



**CITY OF FOLSOM  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
6:30 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
50 NATOMA STREET, FOLSOM, CALIFORNIA  
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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
2. **ROLL CALL:** Commission Members: Matt Hedges, Brian Wallace, Sandy Econome, Jim Ortega, Dustin Silva, Alayna Wagner, Dean Williams
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
4. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
  - A. March 4, 2025, Meeting Minutes
6. **ACTION ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS:**
  - A. Review and Discussion of Subcommittees
7. **SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:**
  - A. Community Champion – Group – Jocelyn Smeltzer, Zoo Sanctuary Manager
  - B. Friends of the Folsom Zoo – Peggy Plett, President
  - C. Pickle Ball Club Update, Duane Chinnow, Folsom Pickleball Club President
  - D. Folsom Teen Council, Tom Hellmann, Rec & Community Services Manager
  - E. Senior Services & Center, Tom Hellmann, Rec & Community Services Manager
  - F. FY 2025-26 CIP Budget Overview, Brad Nelson, Park Planning Manager
8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
  - A. Budget/Finance (**Ortega**, Silva, and Wagner,)
  - B. Planning, Development & Renovations (Silva, Wagner, and Williams)
  - C. Operations (Econome, Williams, and Ortega)
  - D. Zoo Sanctuary Ad Hoc Committee (**Econome**, Hedges, and Wallace)
9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**



- A. Monthly Report – Kelly Gonzalez, Parks & Recreation Director
- B. Parks & Recreation Director Report – Kelly Gonzalez, Parks & Recreation Director

## **10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

## **11. ADJOURNMENT:**

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH, 2025  
DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parks & Recreation Meeting was Called to Order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Commission Members: Chair Matt Hedges, Vice Chair Brian Wallace, Jim Ortega, Dustin Silva, Alayna Wagner, Dean Williams  
  
Commission Members Absent: Sandy Econome

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

4. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:** No Cards

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. February 4, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Wagner, second by Commissioner Ortega to approve February 4, 2025, Meeting Minutes.

**AYES:** Commission Members: Hedges, Wallace, Ortega, Silva, Wagner, Williams

**NOES:** Commission Members: None

**ABSENT:** Commission Members: Econome

**ABSTAIN:** Commission Members: None

6. **ACTION ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS:**

7. **SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:**

A. Folsom Plan Area Informational Report - Rebecca Neves, City Engineer

B. Community Sports and Tourism – Tom Hellman, Recreation & Culture Services Manager

C. Friends of the Folsom Parkway Partnership and updates on Adopt-A-Trail – Bruce Cline, President

D. Community Champion Award (Individual) – Brett Bolinger, Sr. Trails Planner/Chris O’Keefe, Parks Maintenance & Facilities Manager

E. Community Champion Award (Group) – Jocelyn Smeltzer, Zoo Sanctuary Manager

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. Budget/Finance (Ortega, Silva, and Wagner)

B. Planning, Development & Renovations (Silva, Wagner, and Williams)

C. Operations (Econome, Williams, and Ortega)

D. Zoo Sanctuary Ad Hoc Committee (Econome, Hedges, and Wallace)

*Rebecca Neves, City Engineer, talked about the Folsom Plan area. Talked about the timing and expectations.*

*Cody Bateson, Senior Recreation Coordinator, talked about the benefits and the impacts of community sports in Folsom.*

*Bruce Cline, President of Friends of Folsom Parkway, introduced the board and helped the Commission understand what their group does for the City of Folsom.*

*Brett Bolinger, Senior Trails Planner, and Chris O'Keefe, Parks Maintenance & Facilities Maintenance, presented the award to Kaye Hermanson who has spearheaded the Adopt A Trail program.*

9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

A. Monthly Report – Kelly Gonzalez, Parks & Recreation Director

B. Parks & Recreation Director Report – Kelly Gonzalez, Parks & Recreation Director

*Monthly, and Director's Report were highlighted by Director Gonzalez.*

10. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

*Commissioner Ortega likes the Tourism Software presented by Tom Hellman and Derik Perez. I would like to be able to put that in front of City Council*

*Co-Chair Wallace stated the meeting and information provided was great. Feels we should bring back the discussion of the subcommittees, as they should be broken up further to keep the three-person limit so there is not a majority in the meetings.*

*Commissioner Silva appreciated the staff staying to present the agenda information.*

