

MONTEREY COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION MEETING

DECEMBER 7, 2023 ACTION MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was in-person and called to order by Commission Chair Stracke at 3 p.m. and was also conducted via teleconference using Zoom. S-P called the roll to verify a quorum was present. Chair Stracke announced that this is a public meeting, and it was being recorded.

<u>Commissioners Present</u> [] time joined after meeting started Sergio Sanchez Paula Getzelman Kelly J. Stracke, Chair Supervisor Glen Church [3:16pm]	<u>Commissioners Absent</u>	<u>County Staff Present</u> Bryan Flores, COP Ryan Bell, AOM-LSRA Nate Merkle, AOM-SCP Dona Luna, MA III-P Marissa Daniel, CC-PS-P Sabrina Guzman, S-P
Guests: None. Members of the Public: None.		
<u>Meeting Notes Abbreviation Legend</u> Chief of Parks Administrative Operations Manager-Laguna Seca Administrative Operations Manager-South County Parks	COP AOM-LSRA AOM-SCP	Management Analyst III-Parks Commission Clerk Secretary -Parks
		MA III-P CC-PS-P S-P

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Stracke asked for public comments on matters not on the agenda.

Public Comments: None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, REQUESTS, RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Stracke requested his position as chair be extended another year. Commissioner Getzelman commented that; she sits on another commission and the chair is in this position for two years to get accustomed in this position. COP Flores will review the Commission bylaws and confer with County Counsel.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS BY COMMISSION CLERK

None.

ACCEPTANCE/APPROVAL OF MCPC MEETING ACTION MINUTES

SCHEDULED MATTERS

- 1. Review and approve the 2024 meeting schedule. Parks Commission will continue to meet the first Thursday of every other month at 3:00 p.m., in the Monterey Conference Room, 168 West Alisal Street, 2nd Floor, Salinas, CA 93901. Any meeting changes will be posted accordingly.**

COP Flores updated commission on a change to the December 2024 meeting location. He stated the December 5, 2024, meeting will be held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers due to scheduling conflicts.

Commissioner Comment: Commissioner Sanchez requested a standing placeholder calendar invite to be sent out by clerk. COP stated a placeholder invitation for the 2024 schedule, would be sent out to all commission and internal staff in January.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Commissioner Sanchez moved that the 2024 MCPC Meeting Dates be approved. Commissioner Getzelman seconded the motion.

Vote: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

COP provided verbal updates on the following items:

a. E-Bike Ordinance

COP Flores reported that staff is working on two versions of the draft ordinance: limiting class 1 & 2 e-bikes to a 20mph limit and all electric transportation modalities to a 20mph limit.

b. Status of Bilingual Fee Waiver

COP Flores reported the Fee waiver has been translated into Spanish. The Facility Use Application will also be translated to Spanish soon. COP Flores informed Commissioners that the Parks reservation system, CivicRec does not translate to Spanish and is only programmed in English.

c. Public Outreach/Engagement Strategies

COP Flores reported his efforts in meeting with vendors to increase Monterey County Parks recognition. To increase off-season visits, Lake Nacimiento has promotional events with special rates that have been approved by Public Works, Facilities and Parks Director Ishii according to Monterey County Code 14.12. A fee resolution will be provided to the Board of Supervisors in the Spring for approval.

d. Manzanita Park Fuel Reduction Project

COP Flores reported that the Calfire Gabilan Crew completed seven days of vegetation/fuel reduction work on the perimeter road surrounding the sports complex. COP Flores stated they will be working with Calfire Gabilan Crew again to clear some of the equestrian and single-track trails.

Chair Stracke inquired about the possibility in creating an area at Manzanita Park for a disc golf course. COP Flores informed the commission that due to the park being operated by the North County Youth Recreation Association (NCYRA) and that the surrounding open space areas managed by Parks is heavily wooded, a disc golf course is not recommended.

NEW FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Disc golf presentation provided by Chair Stracke and Nick Kite.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The Chair thanked everyone for their participation in the 2023 meetings and wished everyone happy holidays. The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.