

**City of Glendale  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Meeting  
Glendale Municipal Office Complex  
5850 W. Glendale Avenue, B3**

**May 11, 2015  
6:00 p.m.**

## **AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Approval of Minutes – April 13, 2015**
- IV. Business from the Floor**

Summary: If citizens wish to speak on a matter concerning the Glendale Parks and Recreation Commission that is not on the printed agenda, please complete a "Citizen Comment Card" located at the entrance of the room and provide it to the designated staff person prior to the beginning of the meeting. Once your name is called by the Commission Chairperson, please proceed to the podium, state your name and address for the record, and limit your comments to a period of five minutes or less.

- V. Martin Art Center – 20 minutes**

Summary: The Martin Art Center is a non-profit organization that provides a "STEM" based education and exploration center with a focus on incorporating art as a means to explore Science, Technology, Engineering and Math simultaneously. Martin Art Center proposes to offer daily year-round, daytime, after-school and summer programs at the Community Center North. Examples of program content include reading, guitar, poetry and literature, performing and cultural arts, computer literacy, and "STEM" based programs. Their programming is highly adaptable to all demographics, including pre-K, children, and parents, children with special needs, teen groups, after-school, young adults, and community based groups.

Recommendation: This request is for Commission discussion and to provide direction as to the viability of engaging the Martin Art Center for daytime, after-school, and evening programming at the Community Center North.

- VI. Request to Improve Surfacing Around the Fruit Packing Shed – 10 minutes**

Summary: Staff was recently approached with an opportunity to use City Council District Improvement Funds to construct a "wrap around" style walking path/porch at the Fruit Packing Shed in Historic Sahuaro Ranch Park. Each year, District Improvement funds in the amount of \$15,000 are afforded to each Councilmember (the Mayor does not receive them) for special projects that benefit the public. They must be expended in the Fiscal Year in which they are budgeted.

Recommendation: Review, discuss and approve a request to improve the surfacing around the Fruit Packing Shed at the Sahuaro Ranch Historic Area.

**VII. Commission Goals; Summer Meeting Schedule – 15 minutes**

Summary: During the Commission retreat in August, staff facilitated a discussion with the Commission about its direction, goals and role in working within the parks system for the upcoming fiscal year. The Commission proposed seven goals which were reviewed and finalized for FY 15. The purpose of this item is to provide the Commission with an opportunity to review and discuss the goals contained in its FY15 work plan and related accomplishments, initiate a discussion to establish a meeting date and venue for the FY16 Commission goal setting and work plan, and identify probable topics to be discussed during goal setting retreat.

Recommendation: For information and discussion.

**VIII. Staff Updates– 15 minutes**

Summary: The Parks and Recreation staff will share information with the Commission on key activities since its last meeting. This will also include the sharing of information related to previous requests of the Commission and an update on future department and city events that may be of interest.

Recommendation: For information and discussion.

**IX. Commission Comments – 5 minutes**

Summary: This is an opportunity for the Commission to share any observations or comments it may have. Staff will follow-up as appropriate.

Recommendation: For discussion.

**X. Adjournment**

The next regular meeting will be held on June 8, 2015, at 6:00pm at Glendale Municipal Office Complex, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, B3.



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