*Commissioner Wagner would like to look at ways to increase revenue.*

*Commissioner Williams is looking forward to meeting with the subcommittees. Excited about the new Tourism software. Suggested having one continuing member for each subcommittee so that not all members are band new.*

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Parks & Recreation Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

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Matt Hedges, Chairperson

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## Parks & Recreation Commission

### SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

#### 2025-updated on 2.05.25

#### **BUDGET & FINANCE**

Jim Ortega

Dustin Silva

Alayna Wagner

Brian Wallace\*

Staff: Kelly Gonzalez, Jamison Larson, Tom Hellmann, Chris O'Keefe, Brad Nelson

#### **PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & RENOVATIONS**

Dustin Silva

Alayna Wagner

Dean Williams

Brian Wallace\*

Staff: Kelly Gonzalez, Brad Nelson, Chris O'Keefe, Jamison Larson

#### **OPERATIONS**

Sandy Econome

Dean Williams

Jim Ortega

Staff: Kelly Gonzalez, Chris O'Keefe, Jamison Larson, Tom Hellmann

#### **AD HOC COMMITTEE**

##### **Zoo Sanctuary**

Matt Hedges

Brian Wallace

Sandy Econome

Staff: Kelly Gonzalez, Jocelyn Smeltzer, and Jamison Larson



# FOLSOM PARKS & RECREATION

## Department Report

MARCH 2025



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### PARTICIPATION

#### Participation in classes, camps, activities, and parties

Aquatics	8,364
Community and Cultural Services	6,295
Sports	7,436
Zoo Sanctuary	410
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22,505</b>

#### Guest Entry at Recreation Facilities

Aquatics	346
Zoo Sanctuary (General)	6,037
Zoo Sanctuary (Tours)	542
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,925</b>

**PARTICIPATION GRAND TOTAL 29,430**

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### Marketing/PR

E-News Articles	13
Printed Citywide Newsletter	6
Miscellaneous Print/Digital Media	72

#### Social Media @FolsomParksandRec

Facebook Followers	10,246
Instagram Followers	6,751
Engagement: 1,100   Reach: 8,900	


**Top Monthly Post:** Meet the Instructor Bocce Ball Video

#### Social Media @FolsomCityZooSanctuary

Facebook Followers	18,831
Instagram Followers	7,581
Engagement: 4,000   Reach: 26,000	

**Top Monthly Post:** Sand Cat Sisters B-Day Post

<b>VOLUNTEER HOURS</b> 	
Adopt-A-Trail	102
Friends of the Zoo	59
Sports/Coaching	708
Teen Council	177
Zoo Docents	1,171
Zoo General/Misc	115
<b>VOLUNTEER HOURS GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>2,332</b>

<b>RENTALS</b> 	
Aquatic Center Lane Hours	1,262
City Sports Field Hours	2,877
Community Facilities	92
Park Picnic Pavilions	9
Vista HS Lane Hours	263

<b>CUSTOMER SERVICE</b> 	
<b>Park Maintenance and Municipal Landscape Services</b>	
SeeClickFix Work Orders Completed	134

## **PARK PLANNING**

<b>Benevento Park</b>				
Pre-Planning	Design & Engineering	Construction		OPEN!
<b>Kids Play Park Renovation</b>				
Pre-Planning	Design & Engineering	Construction		OPEN!
<b>Livermore Park Phase 5A</b>				
Pre-Planning	Design & Engineering	Construction		OPEN!

## **TRAIL PLANNING**

Number of visitors on the Johnny Cash Trail				11,129
<b>Folsom Boulevard Bike/Ped Overcrossing Feasibility Study</b>				
Planning	Funding	Design & Engineering	Construction	OPEN!
<b>Folsom-Placerville Rail Trail</b>				
Planning	Funding	Design & Engineering	Construction	OPEN!
<b>Mangini Ranch Trails</b>				
Planning	Funding	Design & Engineering	Construction	OPEN!



Artwork from the Feb/March exhibit, **Art Movements in Fiber**, at The Gallery at 48 Natoma

## **PARTNERSHIPS**

Organizations that helped support a community special event, enrichment program, or Parks & Recreation facility.

