



PAB Minutes
City of Los Angeles - Department of Recreation and Parks
MacArthur Park Community Center Park Advisory Board
Monday, April 15, 2024
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, Marco Pacheco- President
, Evelyn Balderas- Vice President
, Angelique Lara- Secretary
, Jennifer Gill- Member
, Deann Placencia- Member

Welcome and introduction

1. Call to order at 5:26pm
2. Roll call
 - a. Marco Pacheco- Present
 - b. Evelyn Balderas- Present
 - c. Angelique Lara-Present
 - d. Jennifer Gill-Present
 - e. Deann Placencia-Present
3. Approval of Minutes for January, February, and March
 - a. Minutes for January, February, and March have been approved.

Staff Reports: Stephanie Galvez

1. Report on youth programs, special events, volunteer programs, park and facility updates.
 - a. Spring- Classes/Sports
 - i. Official start of classes was last week (2nd week of April)
 - ii. No Wrestling (canceled due to the sport being a contact sport)
 1. Pickleball- Monday's 5-6pm
 2. This is the 2nd Pickleball in the Region, Echo Park is the first.
 - iii. Fishing Derby- 4/27-Flyer is complete. It will be posted next week (4th week of April) to social media.
 - b. Spring Camp- CD1 sponsored- Recap.
 - i. Sponsored covered staffing fees, and organized field trips.
 - Stephanie made note that families were grateful.
 - c. Spring Egg Hunt Event- Recap
 - i. 386 people checked in.
 - ii. Westlake sponsored the food.
 1. The food was originally set for 500 people, but it was cut down to 400. Remaining money will go towards another event.
 - d. Summer Camp
 - i. \$25 dollar registration instead of \$10
 1. Stephanie made note that we may not see returns of participants.
 - ii. 18 children are on waitlist.
 - iii. 1st week will be career week.
 - e. Issues/Concerns-
 - i. Encampments- There have been weekly calls with CD1 regarding maintenance and sanitation.
 - ii. There will be bi-weekly bulk item pick up. With proper notice, items in a zone area will be flagged and tagged for pick up.



- iii. Permit process
 1. 30 days prior to event for permit.
 - Without permit there will no tents or set up
 - American Cement Building has complained of unauthorized amplified sound during the weekends.
- iv. Stephanie has made note the importance of keeping an eye out of the statues of the park.

Agenda Items: New Business

1. LAPD updates/questions- from senior lead officer, Officer Diaz
 - a. There have been aggravated assaults and robberies on Wilshire, 6th st, and Alvarado.
 - b. On March 25 at 1 am in the morning the bronze newsboy statue was stolen from the park. Cameras captured men wearing Los Angeles city vest loading the statue in a truck.
 - c. Tagging
 - d. Encampments
 - i. LAPD had called UCLA street medicine for help assisting an individual with a disfigured hand. Also, LAPD tried coaching individual for a psych evaluation.
 - e. Mayfair project is for the homeless of the Skid row area.
 - f. Officer Diaz has made note that there have been programs that have come out to try to help the homeless of the park. These programs only take down information and leave without no further notice.
 - i. CD1 Rep Diana Vicente mentioned that out of 6,000 people, and 1000 vets is that the reality is that there is nowhere for these people to go.
2. KYCC- Friday Events/ Park Cleanup
3. CD1- information- Field Rep Diana Vicente
 - a. Council woman plans on a resource event.
 - i. Also, she is focusing on certain topics of MacArthur Park
 1. Theatre- A long Term solution to protecting the space.
 2. Bathrooms- Renting porta potty or fixing the bathroom.
 3. Cameras- Cameras to over the new playground.
 4. Levitt- meeting for rentals.
 - b. CD1 is looking for funding for summer camp.

Community Comments:

1. Public comments for items on the agenda. 2 minutes maximum per speaker.
2. New business, recommendations for future agenda items.
3. **Next meeting: May 20th- 5-7pm**
4. ADJOURNMENT

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