



City of Los Angeles - Department of Recreation and Parks
MacArthur Park Community Center Park Advisory Board
Tuesday, December 20, 2022
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, Marco Pacheco- Chair
, Evelyn Balderas- Co-Chair
, Angelique Lara- Secretary
, Jennifer Gill
, Deann Placencia

Welcome and introduction

1. Roll call-call to order at 5:06

Staff Reports: Stephanie Galvez

1. Report on youth programs, special events, volunteer programs, park, and facility updates.

- a. Winter Classes/Sports

- i. Winter classes Starts on January 7th
- ii. The lower division Soccer leagues games will play in house.
- iii. Upper soccer division will play games out of house.
- iv. Not enough upper division enrollment to play in house.
- v. Upper division soccer has been extended to age 17
- vi. little Dribblers will be Saturdays and between the ages of 3-5.
- vii. Little Kickers will be receiving a jersey.

- b. After School Club

There are currently 18 enrolled students that are starting in January. This is the highest enrollment.

- c. Holiday Info

- i. Christmas Giveaway
- ii. Marco made comment on organized the event was.

- d. Construction Update

- i. Fencing has gone up on Parkview and Wilshire area, and it has now been closed off.
- ii. irrigation will start in January of 2023.

- e. Hope and Peace Park- Play Structure

- i. Funding was found from West Lake south. The funding has been put aside.
- ii. It was mentioned that 75 kids attend that park

- a. The Park is opened from 9am to 5pm

- b. Older kids are still playing basketball in the park.

2. A person set up a fire which resulted in burning down the playground.

3. Stephanie made note to Lead officer Lucy Gras that if any officers see graffiti to contact her (Stephanie) about graffiti or unwanted activity in the Hope and Peace Park. -She can send in request to maintenance.



4. Officer Gras made note that she would like to see more recreational activities within the park.
5. Stephanie made note to let the surrounding community of Hope a peace park to forward all concerns of graffiti and homeless to all McArthur Park.
6. LAPD used to lock up Hope and Peace Park but stop because no one was there to open the park
7. As of today, there are no encampments at Hope and Peace Park. 18th street graffiti is now there, and brand-new graffiti is present.
8. Stephanie needs to speak with supervision about maintenance opening the Hope and Peace Park for the day.
9. Measure A funds have been approved from replacement of playgrounds and CD1 was approved for plans
 - a. Waiting upon new councilwoman, Stephanie is not sure of how transition and distribution of funding will play out also.
10. Officer Lucy Gras made note Hope and Peace Park needs graffiti removal, and the bathroom needs rehabilitation.

f. Issues/Concerns

- i. Stephanie makes note she is still dealing with unauthorized permits and amplified sound
- ii. Stephanie wants to make sure that new area and grass is kept clean
- iii. Carlos Diaz makes note that on Wilshire and Parkview a concerned gentleman did speak to him about a clergyman that's operating with amplified sound. The problem is ongoing.
- iv. From the Los Angeles city Attorney office- Kurt Knecht
 1. Presented the violation resulting from amplified sound in the park
 - a. Ticket Violation/ Misdemeanor
 - b. State attorney hearing (If problem continues)

Agenda Items: New Business

1. LAPD updates/questions-

- a. The crime in the area has gone down.
- b. Tagging- has been bought up to gang unit. On Alvarado there was another incident, but investigation is ongoing.
- c. Alvarado street is the highest area of crime.
- d. The drinking of Alcohol has stem down.
- e. Officer Diaz gives notes on the Community engagement with Guatemalans.
 - i. The parade was about 20-35 floats decorated floats starts off 6th and Lucas to Layette.



2. The Three 2023 Goals proposals from the PAB Board

Jennifer Gil	She would like to see a boat house and the boats come back to the lake side of the park.
Deann Placencia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. She states that she would like to see community art programs and events for the local artist to showcase their art in the park. 2. She also would like to see community resource fairs that offer free health care services to the community. 3. Her last goal that she would like to see multicultural fare during the summer.
Evelynn Balderas	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. She would like to see an onsite painting workshop. 2. Her second option is to have a clean the park day for all ages. 3. Her last suggestion is to have 5K Park run to promote physical activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Officer Vargas mentions that teens are seeking volunteer programs for hours and that LAPD can offer help with that idea.
Marco Pacheco	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. He has suggested bringing an awareness to the large population of bird species at the park. Including signage of birds, and how they tied into cultural to the area. 2. He has also suggested that he would like to see different cultures come together and bring their traditions together for a cultural event. 3. His last suggest is that he would like to see more of the film industry involved in the park. Which resulting revenue would help rehabilitate the park.
Stephanie Galvez	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Her first proposal is that she would like to see programming at Hope and Peace Park. Also including partnering with the neighborhood council to ask for donations. 2. She would like to see an increase of participants in the programs. She states she wants to see kids active rather doing other things.



	<p>3. Her made note that there are more boy programs than girls. She suggests that she would like to have a dance class offered after pavilion is done.</p> <p>*Office Gras made note that each year girls interest change. She mentions surveying to find out what interest are.</p>
Officer Diaz	His goal is to continue to keep up the park's integrity, safety, and health.
Angelique Lara	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Her first suggestion is to have a teenage program for teenagers to give back to their community. 2. Her second suggestion is to have a once-a-month community food bank. 3. Her last suggest is that she would like to see more community involvement programs. For example, she suggested a movie night or a multicultural fare.

Community Comments:

1. Public comments for items on the agenda. 2 minutes maximum per speaker.
2. New business, recommendations for future agenda items.
3. ADJOURNMENT. 6:16 pm
4. **Next meeting: 1st quarter- February 6th 5pm**

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