



Minutes
Parks, Arts & Recreation Commission Meeting
Wednesday, March 12, 2025
6:00 pm, Yosemite Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Keristofor Seryani, Barbara Jensen, Brent Bohlender, Lupe Aguilera, Rajpreet Sangha, Robert Holly, Shehu Hassan

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Crivelli, Alexa Teixeira, Nichole Fiez

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Seryani at 6:01 pm.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS / INTRODUCTIONS / CORRESPONDENCE:

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Motion made by Vice Chair Bohlender to accept the minutes of the December 11th Regular Meeting. Second by Commissioner Sangha. Motion passed unanimously.

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DISQUALIFICATION:

None

5. STAFF UPDATES:

- A. Staff are updating the Adopt-A-Park applications and reaching out to current groups for interest in their adoption. Staff will be advertising the Adopt-A-Park program through social media once all updates are done.
- B. Columbia Pool is projected to open in April. A date has not been determined yet but once there is a date, the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission will be notified as well as the public of the grand opening and any events that comes with it.
- C. Park rental season started on March 1st and end on October 31st of 2025. The parks requiring reservations include Donnelly Park, Crane Park, Broadway Park and the Pedretti covered picnic area. The lettered areas require reservations at these parks whereas the numbered areas are first come, first serve. All reservations are online through Community Pass and customers can reserve at home on their account or through our front office.
- D. Tournaments at the Pedretti field are occurring every weekend until November 2025. The Sports Complex currently has approximately 8 scheduled tournaments this year.
- E. Concessions at Pedretti is in full effect with an experience concessioner, who has been operating at Pedretti since mid-February 2025. He is operating the concession during games and tournaments and is doing well and gives great support to the facility.

- F. The Annual Vietnam Veterans Ceremony is occurring on March 29th at Public Safety Facility from 10-11am. This is a rain or shine event located in the parking lot. All are welcome to attend in support of those who served.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

7. PUBLIC HEARING:

None

8. SCHEDULED MATTERS:

A. CEAG Presentations

- a. Motion made by Commissioner Jensen to invite the following applicants to present their CEAG applications at the Special meeting on April 9th: Turlock Police Chaplaincy: Turlock Police Chaplaincy Fun Run 2026, Love Turlock: Love Turlock, The Artistic Repertoire Theater Collaboration: Spring Show, Turlock Moms Club: Annual Spring Family Fun Day, Science in Our Community: Junior and Senior Solar Suitcase Camps, Carnegie Arts Center: CAC Block Party, Turlock Historical Society: Turlock Melon Carnival, Kayla Bernardi Bee Positive Foundation: Kayla Bee Positive 11th Annual 5k Fun Run/Walk, Turlock Chamber of Commerce: Chamber Children's Corner, Somar Youth Project: Somar 1st Annual Seeds of Hope Music Festival, The Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East: Assyrian Festival, Stephanie Belly Dance LLC: Breast Cancer Awareness Celebration, , Active Synergy Academy: The California Feast & Flex Turkey Bowl, Ten Pin Fun Center: 2026 Summer Concert Series, The Market Turlock: The Market, The Market Turlock: The Holiday Market, Arrowhead Club: Annual Sports Camp, Arrowhead Club: Annual Arrowhead Basketball Tournament, Turlock Senior Citizens Group -: Dinner Series, Turlock Senior Citizens Group: Hotrods & Hotdogs, Turlock Senior Citizens Group: Open House, Pitman High Band Boosters: Preview of Champions, Pitman High School Cross Country Team: Turlock Heritage Run, Pitman High School Track Team: Lourenco Remembrance Run, Assyrian United Organization of California: 58th Annual Assyrian State Convention: Nineveh Night, Assyrian United Organization of California: 58th Annual Assyrian State Convention: Memorial Day Picnic and Assyrian United Organization of California: 58th Annual Assyrian State Convention: Ishtar Night. Second by Commissioner Sangha. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Motion made by Commissioner Jensen to not invite the following applicants to present their CEAG applications at the Special meeting on April 9th: Alegria Performing Arts Academy & Hey Turlock: Annual Community Downtown Trick or Treat, Family Advocacy Resources and Alliances: Turlock's Día de los Muertos Celebration and Family Advocacy Resources and Alliances: Turlock's Cinco de Mayo. Second by Commissioner Sangha. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Motion made by Commission Chair Seryani to schedule the Special meeting on April 9th at 4:30pm in the Yosemite Conference Room. Second by Commissioner Hassan. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Motion made by Commission Chair Seryani to set presentation time duration to up to 2 minutes each presentation. Second by Commissioner Hassan. Motion passed unanimously.

9. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Keristofer – Thank you all for your hard work and looking forward to the April 9th meeting. Have a great night everyone.

Barbara – As I read the applications, I noticed people had multiple applications. Things to think about is should we recommend the maximum funding on all of their applications or not?

Bob – We recommended what we felt was right and didn't if we felt it was not.

Brent – None

Shehu – Thank you Chair for coming up with the ideas for the next meeting.

Raj – If one group has multiple applications, we should think and talk about that later.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 pm. Motion by Commission Chair Seryani and a Second by Commissioner Jensen.