

**AGENDA
CITY OF WATSONVILLE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING**



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*Araseli Campos, District 1
Paul De Worken, District 2
Fabian Leonor, District 3
Jennifer Schacher, District 4
VACANT, District 5
Noe Ibarra, District 6
Emiko Stewart, District 7*

**Location:
City Council Chambers
275 Main Street, Top Floor
Watsonville, CA 95076**

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Thursday, March 7, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Pages

1. ROLL CALL

Motion to excuse absent Parks & Recreation Commissioners (If any)

Pursuant to Charter Section 900, Paragraph 2.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

This time is set aside for members of the general public to address the Parks & Recreation Commission on any item not on the Agenda, which is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Parks & Recreation Commission. No action or discussion shall be taken on any item presented except that any Commissioner may respond to statements made or questions asked, or may ask questions for clarification. All matters of an administrative nature will be referred to staff. All matters relating to Parks & Recreation Commission will be noted in the minutes and may be scheduled for discussion at a future meeting or referred to staff for clarification and report. Any Commissioner may place matters brought up under Oral Communications on a future agenda. ALL SPEAKERS ARE ASKED TO ANNOUNCE THEIR NAME IN ORDER TO OBTAIN AN ACCURATE RECORD FOR THE MINUTES.

3.a ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

3.b ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND LIAISON REPORTS FROM THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

3.c DIRECTOR'S REPORT

4. CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC INPUT

All items appearing on the Consent Agenda are recommended actions which are considered to be routine and will be acted upon as one consensus motion. Any items removed will be considered immediately after the consensus motion. The Chair will allow public input prior to the approval of the Consent Agenda.

4.a MOTION APPROVING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 01, 2024

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5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, & APPEALS

a) Staff Report

b) Commission Questions & Input

c) Public Hearing

d) Appropriate Action

7. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

7.a REPORT ON 2023-2024 ELOP PROGRAMS

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Receive the report on 2023-2024 ELOP Programs

- a) Staff Report
- b) Commission Questions & Input
- c) Public Input

7.b RAMSAY PARK UPDATE/NATURE CENTER 95%

8. WORKPLAN PROGRESS REPORTS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. ADJOURNMENT

The next Commission meeting will be held on April 18, 2024 at 6 pm.

Pursuant to Section 54954.2(a)(1) of the Government Code of the State of California, this agenda was posted at least 72 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting at a public place freely accessible to the public 24 hours a day and on the City of Watsonville website at <https://www.cityofwatsonville.org/191/Parks-Recreation-Commission>

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MINUTES

CITY OF WATSONVILLE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Location: Council Chambers
250 Main Street
Watsonville, CA 95076
Thursday, February 01, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Fabian Leonor
Commissioner Noe Ibarra
Commissioner Emiko Stewart
Commissioner Jennifer Schacher
Commissioner Paul De Worken

Youth Representative: Gael Oscar Perez

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Araseli Campos

Staff Present: Nick Calubaquib, Director, Parks & Community Services
Robert Berry, Construction Manager Parks & Comm Svcs
Hilda Peralta, Project Manager, Parks & Comm Svcs
Jeremy Sanders, Asst Admin Analyst, Parks & Comm Svcs.

1. ROLL CALL

Motion to excuse absent Parks & Recreation Commissioners

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Noe Ibarra
Commissioner Fabian Leonor
Commissioner Emiko Stewart
Commissioner Jennifer Schacher
Commissioner Paul De Worken

Youth Representative: Gael Oscar Perez

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Araseli Campos

Pursuant to Charter Section 900, Paragraph 2.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

3.a. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

NONE.

3.b. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND LIAISON REPORTS FROM THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Leonor spoke on upgrades being made to the Watsonville Senior center and stated that the upgrades to the center are progressing nicely.

3.c. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Calubaquib provided an update to the Commission on department updates, to include updates on Ramsay Park construction with an expected start date in April. Calubaquib also provided an update on the Cal Trans Medium project is underway.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.a. MOTION APPROVING MINUTES OF January 18, 2024

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Leonor and seconded by Commissioner De Worken to approve the minutes of January 18, 2024.

AYES: Ibarra, Leonor, Stewart, De Worken, Schacher
NOES: None
ABSENT: Campos

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

NONE

6. WORKPLAN PROGRESS REPORTS

NONE

7. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

NONE

8. WORKPLAN PROGRESS REPORTS

NONE

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.a. CITY PLAZA REVITALIZATION PROJECT 60 DESIGN PLANS

None – Report only.

