

MONTEREY COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 12, 2024 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 aired via teleconference using Zoom for staff reports and public participation. CC-PS-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 Ricardo Diaz Paula Getzelman Kelly J. Stracke, Chair Supervisor Glenn Church	<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 requested follow-up on the Dutton Hotel. Commissioner Sanchez requested follow-up on lakes promo events. Supervisor Church requested with scheduled matters to have attachments, reports, presentations attached to the agenda packet to view prior to meeting date.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS BY COMMISSION CLERK

None.

ACCEPTANCE/APPROVAL OF MCPC MEETING ACTION MINUTES

SCHEDULED MATTERS

1. Take action to appoint the Monterey County Parks Commission Chair and Vice Chair for the 2024 calendar year.

County Counsel provided Parks Commission Bylaws and stated every year the roles are rotated in numerical order according to the Supervisorial District. Due to not having an appointed District 5 Commissioner, the Vice-Chair role remains vacant. A discussion was had regarding extending the Chair position an additional year. County Counsel and Commissioners discussed multiple options and decided to continue with current rotation order. Commissioners agreed to have current chair in the position until a commissioner is appointed for District 5. At that time, the District 5 Commissioner will become Chair if they so choose to, and District 1 will become Vice-Chair.

Commissioner Comment: Commissioner Sanchez stated he would like to keep the rotation as is to allow for all Commissioners to have a turn. Commissioners all agreed, when a new Commissioner is appointed and it is their turn to hold the position as Chair, they should have the option to decline on holding the position as Chair. This is to allow them to get comfortable in their role with the Parks Commission.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Supervisor Church moved to pass the motion and Commissioner Sanchez seconded the motion.

Vote: MOTION CARRIED.

2. Receive a presentation on disc golf at Monterey County Parks from Nick Kite and Chair Kelly Stracke and provide recommendations.

Chair Stracke and Nick Kite provided a presentation on a proposed disc golf course at Royal Oaks Park. Both presenters provided logistical overview of the plan, providing an already existing course as an example. Presenters stated that the proposed course would be maintained by the local disc golf club "Monterey Stinging Jellies," providing maintenance and landscaping. The proposed course would cost an estimated \$10,000 to \$20,000 and would be privately funded through donations and sponsorships. The topics of safety and liability were discussed with presenters ensuring the course would have insurance and the location would be away from the public developed picnic areas. COP requested to set up a pop-up disc golf course to serve as a pilot study and report back to the commission on progress. COP will work with Chair Stracke and Nick Kite to set up a pilot study.

Commissioner Comment: Commissioner Getzelman suggested Lake San Antonio as an option to host a disc golf course. Commissioners agreed to re-evaluate after an update is provided by COP.

Public Comment: None

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

COP provided verbal updates on the following items:

a. E-bike Ordinance

COP Flores reported that staff is working on finalizing two ordinances that addresses two classifications one being identifying classes and bikes and the other addressing electric modalities specifically. COP would also like to revise and update multiple codes and bring

back to the commission for review.

b. Lake San Antonio Trout Planting

COP Flores updated commission on two successful 5,000 1-pound sterile trout plant releases at Lake San Antonio. Parks is estimated to receive 20,000 to 25,000 pounds with three more plants scheduled and spread throughout the lake.

c. Wildlife Guzzler at Toro Park

COP Flores reported on the wildlife guzzler project that the Fish and Game Advisory Commission leads. Parks staff with oversight from the Fish and Game Advisory Commission Chair will install wildlife guzzlers (waterers), a rain collection device and storage tank, that will supply drinking water to animals throughout the dry season. The Parks department is budgeting an estimated \$5,000 to \$10,000 in materials and staff time to get two wildlife guzzlers installed at Toro Park and Fort Ord.

d. Parks Projects

COP Flores provided an update on the Nacimiento lodge renovations. The lodges have been waterproofed, roofs have been patched, and siding has been replaced to prevent future water damage. One of the lodge structures will be completely remodeled, to allow staff to estimate renovation costs for the remaining lodges. When weather permits the remodel will be completed. COP Flores will request an increase in the capital improvement program to complete the lodge renovations within the next two years.

NEW FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Dutton Hotel update
- Lake promotion update
- Disc golf course update
- Recommend Ad Hoc Committee to work with North County Youth Recreation Association for new agreement.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.