New Partnerships (In the Last 90 days)	12
Partnership Value (Financial and In-Kind)	22,870

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## The City of Folsom Adopted the Strategic Plan FY 2023-24 through FY 2027-28

*The Parks & Recreation Department is dedicated to supporting the goals and initiatives of the Strategic Plan. The goals identified by the City Council include Financial Stability, Public Safety and Infrastructure, Economic and Community Development, and Organization Effectiveness.*

### GOAL A: Financial Stability and Sustainability

**Support fiscal health through long-term planning, cost control, heightened efficiency, increased revenue, and cost recovery.**

- Municipal Landscape Services is nearing the finish line for the Proposition 218 process in the Natoma Station Landscaping & Lighting (L&L) District: residents of the district are voting on whether or not to increase their property assessment fees to fund higher levels of maintenance, address deferred maintenance, and lifecycle replacements. Votes will be counted at the March 25 Public Hearing at the City Council meeting.
- Staff renovated the existing batting cage netting on the southside to minimize future maintenance impacts and the potential of any future unplanned facility shutdowns due to poor design and equipment.
- Staff had a consent item on the March 11 City Council agenda requesting authorization to apply for a grant extension and budget increase for ladder fuel removal. The item was approved and staff sent in all required documents to CalOES on March 13. If approval is given by FEMA and CalOES, funding will be in place to complete the remainder of the ladder fuel project.

### GOAL B: Public Safety and Infrastructure

**Enhance provision of public safety resources, invest in technological solutions, and maintain, repair, and improve public facilities and infrastructure.**

- Steve Miklos Aquatic Center received 2024 Gold Audit Award Criteria: All overall audit scores were found to meet or exceed the rigorous and proactive standards of the Comprehensive Aquatic Risk Management Program. The Folsom Parks & Recreation Department Aquatics Team represents the top 21% of international clients through Jeff Ellis and Associates that received this Award for 2024.
- Staff worked to plan and implement ballfield renovations for the upcoming Spring season to ensure safer field conditions.
- Our summer weed abatement season is here and the Municipal Landscape Services (MLS) Division is utilizing a combination of contractors with grazing herds and manual methods across 475 acres of open space to reduce fire risk by our deadline of June 1. The Parks Maintenance Division will be utilizing the same methods to complete an additional 258 acres, for a combined Parks & Recreation Department area of 733 acres to be completed by June 1. Grazing herds are currently working in Folsom Ranch and Briggs Ranch areas.
- Staff worked with vendors to replace damaged chain-link fencing at both lower Rodeo baseball/softball fields.
- Precision Concrete Cutting is addressing trip hazards in and around city parks.
- Drainage issues at Mann Park and the Lembi Park pickleball courts were corrected.
- Staff received comments back from the Community Development Department for the Mangini Ranch Trails Project construction documents. Staff is waiting for the comments back on the project specifications to finalize the bid package.
- Staff prepared Request for Proposal (RFP) packages for the playground consultant and site infrastructure consultant for the complete renovation of the play structure at Kids Play Park. These are anticipated to be issued at the end of March.
- Design work on Livermore Park Phase 5A has resumed and staff anticipate a 75% construction document package to be completed in April.

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## GOAL C: Economic and Community Development

**Promote effective use of existing amenities and resources to create future opportunities that enrich the community.**

- Steve Miklos Aquatic Center hosted the annual Jeff Ellis & Associates Lifeguard Instructor training March 7–9. Over 40 Lifeguard Instructors from Northern California attended the event with 6 staff from Folsom attending.
- Steve Miklos Aquatic Center will be hosting an artistic swim event (synchronized swimming) March 29–30. Over 300 swimmers will be competing from teams throughout Northern California.
- Folsom Sea Otters will hold a spring swim clinic at the Steve Miklos Aquatic Center.
- Staff scheduled and coordinated a variety of youth sporting events such as: (4) youth softball tournaments, (1) pickleball tournament, (2) youth volleyball tournaments, and (1) AAU basketball tournament at various Folsom Parks & Recreation facilities in the City.
- The Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary welcomed two community volunteer groups this month, Intel and Blue Shield. These groups helped clean up fallen leaves, branches, and debris caused by the storms. They also helped pull weeds throughout the sanctuary, and helped plant native plants. Blue Shield helped the sanctuary receive a \$300 voucher to purchase these plants from Green Acres.
- The Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary's volunteer Hoofstock team was in the limelight this month. They were spotted walking miniature horses and donkeys to Karen's Bakery in Historic Folsom for storytime. We're proud of their community outreach!
- Jessica Donahoo, Senior Program Coordinator, met with representatives from the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians as they prepare for their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual event at the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary in April. This group provides inclusive educational signage for the sanctuary, allowing the community to learn more about the Miwok and Nisenan languages.
- There were 12 participants in *Identifying Bird Calls*, a unique two-day workshop, at Hinkle Creek. On March 4, participants enjoyed a classroom presentation by Paul Miller of the Sacramento Audubon Society and on March 8, Paul led a field study tour of the Hinkle Creek Trail looking and listening for birds.
- This month the Folsom Senior Center served 206 meals, hosted 92 people for various educational workshops, went on two-day trips of 10 seniors to the Sacramento Underground Tour, and hosted a party with 60 attendees.
- Preschool registration opened on March 4 for the Fall 2025 school year.

