



CITY OF BRAWLEY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 19 , 2025

The Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular session at 12:00 p.m., Lions Center admin office located at 225 "A" St., Brawley, California, the date, time and place duly established for holding said meeting.

Meeting called to order @ 12:08 PM

Present: Joel Gonzalez Victor Estrada, Joseph Galvan, Jenny Benavides, Richard Rubio, Richard Diaz

Absent: Mike Dickerson, Raymond Gonzalez

Staff: Duarte, Hodgson, Tang, Smith,

City Manager: Rebecca Terrazas- Baxter

Assistant City Manager:

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted. m/s/c

Jenny Benavides/Victor Estrada / 3-0/ Absent RGonzalez, Dickerson

2. Public Appearance

3. Consent agenda m/s/c

Richard Rubio /Jenny Benavides/3-0/ J. Absent RGonzalez, Dickerson

4. New Business

Regular Business

A. Parks Update – Jesus update all mowers are running well and Parks department received the new mower as of last week. The new mower is a 9 blade extended mower. IID Glow Grant (lighting) is in progress as of yesterday the lights at Gonzalez basketball were being worked on. The lights are high efficiency LED lights. The areas being addressed in the Grant are Hinojosa basketball, Beechy perimeter, and Lion Center. IID Green Space grant is also underway at Latigo Ranch basin. Jesus did add we pulled from our general funds to cover the rest of the area in trees. Parks department also installed irrigation for all new trees here. Christmas décor is underway on main in preparation for holidays and Christmas Tree Lighting Event. If possible Parks and Recreation would like to focus on lighting more segments of main street every holiday season. Jesus gave an update on pooling area at Alyce Gereaux Park. He did mention the pump for the irrigation was not working properly due to a timing issue resulting in standing puddles in front of the bathrooms. Commissioner Rubio did ask about Weist field lighting and it was brought up by BUHS chair the lighting project was on hold pending Weist contract with City.

B. Recreation Update- Hodgson updated upcoming holiday event, the Christmas Tree Lighting on December 5th at 6pm at Kiosk on Main. At the end of basketball registration we ended with 297 kids registered and expect a few last minute signups. MLS Go soccer is prepping for a Winter Blast Tournament to be held here in the City and will host teams from all over.

C. City Update City Manager Rebecca updated BESD agreement to be a service provider for ELOP programs for 1 year. This will include after school programs for over 400 students. She also updated the City is recruiting for a Parks and Recreation manager until November 28th. Lion Center Pool mobilization



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demolition did begin today. Still on track to finish by Spring 2026. City Reorganaztion will be taking place December 3dat 6 PM.

- D. BUHS Update- Gonzalez updated the practice field by Lion Center is now 100& fenced. This will only serve as a parking lot for large games and will remain a practice field otherwise. He updated Thanksgiving break was coming up.

- E. BESD Update- Absent

- F. **Other Announcements**

Commander Tang updated 2 new job opportunities coming soon in regards to the 1 year service agreement with BESD. 1 full time Youth Program Coordinator and 2 part time assistants.

- 5. **Adjournment** @ 12:27 p.m. Jenny Benavides, Richard Rubio

Next scheduled meeting January 21st 2026 .