

AGENDA

**Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission
County Administrative Center - 1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st Floor
Board of Supervisors Chambers
Bakersfield, CA 93301**

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, July 21, 2021
6:30 P.M.

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Commissioners: Vacant, District I;
William Chapman, District II;
Kathleen Arnold-Chambers, District III;
Lorena Cervantes, District IV; and
Ucedrah Osby, District V

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PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS, COMMENTS, AND REQUESTS

1. Item number one is reserved for persons wishing to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda and over which the Commission has jurisdiction. No response is required from the Commission or staff, and no action can be taken on items not on the agenda; however, Commissioners may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. Commissioners may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff for factual information, or request staff to report back to the Commission at a later meeting. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.**
2. Scheduled Presentation by the Kern River Parkway Foundation/Hart Park Working Group – The work that has been done and is being done by the Group; **HEAR PRESENTATION**

CONSENT AGENDA

3. All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by staff. Consent items will be considered first and may be approved by one motion if no member of the Commission or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence.

- i. Approval of Minutes: Regular meeting on June 16, 2021; **APPROVE**
- ii. Miscellaneous Correspondence; **RECEIVE AND FILE**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- 4. General Services – This portion of the meeting is reserved for General Services staff to provide a report regarding new and ongoing projects, programs, and plans relating to Kern County Parks, including the items listed below; **INFORMATIONAL**
 - i. Hart Memorial Park area
 - ii. California Ave. Property
 - iii. Proposition 68 – Per Capita
 - iv. Proposition 68 – Regional Parks Program
 - v. Off-highway Vehicle (OHV) Park
 - vi. Miscellaneous small projects
- 5. Park Ranger – Status Update; **INFORMATIONAL**
- 6. Park Showcase – Rexland Acres Park – District 5; **INFORMATIONAL**

NEW, UNFINISHED, AND OTHER BUSINESS

- 7. Additional Information Under Topic *General Services Staff Updates* on Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda; **DISCUSS**
- 8. Future Community Meeting at Casa Loma Park; **DISCUSS**

COMMISSION MEMBER PRESENTATIONS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 9. On their own initiative, Commission members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. Commissioners may request that an item be agendaized at a future meeting, make a referral to staff for factual information, or request that staff report back to the Commission at a later meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

- 10. Adjourn to next regular meeting, scheduled for August 18, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., to be conducted at the County Administrative Center - 1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st Floor, Board of Supervisors Chambers, Bakersfield, CA 93301

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VIRTUAL MEETING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

A meeting of the Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021. Chairman Osby presided.

Present: Commissioner William Chapman, District II; and Commissioner Kathleen Arnold-Chambers, District III; and Lorena Cervantes, District IV

Absent: Vacant, District I; and Ucedrah Osby, District V

Staff: Brian Van Wyk – Deputy County Counsel; Geoffrey Hill – Chief General Services Officer; Carl Brewer – Senior CAO Manager – General Services; Shane Denton, Supervising Park Ranger – General Services; Matt Howard, General Services Manager – General Services; and Isaac Preston, General Services Manager – General Services

Others: There were four (4) others present

NOTE: Ch, Ar, Ce, and Os are abbreviations for Commissioners Bray, Chapman, Arnold-Chambers, Cervantes, and Osby. As an example, Ar-Ch denotes Commissioner Arnold-Chambers made a motion and Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Co-Chairman Arnold-Chamber.

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2. Scheduled Presentation by Eddy Laine: Bakersfield Cactus Reserves: What's at Stake:

EDDY LAINE HEARD REGARDING DAMAGE TO THE HILLSIDE BY MOTORCYCLES AT THE BAKERSFIELD CACTUS PRESERVE AND A REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION TO HAVE A PROPERTY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE PROPERTY PREPARED.

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 - I. Approval of Minutes: Regular meeting on May 19, 2021. CH-CE TO APPROVE THE MAY 19, 2021, MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN. 3 AYES – 0 OPPOSED
 - II. Miscellaneous Correspondence. CH-CE TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE FROM CAROL LAIR DATED JUNE 1, 2021, REGARDING THE MAY 2021 CAT STATISTICS AT HART MEMORIAL PARK; AND THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DATED JUNE 8, 2021, FROM THE HART PARK WORKING GROUP REGARDING THE ADOBE/PEACOCK HOUSE INTERPRETATIVE CENTER PHASE III RANKING. 3 AYES - 0 OPPOSED