## GOAL D: Organization Effectiveness

**Build strong connections and support for the community and employees through a commitment to local government best practices and employee development, support, and retention to meet community needs.**

- Steve Miklos Aquatic Center held an annual group interview on March 11. 40 young adults participated in the event seeking employment for the 2025 summer season.
- MLS Division employee Sean Kopecki has been promoted to Senior Maintenance Specialist. Sean has been with the division since 2019 and has been a key member of the team. He has taken on the roles of Underground Service Alert (USA) Coordinator as well as Lead Inspector, and plays a large part in SeeClickFix coordination. The division maintains a wide variety of assets that require different skills, Sean has a well-rounded background and skills in many different trades that have made him invaluable to our team.
- The MLS Division has posted their unfilled positions for the hiring process. They will be hiring for the currently vacant positions of MLS Manager and Maintenance Specialist/Senior Maintenance Specialist. The preliminary review of applications shows a strong pool of candidates. Interviews will take place over the next few weeks. The division has been understaffed for over a year. These new hires will be a huge help in managing the growing workload and expanding responsibilities.

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- The MLS Division continues to utilize Limble, our computerized maintenance management system (CMMS) software, for asset management, parts inventory, and project/time tracking across our many different L&L Districts and Community Facility Districts (CFD) throughout Folsom. Over the past month, they have completed 217 tasks including, administrative projects, USA utility marking, and maintenance work orders. As they get more accustomed to the software and tracking different metrics, the goal for the next 30 days is to increase employee hours logged in Limble to over 70%.
  - Several staff attended and participated in the California Parks & Recreation Society (CPRS) Conference in Sacramento, the week of March 18–21 to engage with professional development.
    - » Two staff from the Teen Services Division attended the Recreation Intensive session on Tuesday, March 18 to invest in their professional development.
    - » Nadia Khokhhar Roberts, Recreation Coordinator II, was on the CPRS Connections Conference Planning Committee and the lead for the Welcome Reception Team. She also attended the Conference March 18–21.
    - » Frankie Nelson, Senior Recreation Coordinator, was a presenter on two topics at this year's CPRS Conference the week of March 18–21. He presented along with his PT staff member Sarah Valentine and Ace Delos Reyes from Fair Oaks Recreation and Park District on *3... 2... 1 Action! Telling Your Agency's Story Through Video*. Frankie also presented alongside Penelope Crouse-Feehan, Recreation Coordinator, and Sahika Lal from San Joaquin County on the topic, *Privilege in Practice: Understanding Influence*.
  - Ted Ocampo, Senior Recreation Coordinator attended a Supervisory Skills Training in Elk Grove on March 13.
  - Daniel Kimpel, Recreation Coordinator II, hosted a resource table at the *Local Aging and Disability-Friendly Action Plan Launch Event and Celebration* on March 17 at California State University, Sacramento and networked with other resource providers in the county.
  - We are excited to announce the successful rollout of eCheck as a new payment option! Customers can now easily make secure payments directly from their checking accounts—no credit card fees required. This new option makes paying for online registrations and balances faster, safer, and more convenient. It's a big step forward in improving our payment process and making it even more customer-friendly!
  - Alfonzo Garcia, Parks Maintenance Technician, completed the Rainbird Irrigation Class, a week-long session for which he received a certificate in irrigation system maintenance and troubleshooting.

