MISSION:

- To assist in the preparation and implementation of long-range plans for parks including neighborhood parks, community-wide parks, special use facilities and open space lands;
- To focus public attention upon the need for adequate parks and healthful and creative year-round supervised recreation for all age groups;
- To assist in promoting the public recreation programs;
- To solicit to the fullest extent possible the cooperation of school authorities and other public and private agencies interested therein;
- To assist the Community Services Director in establishing general policies and procedures in respect to park usage;
- To review, comment and make recommendations regarding the annual operating budget of the department;
- To receive periodic reports from the Department head concerning the general operations and functions of the Community Services and Public Works Departments;
- To perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Council.

MEMBERSHIP:

Seven Commissioners and one Alternate Commissioner, serve 4-year terms. Currently serving: Mark Bustillos, Jeff Jones, Stacey Laumann, Mark Machado, Tom Obletz (Chair), Kathryn Reisinger, Nicholas Skewes-Cox, Cicily Emerson (Alternate).

2018 HIGHLIGHTS:

- Participated in the General Plan 2040 and Library Facilities Planning processes.
- Supported the implementation of the Park-A-Month Program.
- Supported the implementation of Summer Movies in the Park series.
- Reviewed and provided recommendations to the City Council on the Measure A annual workplan.
• Reviewed and provided recommendations to the City Council on the Conceptual Design for the Tiscornia Marsh’s restoration
• Dedication of the Victor Jones Playground Renovation project.
• Began construction of the renovation and expansion of the Albert Park Playground
• Supported the City’s efforts to join the World Health Organization’s global network for Age-friendly Cities.
• Supported the inclusion and integration of the City’s special event, film permit and banner application processes into the Community Services Department.
• Supported the integration of the Library and the Community Services Department.

2019 GOALS:

• Continue to assist the City Council in developing and implementing the long-range plans for the City’s park and recreation facility related projects.
• Continue to participate in the General Plan 2040 and Library Facilities Planning processes.
• Continue to monitor current service levels and community needs.
• Continue to review the performance of the City’s partnerships with community-based organizations in the utilization of City’s parks and recreation facilities and the provision of programs and activities.
• Continue to assist the City in the development and revision of general policies and procedures in the delivery of parks, recreation facilities and programs.
• Continue to support the integration of the Library and the Community Services Department.
• Dedication of the Albert Park Playground Renovation project.