

**CITY OF FOLSOM  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2025, 6:30 PM  
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, Sandy Econome, Jim Ortega, Dustin Silva, Alayna Wagner, Dean Williams

Commission Members Absent: None

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

4. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

*Cards were received for items 6A and 6B*

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. May 6, 2025, Meeting Minutes

*Motion by Commissioner Ortega, second by Commissioner Econome to approve May 6, 2025, Meeting Minutes.*

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

**NOES:** Commission Members: None

**ABSENT:** Commission Members: None

**ABSTAIN:** Commission Members: None

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

A. Proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Capital Improvement Plan Budget – Brad Nelson, Parks & Trails Planning Manager

*Brad Nelson, Parks & Trails Manager, presented information and the importance of the Capital Improvement Plan budget.*

*Tram Nguyen, a community member, spoke. Talked about a petition that had circulated around her community, with over 450 signatures, wanting Neighborhood Park 1 to be the next park to be built or a guarantee that if it is not the next park, it will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> park.*

*Motion by Vice Chair Wallace, second by Commissioner Econome to approve the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Capital Improvement Plan Budget. With the comment that a master plan is needed so the community can know what to expect from Parks & Recreation.*

**AYES:** Commission Members: Hedges, Wallace, Econome, Ortega, Williams

**NOES:** Commission Members: Silva, Wagner

**ABSENT:** Commission Members: None

**ABSTAIN:** Commission Members: None

B. Cummings Family Skate and Bike Park Petition and Operations – Tom Hellmann, Recreation and Community Services Manager

*Tom Hellmann, Recreation and Community Services Manager provided background in regards to Cummings Family Skate and Bike Park. Two items up for discussion; 1. Accept a petition from the community to change our rules on the requirement of safety equipment, and 2. Should the skatepark continue to operate with an employee that monitors the skate park.*

*Many community members spoke on the skatepark park. All expressed the desire to remove the employee and extend the hours of the skatepark so that it is more usable.*

*Motion by Chair Hedges, second by Commissioner Wagner to reject 1. the Bike Park petition requesting the change in safety equipment requirements, and 2. To send a recommendation to City Council to discontinue staffing at the Cummings Family Skate Park, with the gates always open, and to come back in a year from the passage of this and get a report on how things are going.*

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

**NOES:** Commission Members: None

**ABSENT:** Commission Members: None

**ABSTAIN:** Commission Members: None

7. **SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:**

A. Folsom Disc Golf Club – Chris Salcone, Board Member/Chris McCole, Vice President

B. Kids Play Park Community Awareness Campaign – Brad Nelson, Parks and Trails Planning Manager/Joanne Brausch

C. Community Partnership Program - Tom Hellmann, Recreation Community Services Manager

D. May is National Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month - Tom Hellmann, Rec & Community Services Manager

*Chris Salcone, Board Member/Chris McCole, Vice President presented the history of Disc Golf in Folsom and its success that has outgrown the current space, and the want of a larger space.*

*Brad Nelson, Parks and Trails Planning Manager/Joanne Brausch presented the plan to implement a campaign for community awareness and the need for further funds from the community to revive Kids Play Park.*

*Tom Hellmann, Recreation Community Services Manager, introduced Frankie Nelson, Sr. Recreation Coordinator, to speak about our Community Partnership Program and opportunities for the community to become partners.*

*Tom Hellmann, Recreation Community Services Manager introduced Chad Gunter, Aquatics Center Supervisor who spoke about the happenings for “May is National Safety and Drowning Prevention Month.”*

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Budget/Finance (Ortega, Silva, and Wagner)
- B. Planning, Development & Renovations (Silva, Wagner, and Williams)
- C. Operations (Eonome, Williams, and Ortega)
- D. Zoo Sanctuary Ad Hoc Committee (Econome, Hedges, and Wallace)

*The Operations Committee met and discussed the Cummings Skate Park item on the agenda.*

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:**

*Chair Hedges commented on wanting to explore more opportunities with Disc Golf. Wants to see the Disc Golf MOUs. Would also like to have a further discussion on unrealized revenue opportunities as it pertains to sports tournaments.*

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Parks & Recreation Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**



Matt Hedges, Chairperson

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