## MISSION

*The Parks & Recreation Department is committed to being a leader in creating and maintaining facilities, parks, programs, and services that enhance the quality of life and reflect the changing needs of our community and environment.*

# FOLSOM PARKS & RECREATION

## Director's Report

MARCH 2025



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## City Council Meetings

### March 11

- **Resolution No. 11337:** A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Submit Grant Extension and Budget Increase Request to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and California Office of Emergency Services for the City of Folsom Defensible Space and Vegetation Management Plan
- Presentation on the Benefits of Youth Sports

### March 25

- **Resolution No. 11339:** A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract with S & S Fence Company Inc. for the Replacement of the Existing Wrought Iron Fence at the Natoma Sluice Diggings Site and Use of General Fund (Fund 010) Contingency Budget
- **Resolution No. 11341:** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Folsom Declaring Results of the Natoma Station Maintenance Assessment District No. 2025-1 Ballot Proceeding, Approving the Final Engineer's Report, Confirming the Diagram and Assessments, and Ordering the Levying of Assessments for the Maintenance and Servicing of Improvements Within Said District
- **Resolution No. 11340:** A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with KSI an Aquafinity Company for the Replacement of the Sand Filters at the Steve Miklos Aquatics Center and Use of General Fund (Fund 010) Contingency Budget

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## April 8

- **Resolution No. 00000:** A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Folsom Lake Ford for the Purchase of one Ford Vehicle and Appropriation of Funds from the Park Capital Equipment Fund (452) for the Purchase and Outfitting of Said Vehicle

## April 22

### Closed Session Items:

- **Conference with Real Property Negotiator:** Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8: Retail Space at 905 Leidesdorff Street, APN 070-0052-023-0000. Negotiating Parties: Bryan Whitemyer, City Manager on behalf of the City of Folsom, and Taryn Grows and Charlie Grows, of Pour Leadership Inc., DBA Uncle Charlie's Firehouse & Brew. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Lease
- **Conference with Real Property Negotiator:** Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8: 405 Natoma Station Drive, APN 072-0850-029-0000. Negotiating Parties: Bryan Whitemyer, City Manager on behalf of the City of Folsom, and Kelli Vaccaro, DBA Kids Inc. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Lease

## Parks & Recreation Staffing

- We would like to congratulate Sean Kopecki on his recent promotion to Senior Maintenance Specialist.
- Staff completed interviews on April 1 for the Municipal Landscape Services Manager.
- Staff has completed review of Maintenance Specialist and Senior Maintenance Specialist applications for the Municipal Landscape Services Division. There was a strong pool of internal and external candidates. Panel interviews will be completed in early April followed by department interviews of the top candidates.

## Department Highlights and Summary

- Derik Perez, Recreation Supervisor, presented to City Council on March 11, 2025. Derik provided an overview of the benefits of recreational sport programming. Derik provided an introduction regarding the Economic Impact Calculator which was well received by City Council. Staff will be meeting with department heads internally to provide demonstrations.
- Folsom Park & Recreation's Adult Spring 2025 Bocce Ball League will host the first game on April 3, 2025, at Econome Park.
- The City Council approved our request to move forward with the grant submission of Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and California Office of Emergency Services for the City of Folsom Defensible Space and Vegetation Management Plan.
- Staff completed and submitted preliminary budgets for the operational and capital improvement plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. The Parks & Recreation Department presented preliminary budget requests and information to the budget committee on March 25 and 26.
- Staff will begin tours of departmental programs and facilities with the new city manager in the month of April.
- Parks & Recreation staff attended the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) Conference in Sacramento. Frankie Nelson, Senior Recreation Coordinator and Penelope Crouse-Feehan, Recreation Coordinator were invited to present during the conference.
- Staff are in the final phases of the Summer Activity Guide which will go out in the mail in mid April.
- Annual weed abatement is underway in city owned open spaces. The grazing contractor has multiple herds working in areas throughout the city. In total the staff will have 733 acres of weed abatement completed before summer through grazing and mechanical methods.

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## Future Potential Agenda Topics

- Budget Committee Workshop FY 2025–26
- Capital Improvement Plan FY 2025–26
- Facility, Park and Trails Planning Quarterly Update
- Recap of Upcoming Events
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- Staffing levels at the Skate Park/Bike Park

## Upcoming Special Events—Save the Date!

- **April 4:** Opening reception for Yen-Ching Chang exhibit at Gallery at 48 Natoma
- **April 9:** Festival of Eggs at Lembi Park
- **April 18:** Senior Resource Fair
- **April 26:** Earth Day
- **May 17:** Skate & BMX Jam
- **May 21:** City Works Day
- **May 31 & June 1:** Black Bear Awareness Weekend