

**MINUTES OF THE
MONROVIA COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021**

**Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20,
Commissioners and Staff participated via teleconference.**

In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, members of the public were encouraged to participate in the meeting remotely. Public comment was accepted by email to Community Services Director Tina Cherry prior to 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

CONVENE: Chair Bank convened the Regular Meeting of the Community Services Commission on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7:04 p.m., via teleconference, Monrovia, California. Staff in attendance were Community Services Director Tina Cherry; Recreation Manager Rebecca Sandoval; and Senior Management Analyst Heather Gibson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Villegas led the Flag Salute

ROLL CALL: In attendance were Commissioners Belden, Leos, Mills, Shepard (A/E), Villegas, Vice Chair Iler, and Chair Bank. All members participated via video conference pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

YOUTH COMMISSION: Youth Commissioner Carlos Martinez, 12th grader at Monrovia High School, provided an update on current and upcoming events.

PRESENTATION(S): None

CONSENT CALENDAR: It was moved by Vice Chair Iler, seconded by Commissioner Villegas to approve the consent calendar. There were no objections and the motion was approved.

The consent calendar consisted of the following items:

CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the November 9, 2021 Regular Meeting

CC-2 Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for November 2021

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: None

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

Rebecca Sandoval, Recreation Manager

- a. Provided a recap of the Thankful and Grateful Holiday event held on November 18. The event activities included a dignitary reception, tree lighting ceremony, activity booths, holiday performances, hayrides, truck petting zoo, and free Santa photos. Ms. Sandoval shared photos of the event.

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- b. Provided a recap of the Holiday Parade event held on December 2. The event included a dignitary reception and parade. Ms. Sandoval shared photos of the entries and announced the event winners.
- c. The Noon Year's event will be held on January 1. The event activities will include family fun activities, live band, activity booths, obstacle course, face painting, and a countdown to Noon Year's Eve.

Tina Cherry, Community Services Director

- a. Provided an overview on City Council request to install a pickleball court overlay at Recreation Park. Staff is assessing the courts and conducting an audit of the use of the tennis courts for the pilot program. Staff will post program flyers at Recreation Park.
- b. Provided an update on Samson the Bear Statue at Canyon Park. Ms. Cherry discussed replacement of the statue and staff recommendation to have Commissioner Belden serve as representative on the Art in Public Places Committee to select an artist.
- c. Provided an update on the Library Enhancement Project. Ms. Cherry provided an overview of the project background, opportunities, challenges and the next steps for the project. Also discussed the role of the Commission as it related to the project. In October 2018, the City entered an agreement with Undisclosable, Inc. to study and design enhancements at the library and Library Park.

COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

- a. Chair Bank – The annual Canyon Park holiday event will be held in January.
- b. Vice Chair Iler – The MUSD is closed for winter break and will reopen on January 3. Principal McGinnis will be leaving the school district.
- c. Commissioner Belden – The Art in Public Places is moving forward with the next neighborhood treasures art installation. A new Art in Public Places map is available on website. The Monrovia Association of Fine Arts will host the next artist gallery in January.
- d. Commissioner Leos – The Monrovia Parks, Wilderness, and Recreation Foundation will host an annual holiday fundraiser. The Community Garden will host a compost workshop on December 19.
- e. Commissioner Shepard – (A/E)
- f. Commissioner Mills – The Monrovia Area Partnership quarterly meeting featured Measure K and discussion on mental health.
- g. Commissioner Villegas – No report.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Community Services Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., Monrovia, California.

ADJOURNMENT: The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.