

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, October 7, 2004**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Redd called to order the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission at 6:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, California.

**SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

Commission Secretary announced that anyone wishing to address an item on the agenda should fill out a speaker's slip and submit it to the Commission Secretary before the item is announced by the Chair.

**ROLL CALL**

All Commissioners were present, with the exception of Chair Longshore and Commissioner Hauser.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Nelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Commissioner Ender, second by Commissioner Nelson, to approve the minutes of September 2, 2004.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Commissioner Nelson, second by Commissioner Ender, to approve the agenda.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS**

Gary and Maureen Spindt, and daughter, Janelle, were presented with a plaque honoring them for their dedicated service to Special Olympics. New Special Olympics Director, Chris Clark, was introduced.

Kimberly Huddleston was presented with a certificate of recognition for her assistance with the Youth Resource Directory.

Ballet Folklorico Dancers and Instructor Luz Medina were presented with letters of appreciation and acknowledgement of the many awards they have won at recent regional and national competitions.

## **PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY**

There were none.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was none.

## **ITEM 1**

### **VISIONS IN PROGRESS (VIP) UPDATE**

Shannon Omessi, Community Services Administrator, introduced VIP participants, Kayla Norwood and Sarah Simpson, who presented a PowerPoint update on VIP youth activities. A VIP youth representative will attend monthly Commission meetings and report information back to the VIP group.

**Commission received and commented.**

### **PARK PROJECT STATUS REPORT**

**Commission received and commented.**

### **QUARTERLY REPORT**

Adele Macpherson, Community Services Superintendent, pointed out a new addition to the Quarterly Report, the Project HEALTH report. Project HEALTH activities for “Walktober” include Lunch and Learn and an employee lunchtime walk.

**Commission received and commented.**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Anti-Gang Task Force (AGTF)

1. Commissioner Redd stated it was interesting to hear from the AGTF kids on how successful the program has been for them.

#### Arts Advisory Committee

1. Phil Lantis, Arts and Events Administrator, provided an update on the opening of the Vital Express Performing Arts Center at College of the Canyons scheduled for October 15 with the production of Big River.
2. The Kick-Off Art Event in Downtown Newhall was held October 2, with a larger version planned for next year.

### **PUBLIC STATEMENTS (COMMISSIONERS)**

Commissioner Ender:

1. Excited about the Project HEALTH Program. The City is ahead of the game with the initiation of this program.

Commissioner Redd:

1. Excited to see the opening of the new Vital Express Performing Arts Center.

## **PUBLIC STATEMENTS (STAFF)**

Tom Reilly, Park Development Administrator

1. Opening of the San Francisquito Trail is scheduled for October 8, 2004, at 3:30 p.m.

Elena Galvez, Management Analyst

1. The annual Priority Setting Process will commence on November 4, 2004, at the regular Commission meeting and followed up with a Study Session in mid-November. Adoption of the Priority Matrix is scheduled for December or January.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Vice Chair Redd adjourned the Commission meeting at 6:42 p.m.**

## **FUTURE MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2004, in the Council Chamber, First Floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA.

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Richard E. Gould, Director  
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services

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Edward Redd, Vice Chair  
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission

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