- a) Staff Report: Project Manager Robert Berry provided an update on the 60 percent plans for the City Plaza Revitalization project.
- b) Commission Questions & Input: Commissioners discussed the drawings. Commissioners collectively questioned if the Gazebo will be open to the public. Berry explained that the Gazebo will be used for special events, as

well as used for storage of equipment. Commissioner Leonor asked if the historical values would remain. Berry advised that the historical attributes of the Gazebo will remain.

- c) Public Input: None

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10.a. 2024 PRC WORKPLAN

That the Parks and Recreation Commission develop and adopt a Workplan for 2024.

- a) Commission Questions & Input: Commissioners discussed the Workplan and signed up for various areas within the Parks and Community Services Department.
- b) Public Input: None
- c) Appropriate Action: That the Parks and Recreation Commission develop and adopt a Workplan for 2024.

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Leonor and seconded by Commissioner Schacher to approve the PRC Workplan Report for 2024.

AYES: Ibarra, Leonor, Stewart, De Worken, Schacher
NOES: None
ABSENT: Campos

10.b. APPOINT PRC LIAISONS FOR 2024

That the Parks and Recreation Commission appoint Commissioners as Liaisons to specific service areas, as determined by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

- a) Commission Questions & Input: Commissioners discussed the Liaison Areas within the Parks Department and signed up to assist.
- b) Public Input: None
- c) Appropriate Action: That the Parks and Recreation Commission appoint Commissioners as Liaisons to specific service areas, as determined by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Schacher and seconded by Commissioner Leonor to approve the PRC Liaison Report for 2024.

AYES: Ibarra, Leonor, Stewart, De Worken, Schacher
NOES: None
ABSENT: Campos

- 11. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm
The next Commission meeting will be held on March 07, 2024 at 6:00pm.



Agenda Report

MEETING DATE: Thursday, March 7, 2024

TO: PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

FROM: NICK MEROLLA, RECREATION SUPERVISOR
DIEGO AGUILERA, RECREATION COORDINATOR
ISIAH CASTRO, RECREATION SPECIALIST

SUBJECT: REPORT ON 2023-2024 ELOP PROGRAMS

STATEMENT OF ISSUES:

Report on 2023-2024 ELOP Programs

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive the report on 2023-2024 ELOP Programs

DISCUSSION:

For the past two year, the Watsonville Parks and Community Services Department and Pajaro Valley Unified School District have partnered to provide Expanded Learning Opportunities Programs (ELOP) to Watsonville youth.

These programs include before school “Kinder Care” for TK Students at Starlight Elementary School, After School Enrichment at Ann Soldo, HA Hyde, MacQuiddy, Mintie White, and Watsonville Charter of the Arts elementary schools, and Camp WOW programming for all PVUSD youth grades TK-5th at our recreational sites. In addition to these programs, our two youth development sites, Environmental Science Workshop and the GHWR Youth Center, offer programming through ELOP.

Funding through the California Department of Education, secured by PVUSD, has allowed these programs to be accessible to participants at no cost. This funding not only allows our programs to reach more students, but also greatly impacts the quality of our programs. This summer we were able to provide swim lessons to all Camp WOW participants, ensuring each one of them felt more confident being in the water with the ability to swim to the edge of the pool. Because of this partnership and funding, participants were able to attend various field trips and explore life outside of Watsonville via charter buses. In previous years, our capacity for each trip was limited to the number of City vans available.

Below is statistical information of the impact each ELOP program has made since August 2023.

| | Kinder Care | After School Enrichment | Camp WOW Summer Programming | Camp WOW Saturday Programming |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Enrollment | 11 | 500+ | 498 | 130 |
| Educational Opportunities | 186 | 1,496 | 103 | 12 |
| Recreation Opportunities | 204 | 1,111 | 455 | 16 |
| Healthy Meals Provided | 826 | 27,466 | 3,676 | 390 |

STRATEGIC PLAN:

ELOP Programs support the following Council priority of:

- 05-Community Engagement & Well-Being - Participants in these programs have been given the opportunity to participate in an array of activities from learning to cook healthy meals and snacks, express their creativity through various educational activities and participate in a number of different physical activities that in the long run will help prevent and treat a number of health conditions while having fun.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditures for all ELOP Programs have been funded by PVUSD’s grant proceeds from the California Department of Education.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

None

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any):

None