

Town of Fairfax

Minutes of
Fairfax Parks and Recreation Commission
Monday, May 14, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Youth Center
16 Park Road

PARC Commissioners in attendance: Sisi Parry-Hansen, Sam Parry, Chris Borjian, Alexis Lynch Staff in attendance: Anne Mannes, Recreation & Community Services, Programming; Maria Baird, Recreation & Community Services Manager, Events. Others in attendance: Mimi Newton, Richard Sloan, Katrina Martinez, Huda Al-Jamal, Amir Al-Jamal

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes of the April 9th meeting were approved.

New Business

1. **The Eleven Concert** – Mimi Newton attended the meeting to request a change in date for the Eleven Concert, which was cancelled on April 15th due to rain. The new date is Sunday, June 17th. **ACTION ITEM: Sam made a motion to accept the new date of the subject concert; Alexis seconded, all voted in favor.**
2. **Mural painting for the ball field** – Huda Al-Jamal of Revolution 9, and her son, Amir Al-Jamal, a student at Drake High School, attended the meeting to request permission to re-paint the mural at the ball field. They will be painting the side of the ball field wall adjacent to Fairfax Lumber. Amir showed a conceptual design to the group. He will get more drawings to Maria prior to painting. The painting will be done over the weekend of June 2 & 3rd, and may continue over subsequent weekends. **ACTION ITEM: Sisi made a motion to approve the re-painting of the ball field mural, Alexis seconded, all voted in favor.**
3. **Mural proposal-** Karina Ramirez attended the meeting because she is interested in painting a mural in town. She is also interested in painting some of the recycling/waste bins that are located downtown. She will submit some artwork for approval to PARC, and then attend the June meeting. She is interested in the property at School Street Plaza. Maria replied that Fred Azazi is the owner of that property, and she would have to obtain permission from him, since it is private property. Chris inquired if the space near the entrance to town, near Landsdale, is town owned property. Maria replied she will check. Chris added that perhaps that wall could be a potential mural location, since there is often graffiti painted on it.
4. **Peri Park Playground update-**Anne released the results of the Peri Park Renovation Project survey and shared with the group. A total of 267 people responded to the survey, which was administered by survey monkey. The group

went over the comments, and highlighted the outcome. The areas that will be addressed are surface of the playground, and the replacement of the two playgrounds structures. The majority of those responding preferred sand, followed by a synthetic surface, and then wood chips. In order for the playground to be ADA accessible, wood chips will end up being used. The wood chips that will be used will be engineered wood fiber, and not the types that cause splinters. The order of priority for structures included those that lend to climbing, balancing, and sliding. Many respondents noted the condition of the bathrooms as needing attention. Also, there was a request that the fencing around the park be replaced. Shade was also noted in the responses, as well as the desire for a better water feature. A sub-committee consisting of Richard, Anne, Alexis and Chris was formed. They will meet on Wednesday, May 23rd at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center and then proceed to the park to take measurements and do a walk through.

5. **Fairfax Festival – June 9 & 10**-Maria will staff a table at Ecofest and also circulate around the ball field at the children's area where a PARC booth with literature will be located. Allison Ritter, Festival Coordinator, will be filling the position of Camp Fairfax Director this summer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next meeting will be on June 11th.