

**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, January 28, 2026

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1. Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Beki Quintero at 3:34 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

Chair Beki Quintero, Ward 5 Representative- In person attendance

Commissioner Kathy Altman, Ward 3 Representative- In person attendance

Commissioner Darin Gregg, Ward 4 Representative- Virtual attendance

Commissioner Maurice Roberts, Ward 6 Representative- In person attendance

Absent:

Vice Chair Manon Getsi, Ward 2 Representative

Commissioner Antonio Ramirez, Ward 1 Representative

Staff Present:

Lara Hamwey, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Andi Padilla, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Jasmine Chan, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Stephanie Kopplin, Tucson Parks and Recreation

John Bonillas, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Aaron Sanchez, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Orlie Johnson, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Sara Turpen, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Sierra Boyer, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Diana Schroeder, Tucson Parks and Recreation

Other:

Kendall Kroesen, 2018 Parks and Connections Bond Oversight Commission

Sheila Bowden, Friends of Ft. Lowell Park

Jennifer Shopland, Friends of Rio Vista Natural Resource Park

Barbara Jones, Friends of Danny Lopez Park

Debbie Hicks, Friends of Danny Lopez Park

Frank Sotomayor, Constituent

Raul Ramirez, Constituent

Gloria Jean Ramirez, Constituent

Rebecca Glysson, Tucson Clean and Beautiful

Victor Rivera, Constituent

Anthony Neben, Barrio Sin Nombre

Maria Garcia, Constituent

Raphael Lauret, Constituent
Frank Sotomayor
Barbara Sotomayor
Madeleine Golde

2. Approval of Minutes: November 20, 2025 (action item)

Motion was made by Maurice Roberts duly seconded by Commissioner Darin Gregg to accept the November 20, 2025, minutes as presented. The motion was approved by a voice vote, 4-0. (Vice Chair Manon Getsi and Commissioner Antonio Romero was absent. 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".

The commission received comments from Kendall Kroesen, Sheila Bowden, Jennifer Shopland and Barbara Jones regarding the newly implemented initiative, Alliance for Ecological Park Management. The program was developed by the individuals, a group of volunteer partner organizations committed to science based, ecologically appropriate management of parks.

Constituents, Frank Sotomayor and Raul Ramirez spoke to the commission regarding the renaming proposal for the Joaquin Murrieta Park to Salomon R. Baldenegro Park

4. 2025 Annual Report and Attendance Report

Motion was made by Vice Chair Manon Getsi duly seconded by Commissioner Maurice Roberts to accept the November 20, 2025, minutes as presented. The motion was approved by a voice vote, 4-0. (Vice Chair Manon Getsi and Commissioner Darin Gregg was absent. There is no representation for Mayor sector)

5. Capital Projects Presentation

Project Manager Stephanie Kopplin provided a presentation on project updates.

6. Tucson Presidio Trust/Cannon Display

The agenda item is related to a proposed cannon display in Ft. Lowell Park; however, no discussion occurred as the proponent withdrew the proposal.

7. Budget/Fundraising Subcommittee Report

The TPRC subcommittee provided a brief update.

8. TPRD- Caregiver Policy

The agenda item introduced and discussed the department's new "Participant Caregiver and Assistive Support" policy, circulated in prior meeting documentation.

9. Reports / Announcements

- a. Parks and Recreation Commissioners
Information was provided.
- b. Staff (distributed in meeting packet)
Staff shared information on programs and projects.
- c. Director
Director Lara Hamwey provided an update on various initiatives.

10. Commission Future Agenda Items and Next Meeting Date

- a. Future Agenda Items
Items were discussed.
- b. Next Meeting Date:
Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 3:30 p.m.
- c. Location:
Hybrid Format- In-person at the Tucson Parks & Recreation Administration Office, Mesquite Conference Room, 900 S. Randolph Way and Microsoft Teams Virtual

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Maurice Roberts, duly seconded by Commissioner Kathy Altman to adjourn the meeting. All committee members were in favor of the motion. (Vice Chair Manon Getsi and Commissioner Antonio Ramirez was absent. There is no representation for Mayor sector)