



Meeting Minutes

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

5:30 PM City Hall 1201 Leopard St. Basement Training Room.

A. Call To Order/Roll Call

Chair Lindsey called the meeting to order and a quorum was established.

Present: 8 - Linda Lindsey, Adam Rios, Thomas Cronnon, Joe De La Paz, Jay N. Gardner, Mark Borgeson, Jeremy Berry, and James Lehnert

Absent: 2 - George Woods, and Ariana Jones

B. Public Comment

Shirin Delsooz, District 5, addressed the Committee and spoke to trail connectivity (3-mile route) through Brockhampton Park. She believes that constructing a trail through the park would provide traffic relief around Staples Street/Saratoga Boulevard, especially during weekday mornings/afternoons when children are being picked up from nearby schools. She believes creating a trail (shortcut) through the park will provide safer/faster options of travel by connecting neighborhoods; is beneficial/logical as it would connect access to schools, a public library and commercial nodes.

C. Approval to Excuse Absences: George Woods, Joan Wolfe and Joe De La Paz

A motion to approve the absences listed above was made by Jay Gardner and it was seconded by Mike Lehnert. The motion passed.

D. Approval of Minutes

1. [25-0339](#) PRAC Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2025

A motion was made by Jay Gardner to approve the minutes listed above and it was seconded by Joe De La Paz. The motion passed.

E. Director's Report

2. [25-0340](#) Parks & Recreation Updates for December 2025

Robert Dodd, Director of Parks & Recreation, updated the Committee on the following items:

- Marina Projects
- Beach & All Terrain Wheelchairs
- 2026 TRAPS Conference

- Sherrill Park
- Rancho Vista Park Playground
- Amenities for Special Populations

F. Unfinished Business for Discussion or Possible Action

3. [25-1571](#) Resolution for Expanding Operating Hours at Bill Witt Aquatic Center

At the last meeting in October, Chair Lindsey requested Staff provide budget data for the personnel (Recreation Coordinators/Lifeguards) during their recommended alternative schedules. Based on PRAC's recommendations regarding operating hours during Spring Break, Staff believes it is not feasible to open the recreational pool but it may be more feasible for the lap pool. Staff also provided recovery cost data to assist PRAC with their recommendation regarding utilization fees.

In preparation for this agenda item, Chair Lindsey and Vice Chair Cronnon provided draft recommendations for the Committee's deliberation. After analyzing Staff's data, the Committee agreed upon the following recommendations:

Recommendation #1:

That the Bill Witt Aquatic Center remain open for lap swimming during the Winter Season on Monday through Friday from 6:00 am to 9:00 am.

Recommendation #2:

That a utilization fee be charged for access to all pools open for either lap or recreational swimming during the Winter Season to assist in cost recovery for the extended hours and that payment of this fee shall grant access to any pool open on the same day.

Recommendation #3:

That the Parks and Recreation Department explore the possibility of a system wide "Monthly Pass" or "Season Pass" for individuals who would utilize the facilities extensively during the Winter Season.

Recommendation #4:

That the Bill Witt Aquatic Center be included in the Spring Break lap pool schedule for 2026 and beyond and that, during Spring Break week, open swim hours should be free to the public.

Recommendation #5:

Beginning the first weekend of April 2026, the lap pool at Bill Witt will be open during weekends to include Saturday and Sunday, 11:00 am to 5:00 pm, weather permitting, until regular summer hours begin during Memorial Day weekend.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Cronnon to approve the initial recommendations listed above and it was seconded by Jeremy Berry. The motion passed. For the next meeting in

December, the Committee plans to finalize their recommendations upon a second reading based on an official Staff response.

G. Committee Liaison & Subcommittee Reports

Grant Subcommittee - Jay Gardner mentioned that he met with the PARD Grant Coordinator and discussed upcoming initiatives for a trail at Bill Witt Park.

ISAC - Jay Gardner: He stated that with the upcoming approval of the Island Mobility Plan in January, PRAC could also incorporate components of the Plan to assist with Strategic Planning for trails.

Mark Borgeson updated the Committee on the upcoming Sports Facilities Companies (SFC) Sports Feasibility Presentation sessions.

H. Future Agenda Items

- 2026 Bond Recommendations
- 2026 PRAC Meeting Calendar
- PRAC 2025 Annual Report

I. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.