

## **CITY OF GALT**

### **MINUTES**

#### **GALT PARKS AND RECREATION SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING**

**Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California  
Wednesday, February 15, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Gamez. Roll call was taken. Present were Commissioners Buchanan, Gamez, Moore, Smith, and Steele.

Staff members present: Special Projects Administrator Solis and Administrative Assistant Porteous-Toste, Street Superintendent Adin Selby, Mayor Barbara Payne and City Clerk Liz Aquire

#### **CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA** – None

Solis introduced to all in attendance our newly appointed Commissioner Don Buchanan. Commissioner Buchanan was appointed by Mayor Barbara Payne. He also introduced the City's Street Superintendent Adin Selby who will be representing the Parks Division at the Commission meetings as Troy Bonnet is no longer with the City of Galt.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

- a) Special meeting of December 7, 2011

**ACTION:** Moore moved to accept the minutes of the special meeting of December 7, 2011 and seconded by Smith. Vote was taken by those in attendance (Moore, Smith, and Steele) passing 3 – 0.

- b) Meeting of January 11, 2012

**ACTION:** Steele moved to accept the minutes of the meeting of January 11, 2012 and seconded by Smith. Vote was taken by those in attendance (Gamez, Smith, and Steele) passing 3 – 0.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- a) Mayor Barbara Payne began by presenting a flyer to the Commission and staff about May being made Bike month. The Council at the February 21, 2012 meeting will be looking to adopt May as Bike month in Galt and is making plans such as a Tour de Galt.
- b) Galt Youth Master Plan – Mayor Payne began by explaining that this Galt Youth Master Plan before adoption was 6 years in the making and City Council along with the City Manager are committed to sure that the goals outlined can be measured.

Her presentation gave an overview of the Plan which included 5 individual age groups. These groups were divided into Ages 0 – 5 , 6 – 10, 11 -13, 14 – 18 and 19 – 24 years of age. She presented specific goals, expectations and outcomes for each identified age group.

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She and Solis both identified some examples on how the City and the Department are currently responding to some of these in each age group.

Mayor Payne emphasized the importance of the Commission to help with achieving the goals and outcomes desired and the Commissioner's role as advisors to the Council. She asked the Commissioners to look at these goals and outcomes and bring their ideas or opportunities available back to the Council at the Commissioners required annual report to Council.

After some discussion and inquiry, Mayor Payne ended by thanking the Commission for their time and was looking forward to hear their ideas and input on reaching the objectives in the Galt Youth Master Plan.

Solis asked that the Galt Youth Master Plan be agendized for the next meeting, March 14, 2012 to discuss the goals presented and discuss any ideas that the Commission may have to work towards or achieve these goals/outcomes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **Subject:** Security Requirements – January 17, 2012 Council Meeting  
Solis reported that the new security requirements brought forth to the Council were approved and went into effect immediately
- b. **Subject:** Chabolla Center Non-Profit Usage – January 17, 2012 Council Meeting  
This item was not voted on and staff was directed by Council to bring back a recommendation for the usage of both the Chabolla and Littleton Centers and waiving the rental fees for local non-profit organizations twice annually (Item C).
- c. **Subject:** Chabolla and Littleton Center Non-Profit Usage and Fee – February 7, 2012 Council Meeting.  
Solis reported Council approved the usage of both Chabolla and Littleton Centers free of rental charge to all local non-profit organizations twice per year on a one year trial basis.

Solis also stated that in the recommendation that the non-profit event holders are responsible for the set up, tear down and clean up for these free events.

Steele expressed concern as he still believes there will still be costs for staff and a discount versus free may have been more appropriate. Solis stated that the staff report did address those things and was available for review on the City's website.

- d. **Subject:** Financial Impact to Park Maintenance of Proposed C Street and Old Town Landscaping – Adin (Informational)  
Adin Selby with the recent departure of Troy Bonnet was made aware of the Commission request with no time to bring the information requested to the meeting. He will meet with Bill Forrest the project manager and will present the requested information at the next meeting, March 14, 2012.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Subject:** Election of New Chairperson  
Administrative Assistant Deborah Porteous-Toste opened the floor to nominations for the position of

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Chairperson. Chairperson Gamez nominated Commissioner Steele and nomination was seconded by Commissioner Moore. Commissioner Steele then nominated Commissioner Moore who respectfully declined the nomination. With no other nominations the vote was taken and passed unanimously 5 -0 for Commissioner Steele – Chairperson elect.

