

**MINUTES OF THE  
MONROVIA COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017**

**CONVENE:** Chair Yuille convened the Regular Meeting of the Community Services Commission on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center Monroe Room, Monrovia, California. Staff in attendance: City Manager, Oliver Chi; Police Captain, Alan Sanvictores; Public Services Director, Tina Cherry; Recreation Manager, Katie Distelrath; Senior Recreation Supervisor, Lisa Hansberger; Recreation Supervisor, Rebecca Sandoval; Hillside Wilderness Preserve Supervisor, Eugene Suk, Recreation Coordinator, Brooke Putich, Recreation Coordinator, Tobi Scrugham; Recreation Specialist; Alexis Corral; Recreation Specialist, Cristina Pardo; Recreation Specialist, Stephen Zampielo; and Senior Administrative Assistant, Tina Wells.

**PLEDGE OF ALELEGIANCE:** Commissioner Mills led the Flag Salute.

**ROLL CALL:** In attendance; Commissioners Dittmar, Matthews, Mills, Ulm, Chair Yuille and Vice-Chair Hirsch.

**PRESENTATION(S):**

**PR-1** Introduction of newly hired Recreation Specialists; Alexis Corral, Cristina Pardo, and Stephen Zampielo.

**PR-2** Recognition of Chair Yuille as Monrovia Unified School Districts 2017 Golden Apple Award recipient.

**PR-3** Homelessness Update – Captain Sanvictores of the Monrovia Police Department provided an update on the response related to concerns about the Homelessness in Monrovia parks.

The following citizens spoke regarding Homelessness in Monrovia:

- Phyllis Grady - Monrovia
- Hans Sheen - Monrovia
- Ruby Anderson - Monrovia
- Kathy McCallum - Monrovia
- Alice Parkinson - Monrovia
- Clifford De Costa - Monrovia
- Ed Gilliland - Monrovia

Chair Yuille invited the audience to the City Council meeting on Tuesday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. for further information.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** It was moved by Commissioner Matthews and seconded by Commissioner Dittmar to accept the consent calendar consisting of CC-1 and CC-2. There were no objections, and the motion was unanimously approved.

**CC-1 Minutes** of the February 14, 2017 Regular Meeting

**CC-2 Hillside** Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for February 2017

**ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:** None

**YOUTH COMMISSION:** Jonathan Gonzales, a ninth grade student at Frostig High School provided an update on current and upcoming activities.

**CC-1**

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:** None

### **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**SCR-1** Julian Fisher Park Update – Tina Cherry, Public Services Director presented a Power Point update on the work related to Phase II at Julian Fisher Park. Next steps include; final comments from the Commission, and will be brought to the City Council.

### **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

Tina Cherry, Public Services Director

- 1) Boards and Commissions Vacancies – The terms of Commissioners Mills and Yuille are up as well as a vacant position. Applications are being accepted until May 1 by the City Clerk. On March 29 a meeting will be held for interested parties in order to provide information/details on the Boards and Commissions.
- 2) Monrovia Day – In the planning stages, date is Saturday, May 20. A joint meeting with the School District will be held on March 22. More information to follow.
- 3) Street Fair – Potential changes; relocation of the event ~ may be moved up to Library Park. Looking at implementing a valet parking service as well. The Street Fair Oversight Committee unanimously approved the relocation of the Street Fair. If the recommendation is supported, looking at the move in late April or early May. The Commission provided feedback related to the proposed location change including plans for wet weather days and the impact on the park turf. The Commission believe the relocation would be a positive move for the Street Fair and the Community.

Katie Distelrath, Recreation Manager

- 1) Parks Master Plan Update – The surveys went out to the randomized sample households. Over 500 surveys have been returned.
- 2) The Parks Master Plan Community Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 13 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Mr. Duh will also begin to share some of the results of the survey.

Lisa Hansberger, Senior Recreation Supervisor

- 1) Fountain to the Falls Update – Event date is Saturday, May 13 at 7:00 a.m., (On-line registration is now available on the City's website.) and begins adjacent to the Library Park Fountain to the falls at Canyon Park. The annual Fire Department Pancake breakfast will be held concurrently beginning at 7:00 a.m.

Rebecca Sandoval, Recreation Supervisor

- 1) Spring Egg Hunt and Healthy Kids Day – Scheduled for Saturday, April 15. Registration begins 9:00 a.m., and the egg hunt begins at 10:00 a.m. In the spirit of renewal the team is working on new and exciting elements for this year's event.
- 2) Older American Nominations – excepting nomination until this Friday, March 17. The older American will be announced at the Annual Spring Recognition Luncheon on Thursday, April 27.
- 3) 626 Event Update – the event was held on Sunday, March 5. Estimated 100,000 participants. This was a great event and look forward to next year.

**CC-1**

Brooke Putich, Recreation Coordinator

- 1) CPRS Conference Update – The conference was held in Sacramento on March 1-3. An overview was provided on the workshops available to the participants.

Tobi Scrugham, Recreation Coordinator

- 1) Facilities Update – A PowerPoint presentation was provided highlighting facility rentals and revenue. Commission members requested a revised presentation be provided showing the annual comparison.

## **COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS**

### **CSC LR-1 Commissioner Dittmar - None**

### **CSC LR-2 Vice-Chair Hirsch**

#### **MUSD**

- 1) Healing Connections Coalition, in partnership with the City, area activists, youth organizations, faith based groups and service providers is presenting the annual “March 4 Balance” focus on suicide prevention with “in-reach” events at all district middle and high schools during lunch. In addition, Health Connections is now an official club on campus.
- 2) Robotics Rocks! The Hippy Bots at Clifton Middle School traveled to China earlier this school year and competed against High school teams from around the world, winning awards and accolades. They have accepted an invitation to the Tech Challenge Dutch Championship in the Netherlands on May 19 and 20. In addition, the MHS Suit Bots have advanced to the World Championships! Last weekend they competed in the West Super Regional Championship in Tacoma, Washington, placing seventh and allowing them to compete in Houston, Texas on April 19 for the World Championship.

#### **Boys and Girls Club**

- 1) Youth of the Year Award recognized youth who have met obstacles head-on and despite the odds, have met their challenges and given back to their community. They must demonstrate service to the Club, community and family, academic success and strong moral character. Winners receive a \$500 scholarship and go on to compete at the county, state, and national levels. This year’s winner Mikayla Lee will be introduced at the Blue Carpet event this Thursday, March 16, 5:30 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel.

#### **Santa Anita YMCA**

- 1) Gearing up for summer activities and enrollment for multiple programs.

#### **Mental Health Consortium**

- 1) The group met on Friday, March 13 ~ Focus: Services & Resources for Armed Services, Veteran’s and Families. Speakers included representatives from the Veteran Success Center at Citrus College, Army Reserve Combat Support Sustainment Battalion, Combat Street Unit, Vet Hunters, East LA Vet Center. Spotlight Report presented by the River Community ~ a Social Recovery Model.

### **CSC LR-3 Commissioner Matthews**

#### **Community Coordinating Council**

- 1) This month’s presentation was given by the Immigration Resource Center.

2) The group honors youth twice a year, currently looking for applications to recognize youth.

**CSC LR-4 Commissioner Mills**

**CERT**

1) The program graduated its 100<sup>th</sup> student. This past Saturday, March 4, Cert had a booth at Health Symposium.

**MAP**

1) MAP ED will be held April 1<sup>st</sup> 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

2) The Map Conference will be held on April 22.

**CSC LR-5 Commissioner Ulm - None**

**CSC LR-6 Chair Yuille - None**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was adjourned at 10:14 p.m.