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

4. General Services – Status Updates
 - I. Hart Memorial Park – GEOFFREY HILL, CHIEF GENERAL SERVICES OFFICER WAS PRESENT BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE HART MEMORIAL PARK ADOBE PROJECT. GEOFFREY HILL ADVISED THAT THE FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD HAS REQUESTED ADDITIONAL FLOOD ANALYSIS BEFORE APPROVAL IS GRANTED. THIS REQUEST HAS POSTPONED PLAN CHECK AND PERMITTING PROCESS. ONCE THE FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD HAS GRANTED APPROVE, THE PROJECT WILL BE SENT OUT TO BID, A CONTRACTOR WILL BE SELECTED, THEN THE PROJECT WILL BEGIN. ADDITIONALLY, GEOFFREY HILL REPORTED ON THE STATUS OF THE TRAIL HEAD AND ENTRY MONUMENT SIGN PROJECTS. GEOFFREY HILL ALSO REPORTED ON THREE WATER PROJECT AND A WI-FI PROJECT THAT ARE ACTIVELY BEING WORKED ON.
 - II. California Ave. Property – GEOFFREY HILL, CHIEF GENERAL SERVICES OFFICER WAS PRESENT BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE CALIFORNIA AVE. PROPERTY. GEOFFREY HILL ADVISED THAT THE DEPARTMENT WAS STILL WAITING ON THE VALUE ASSESSMENT/APPRaisal OF THE PROPERTY. ONCE RECEIVED, ALL ENTITIES WILL BE NOTIFIED STATUS VIA STANDARD NOTICE FORM.
 - III. Proposition 68 – Per Capita – CARL BREWER, SENIOR CAO MANAGER WAS PRESENT BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO INFORM THEM THAT CONCEPTUAL DRAWINGS WERE BEING COMPLETED REGARDING THE DESIGN FOR A PLAY AREA AND WATER FEATURE AT HART MEMORIAL PARK.
 - IV. Proposition 68 – Regional Parks Program – CARL BREWER, SENIOR CAO MANAGER WAS PRESENT BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO INFORM THEM THAT STAFF IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE COUNTY'S GRANT CONSULTING FIRM TO BEING THE PROCESS FOR THE REGIONAL PARKS PROGRAM. THE REGIONAL PARKS BEING CONSIDERED FOR APPLICATIONS INCLUDE FRAZIER MOUNTAIN PARK, LAKE MING, AND BUENA VISTA AQUATIC RECREATIONAL AREA.

V. Off-highway Vehicle (OHV) Park – CARL BREWER, SENIOR CAO MANAGER WAS PRESENT BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE (OHV) GRANT FOR A FUTURE OHV PARK IN KERN COUNTY.

5. Park Ranger – Status Update – SHANE DENTON, SUPERVISING PARK RANGER, PROVIDED THE COMMISSION WITH A VERBAL UPDATE REGARDING THE 30-DAY RANGER STATUS REPORT.
6. Park Showcase – Wofford Heights Park – District 1 - STAFF PROVIDED THE COMMISSION WITH A SHOWCASE OF WOFFORD HEIGHTS PARK LOCATED IN DISTRICT 1 OF WOFFORD HEIGHTS, CA. WOFFORD HEIGHTS HAS A BASKETBALL COURT, PICNIC TABLES, TOT-LOT, SWINGS, RESTROOMS, AND OPEN GRASS AREAS.

NEW, UNFINISHED, AND OTHER BUSINESS

7. Consideration of Administrative and Procedural Rules for the Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Commission; BRIAN VAN WYK – DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL PROVIDED THE COMMISSION WITH THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCEDURAL RULES FOR THE PROCESSING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION. CE-CH TO ADOPT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCEDURAL RULES FOR THE PROCESSING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION, AS WRITTEN. 3 AYES – OPPOSED
8. Additional Information Under Topic *General Services Staff Updates* on Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda – FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION DECIDED TO POSTPOSE THIS TOPIC UNTIL THE JULY MEETING SO COUNTY COUNSEL COULD WORK WITH STAFF ON THE REQUEST.
9. Future Community Meeting at Casa Loma Park – STAFF INFORMED THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION THAT PROPOSED DATES AND TIMES FOR A COMMUNITY MEETING AT CASA LOMA PARK HAVE BEEN SENT TO COMMUNITY MEMBER ELIZABETH RAMOS, BUT A RESPONSE HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED.
10. Resuming In-person Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting – CE - CH TO APPROVE RESUMING IN PERSON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETINGS STARTING IN JULY 2021. 3 AYES – 0 OPPOSED

COMMISSION MEMBER PRESENTATIONS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ADJOURNMENT

12. Adjourn at 7:59 p.m. to next regular meeting, scheduled for July 21, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at the County Administrative Center – 1115 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield, 1st Floor – Board of Supervisors Chambers.

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From: [Carol Lair](#)
To: [Geoffrey Hill](#); [Carl Brewer](#); [Matthew Howard](#); [John Pimienta](#); [Shane Denton](#); [Nicholas Cullen](#); [Barbara Hays](#); [Jeff Flores](#)
Subject: REPORT TO GENERAL SERVICES AND KCAS FOR JUNE 2021
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6-1-21 Picked up a gray tabby and took it to KCAS.

6-1-21 Picked up a not very friendly black cat that was already fixed and relocated it to a feeding trough but he returned to his home turf.

6-4-21 Long haired gray cat picked up by a park visitor.

6-4-21 Picked up a black cat and took it to KCAS.

6-7-21 Two cats trapped, fixed and relocated to one of the feeding troughs. Both returned to their home turf.

6-7-21 Three 4 month old kittens rescued and are in foster care.

6-8-21 Five kittens were born to a long haired gray cat that was rescued and taken to our sanctuary in May.

6-14-21 Two cats were trapped one was fixed and then relocated to one of the troughs, the other was already fixed and relocated. One cat returned to its home turf.

6-22-21 Long haired black cat taken by park visitor.

6-23-21 Three 6 week old kittens rescued and taken to KCAS.

5 park kittens born at our sanctuary

5 cats taken to KCAS

5 cats TNR

2 cats taken by park visitors

3 cats in foster care

Total cats removed from the park: 15

All the cats and kittens removed from the park were newly abandoned this month.

Carol Lair



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Adjournment