center is doing well. Rialto Sea Turtles won their swim meets. Staff held lifeguard recertification and recertified 18 guards (4 from Palm Springs)
- Senior Services are going well. New Years event went well and they are getting ready for their Valentines Day event.
- Notice of Funding for CDBG has been made public, city website, newspapers, organizations get emails.
- Parks Maintenance installed a curb on field 2 at Frisbie Park to address water flow on the field
- Water bottle filler has been installed at Bud Bender. There will be additional water fountains installed at Flores Park and Birdsall Park. All grant funded.
- Resident Complaint about no lights, no drinking fountain, no BBQ pits and unsafe conditions at Margaret Todd.
 - There are security lights at the park they all work. No BBQ pit because of programmed open space for the department. Drinking fountain by the outside basketball courts and inside the building space by the gym.

g. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

ITEM: 25-0082 Report on Department Project Updates

Building 400

- Anticipating project completion by end of February.

Building 500

- In design

Carl Johnson Center Floor Resurfacing & Interior Painting

- Bid advertisement anticipated this month

Birdsall Park Improvement Project

- Pre-construction meeting anticipated this month. Project completion date is 12 months.

Rialto City Park resurfacing

- Looking to receive surfacing colors this month

Fergusson Park Resurfacing

- Planning & Design

ITEM: 25-0080 Discussion item: Review and Discuss Rialto Creative Connection Art Policy Draft 1 Section 2 and provide feedback to staff.

No edits to section 2

ITEM: 25-0081 Presentation of the departments year in Review

ADMINISTRATION

- 729 Park Shelter

- 51 Gym Rentals
- 49 Rialto Community Center Rentals
- 32 Burials (47 plots sold)
- Department wide training 60 staff attended
- Omni Grant Award --Senior Transportation
- Gym Software Conversion Completed
- Mobile Health Truck
 - Mamogram
 - Dignity
- Shelter Court
- E-Bike stats
- Hosted Customer Service and Harassment training
- # of scholarships
- 400 wing construction started
- Hosted Point in Time Count (24 volunteers signed up)
- 70% of Park Shelter Deposits were returned
- Added Community Outreach Division
- Strong Parks & Rec month programming and Participation
- Tournament Placements 1st-4th

Special Events

- Held 41 SEPT Meetings
 - 30 were for City events
- Attended 20 Co-Sponsor City event meetings
- Hosted the Annual Halloween staff appreciation luncheon
- Approved 42 Special Event Applications
- Denied 10 applications
- Cancelled 22 applications
- Reviewed a total of 74 applications
- Processed 114 Information Vendors
- Processed 45 Merchandise Vendors
- Processed 131 Food Vendors
- Events Revenue \$45, 470
- Sponsorship from Sunrise valued at \$25,000
- Sold 5 Ads for Progress Magazine
- Produce 3 Progress Magazine issues

PARKS

- 6 park Clean-ups
- Earth Day
 - over 50 trees
- Concrete replacement @ Flores
- 32 Burials
- Fergusson Playground Resurfacing completed
- Cemetery GIS Project almost complete

- Rialto City Park Courts resurfacing project
- started
- over 4,500 work orders completed
- Bud Bender Refresher grant project completed
- Over 120 acres maintained
- Replaced playground equipment
- Sent 3 Staff to Maintenance
- Management School
- Sent 4 Staff to Ball Field Training
- with the Dodgers
- Birdsall Snack Bar Project was awarded
- Refilled wood chips at all parks
- Wood Chipper (Grant Funded)

Grace Vargas Senior Center

- 33,403 visits
- Served 14,599 lunches
- Feeding America served 2,142
- 19 Senior Dances/Socials/ Special Events
- 1475 attendees
- Over 21 structured programs offered
- 11 of New Programs
- 80 volunteers
- 3,061 hours
- Over \$5,301 in donations
- 20 Rentals
- Revenue \$61,245

Child Development- Tiny Tots

- 1,119 Visits
- 43 days of Summer Camp
- New Special Event Programs 1
- Lemonade Stand Project
- Fields Trips
- Special Event Days
- 16 Volunteers- over 500 hours

Summer Camp

- 2,072 Visits
- 172 days of classes
- New Special Event Programs 7
- Parents Night Out
- Grams for Grands
- Back 2 School Night
- Harvest Festival

- Halloween Bash
- Freindsgiving

Social Recreation Programs

Teen Center

- # Program days
- # of Visits
- # of New Programs
- # of Fields Trips

Volunteer Program Program

- # of Visits
- # of New Programs
- # of Fields Trips
- Rec N' Roll @ Parks
- # of Program days
- # of Visits
- # of New Programs
- Rec N' Roll @ Willow Village
- # of Program days
- # of Visits
- # of New Programs

Sports Contract Classes

- Youth Sports 58,574 visits
- 303 Volleyball games
- 376 Basketball games
- 192 little Tot Programs
- Sports Volunteer Hours 2,365
- Participated in Beaumont Tournament
- Participated in Basketball SCMAF Tournament
- Participated in Girls Volleyball SCMAF Tournament
- Contract Classes visits 6,719
- Over 508 class days offered (87 classes)
- Gym & Facility Rentals attendance 4,138

FITNESS & AQUATICS

- 25,603 Visits (8% increase)
- Revenues \$209,054 (2% increase Fitness Center)
- 776 Paid members (2.35% increase)
 - 300 New members
 - sold 970 passes (average 80 passes a month)
- 99 staff members and 101 family members
- Classes averaging 20 per class
- 580 kids learned how to swim (Revenue \$37,620)
- Certified
 - 2 new lifeguard certifications
 - 8 lifeguard recertification's

- 4 CPR recertification's
- 15 staff completed mandated reporting

h. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Aparicio: There is lots going on, is excited about 2025. Asked if the E Bike Library program was started? Are we looking at any new parks? Is the department still meeting with the leagues? Wants to be a part of Reading Across America without Tiny Tots. Will be getting the calendar of events to his work team so they can come out and volunteer at city events and National Night Out.

Vice Chair Sparks:

Great job. Good to see what's going on. Good to see sports programming coming back. Would like to see more Rialto resident pictures in the progress magazine.

Chair Britt: He is on the Chamber of Commerce Board, they will be doing a lot more in the community. Wants to put ads in the Progress Magazine. Would like information on the Cemetery GIS project and contact information. Can the commission get their fitness passes. We are pro kids and we want to get our tax payers what they deserve.

Commissioner _____:

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i. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to attend, _____ adjourned the meeting at _____ pm with the next regular meeting to be held at 6:30pm, on Tuesday, _April 9th_____, at the City Council Chambers located at 150 S. Palm Ave, Rialto, CA 92376

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Alvarado-Crawford, Director
Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services