Chairperson elect Steele opened the floor for nominations for the position of Vice Chairperson. Chairperson elect Steele nominated Vice Chairperson Smith to another term and the nomination was seconded by Commissioner Moore. With no other nominations the vote was taken and passed unanimously 5 -0 for Vice Chairperson Smith to the position for an additional term.

Both the new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will take affect the next meeting, March 14, 2012.

Solis requested at the March 20, 2012 City Council meeting that both outgoing and incoming Chairperson and Vice Chairpersons attend. He would like them to introduce themselves to the Council and those retiring the positions report on the things that each have worked on during their term.

b. **Subject:** Strategic Planning Retreat – January 24, 2012

Solis reviewed the information that was presented and gone over at the Strategic Planning Retreat. Included was the City’s Mission Statement, Visions Statement, Values and the City’s 3 year goals. Also was a list of City wide accomplishments since July 2011 – January 2012. Solis pointed out that one of the goals that is now a priority for the City as well as the Department are facilities and the need for more for not only our existing program needs but future ones as well.

c. **Subject:** Bi- Annual Youth Sports Meeting – January 23, 2012

The meeting was held and Solis reported that is was nice for all to meet and discuss needs and goals as it gave all involved a better understanding of each other organization and how they can facilitate each other. The \$10 fee was discussed and each organization left with an understanding of the benefits to each organization to be included in the program.

Solis reiterated the scheduling requirements and deadlines to facilitate requests. He also explained why these deadlines were important.

**COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

Chairperson Gamez – It was a pleasure serving as Chairperson over the past 14 months

Co-Chairperson Smith –none

Commissioner Buchanan – Was waiting to see what to expect

Commissioner Moore – Welcomed Commissioner Buchanan and appreciated Ben’s leadership and all Commissioners willingness to serve.

Moore reported that while at an expo in Modesto. Had the Galt Youth Master Plan and realizing the 19 – 24 year olds needs to have something to do in Galt and to meet the outcomes outline in the Plan he came across the California Soccer Association North is a soccer group that targets that age group.

He explained how he got information on the organization and his thoughts regarding how we can bring this

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association that is fully organized and established to Galt. They are looking to join with CYSA leagues and he inquired about working with City organizations. Discussion continued about this organization including costs, etc. He believes that going through an already established soccer organizations i.e. CLYSL. This would facility the age group 19 -24 years of age and possibly older adults. The Department has been looking at a City sponsored Adult Soccer league. Solis and the Commission has asked Moore to bring back information for discussion at the next Commission meeting on March 14, 2012.

Commissioner Steele – Welcomed Don to the Commission and thanked Ben for his service.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- a. Shred it - April 21, 2012 – Market Grounds
- b. Cherokee Truck Show – May 4 & 5, 2012 – Market Grounds
- c. Bike Rodeo – May 4 & 5, 2012 (tentative date) –
- d. Bus Roadeo – May 12 & 13, 2012 – Market Grounds
- e. Strawberry Festival – May 19 & 20, 2012 – Market Grounds
- f. Independence Day Celebration – June 30, 2012 – Veteran’s, Softball Complex, and Market (fireworks)
- g. Farmers Market – June 5, 2012 – September 4, 2012 (will be held on B Street instead of Lincoln Way (Cost savings on staff time to close off street and traffic control)

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1) Galt Youth Master Plan – Commissioner’s ideas (Discussion)
- 2) CYSA Information – Moore
- 3) Bike Rodeo Information – Solis
- 4) Financial Impact to Park Maintenance of Proposed C Street and Old Town Landscaping – Adin (Informational)
- 5) Fireworks – Armando (Informational)
- 6) Market Concessions – Recommendation to City Council – Armando
- 7) IDC Budget – Recommendation to City Council – Armando

**ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business before the Parks and Recreation Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Porteous-Toste, Administrative Assistant