

Community Services Advisory Commission  
Regular Meeting  
City Hall - Caldwell Park Conference Room  
777 Cypress Avenue  
Redding, California  
April 9, 2014

## MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

### ATTENDANCE

The following Commissioners were present; Robert Brennan, John Deaton, Judy Salter and John Wilson. Commissioner Erin Resner was absent. Also present were Community Services Director Kimberly Niemer, Management Analyst Matthew McCallum and Executive Assistant Sarah Sheetz.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Council Member Francie Sullivan introduced Katrina Keyes to the Commission. Ms. Keyes is responsible for the Faces of Downtown Redding Portrait Gallery. The Commission applauded Ms. Keyes work and thanked Council Member Sullivan for introducing her.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

The minutes from the Special Meeting held on March 12, 2014, and the monthly Parks Maintenance, Recreation Division and Tourism Activity Reports for March 2014, were presented.

**Motion:** To approve the Consent Calendar.

(Made by Commissioner Wilson, Seconded by Commissioner Brennan)

**AYES:** Commissioners Brenna, Deaton, Salter and Wilson

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Resner

### Motion Carries

## **SHASTA LIVING STREETS PRESENTATION, ANNE WALLACH THOMAS**

Anne Wallach Thomas, Founder and Director of Shasta Living Streets gave a presentation on Active Transportation & Quality of Life for Everyone, attached and incorporated herein by reference. Ms. Wallach Thomas spoke for approximately 30 minutes on the importance of active transportation and the benefits for people, families and communities. Some of the benefits discussed included increased physical activity, decreased pollution and noise, reduced expenses for families, increased commerce and foot traffic for businesses, decreased wear and tear on roadways, and increased opportunities for funding.

Ms. Wallach Thomas shared that Redding has a world class trail system, and that incorporating that into the streets is the next step. She stated that the NACTO Bikeway Design Guidelines, if adopted in California, would bring about some of these changes. She stated that good walking and biking make transit work better.

Director Niemer thanked Ms. Wallach Thomas for the presentation.

Commissioner Brennan inquired what the Commission can do to assist with moving things forward. Ms. Wallach Thomas stated that infrastructure for cyclists and pedestrians needs to first be made a priority. She stated that the community should show support for excellence, and that right now, downtown Redding is key. She said there is a study underway right now, and that a major bike thoroughfare through downtown should be supported.

Director Niemer stated that she would speak with Public Works Director, Brian Crane, and let him know about the discussion at this meeting, get an official response, and report back.

Chair Salter asked Director Niemer what the Commission could do to get involved. Commissioner Brennan stated that he'd like to invite the Public Works Director to an upcoming CSAC meeting to get more information. The Commission concurred.

Ms. Wallach Thomas stated that there is an upcoming study on downtown circulation. Interested residents and groups including CSAC should review. The Bike Advisory Group should be re-initiated, and that the City of Redding's Bike Plan needs to be reviewed and updated.

## **REDDING RECREATION SMALL WATER CRAFT BOATING PROGRAM**

Director Niemer introduced Recreation Supervisor, Jenny Moore, the Aquatics Supervisor for Redding Recreation. Jenny also spends time researching and submitting grant applications for the Community Services Department. Recreation Supervisor Moore provided a presentation on Redding Recreation's Small Water Craft Boating Program, incorporated herein by reference. Redding Recreation partners with the Redding Yacht Club and Whiskeytown National Recreation Area for this programming, which includes introductory lessons at the Redding Aquatic Center, Youth Sailing Camp, Big Boat Sailing Lessons, Stand Up Paddle Board Clinics and an introduction to boating which includes kayaking, stand up paddle boarding and sailing.

## **PROJECT UPDATES**

Celebrate 10 planning continues. The event card for Celebrate 10 was shared with the Commission. The official line-up of events is on the back of the card and can be found at [www.celebrate10.com](http://www.celebrate10.com). The Community Services Department is leading the effort on the Sundial Splash which is the community river event taking place on June 28, 2014. More information can be found at [www.sundialsplash.com](http://www.sundialsplash.com).

A dedication ceremony at Turtle Bay East will be held on Monday, May 12, 2014. Invitations are forthcoming.

Highland Park continues to be very popular and receiving a lot of use. The developer added a turf area recently and has exceeded the requirements of the Park Fee Credit Agreement.

The Sundial LED Light project was approved unanimously by the City Council at its most recent meeting. The LED lights should reduce utility expenditures for the department significantly.

Staff is submitting grant applications to various agencies for trail and environmental restoration at the Henderson Open Space.

The Gnarly Neon 5k run is coming up on May 3, 2014. Registration currently exceeds 1,000 participants.

Director Niemer shared renderings of the Shasta Trinity Fly Fishers proposed Clubhouse at Clover Creek Preserve.

## **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Brennan inquired about the Tiger Field Joint Use Agreement. Director Niemer stated that for a number of years the City has traded field space with Simpson University. Simpson University's softball program has grown and space is no longer available for the City's use. The agreement will provide access for the baseball team to utilize Tiger Field and in exchange Simpson will provide 500 seats to improve the field. Simpson would have priority scheduling during the two seasons for five years. The collegiate season is complete prior to the other users' starting.

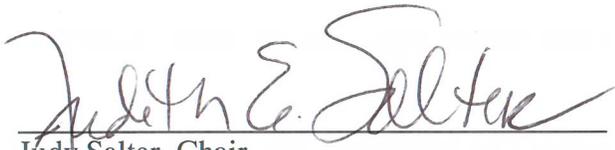
Commissioner Deaton inquired about the Heart Your Park campaign from Macy's. Director Niemer stated that we have not received any further details from Macy's at this point.

## **DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Niemer had no further comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business Chair Salter adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.



Judy Salter, Chair