

TUCSON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION LEGAL ACTION REPORT

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Tucson Parks & Recreation Commission that the Tucson Parks & Recreation Commission will hold the following meeting, which will be open to the public.

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

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1. Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Beki Quintero at 3:35 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

Chair Beki Quintero, Ward 5 Representative

Vice Chair Manon Getsi, Ward 2 Representative

Commissioner Antonio Ramirez, Ward 1 Representative

Commissioner Darin Gregg, Ward 4 Representative (joined at 3:40 p.m.)

Absent:

Commissioner Maurice Roberts, Ward 6 Representative

Staff Present:

Lara Hamwey, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Greg Jackson, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Dawnee Moreno, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Andi Padilla, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Jasmine Chan, Tucson Parks and Recreation

John Bonillas, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Adrian Jaramillo, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Diana Schroeder, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Sierra Boyer, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Other:

Barbara Jones, Friends of Danny Lopez Park

Debbie Hicks, Friends of Danny Lopez Park

Katie Brown, Constituent

Ellen Parrish, Amphi Neighborhood Association

Ted Mruk, Constituent

Jennifer Shopland, Friends of Rio Vista

2. Approval of Minutes: April 23, 2025 (action item)

There was no discussion.

Motion was made by Vice Chair Manon Getsi duly seconded by Commissioner Antonio Ramirez to accept the April 23, 2025, minutes with the amendment. The motion was approved by a voice vote, 5-0. (There is no representation for Mayor sector)

3. Call to the Audience

At this time, any member of the public is allowed to address the Committee. Speakers are limited to three (3) minute presentations. Pursuant to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, individual Committee members may ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda, or respond to criticism made by speakers. However, the Committee may not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during "call to the audience".

Katie Brown addressed the commission regarding tree planting initiatives and proposed strategies for planning.

Ellen Parrish spoke to the commission with concerns about the potential sale of Amphi Neighborhood Park, noting that the Catholic Diocese chose not to renew its lease.

Ted Mruk spoke to the commission, noting the lack of accessible water near the bocce courts in Himmel Park. Ted Mruk advocated for installation of water service, emphasizing its benefits.

4. Volunteer Re-vegetation Project / Friends of Danny Lopez Park

Barbara Jones, Friends of Danny Lopez Park shared a PowerPoint presentation regarding Danny Lopez Park including a proposal for volunteer-led improvement initiatives at the park.

5. Loma Verde Park

The agenda item was brought forward from the previous Call to the Audience, where concerns were raised about the Alamo Wash Greenway proposal and its potential impact to Loma Verde Park. Department of Transportation and Mobility Project Manager Collin Chesston provided an update on the bike path project.

6. Memorandum for Funding Assistance

The agenda item was carried over from the previous meeting for continued discussion on establishing a subcommittee to support the Parks and Recreation Department with initiatives related to safety, cleanup, and broader community concerns.

Vice Chair Manon Getsi moved, and Commissioner Darin Gregg seconded, to establish a subcommittee to review sanitation requirements and issues in the parks, and to write a letter to Mayor and Council outlining the information with potential recommendations. The motion was approved by a voice vote, 5-0. (There is no representation for Mayor sector)

7. 2025 Summer Pool Schedule and FY26 Schedule

Director Lara Hamwey provided updates on different pool initiatives.

8. FY26/27 Budget

Director Lara Hamwey provided an update on the FY26/27 budget.

9. Reports / Announcements

a. Parks and Recreation Commissioners

Information was provided.

No action was taken.

b. Staff (distributed in meeting packet)

Information was provided on various department programs.

c. Director

There were no additional updates discussed.

No action was taken.

10. Commission Future Agenda Items and Next Meeting Date

a. Future Agenda Items

Items were discussed.

No action was taken.

b. Next Meeting Date:

Wednesday, June 25, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

No action was taken.

c. Location:

Hybrid Format- In-person at the Tucson Parks & Recreation Administration Office, Mesquite Conference Room, 900 S. Randolph Way and Microsoft Teams Virtual

No action was taken.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Motion was made by Vice Chair Manon Getsi duly seconded by Commissioner Robin McArdle to adjourn the meeting. All committee members were in favor of the motion. (There is no representation for Mayor sector)