



CITY OF BRAWLEY

May 21, 2019

The Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular session at 12:00 PM, Lions Center Small Meeting Room, 225 A Street, Brawley, California, the date, time and place duly established for the holding of said meeting.

Commission Garcia called meeting to order @ 12:07pm

PRESENT: Jauregui, Hamby, Benavides, Estrada, Miller
ABSENT: Garcia, Cornejo, Colace
STAFF: Perez, Self

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Miller, Estrada 5-3

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS There was none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for May 21, 2019 were **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Miller/Benavides 5-3

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

a. UPDATE ON URBAN FOREST GRANT:

Parks Coordinator Perez reported to the commission re: Trees planted at Parks, BUHS and BESD.

Soto Field:	24 trees
Jeff Thornton:	34 trees
Citrus View:	8 trees
Meserve Park:	32 trees
Pat Williams:	71 trees
Alyce Gereaux:	25 with some relocation done
Gonzales Park:	33 relocation and leveling to green area done as well
Beechey Field:	15 trees, 10 pending
Volunteer Park:	2 Sisso trees
Wiest Field:	8 trees
Cattle Call:	4 trees
Hinojosa Park:	36 pending
BUHS Warne Field:	8 trees
Barbara Worth:	8 trees
Oakley Elementary:	5 trees

An educational component is to be done and that will be tentatively October 26, 2019 at Hinojosa Park.

b. Gonzales Park fencing update:

Parks Coordinator Perez reported the demolition of the old fencing was done and they are cleaning up the concrete of the court. The Department purchased the materials from All Valley Fence & Supply and the labor will be from Garibaldo Fence.

c. Discussion of various cost recovery strategies for Parks & Rec. Programs & Leagues:

City Manager Moore presented to the Commission the City is looking into a cost recovery plan for the Recreation Department. At this point the City doesn't have a cost recovery plan but are looking into having a policy for cost recovery. With the City having a deficit it is now the time to proceed. Examples of programs fees were addressed. Adult Softball is a program that should be 100% cost recovery and at this point it isn't. The charge fee is \$375.00 but costs are well over \$500.00 per team. The Commissioners were asked what they felt regarding the issue and it was also reported that the Sunstrokers Team were charged \$500.00 for the use of the Pool during their summer season but it will be more next year. The Commissioners agreed with City Manager Moore that a policy should be put in place.

d. **Jeff Thornton:**

Interim Director Marjo Mello reported she hasn't been available and has not approached Council about the backstop at Jeff Thornton park. The Commissioners commented they would still like to see a backstop at the Park from January-June during the Little League season for safety reasons. Mello stated she would draft a letter and make a report to Council regarding the backstop placement.

5. COMMISSION REPORTS There was none.

6. ADJOURNMENT @ 1:45pm

Rachel Zepeda, Administrative Secretary