PARKS & RECREATION
CITY OF EL PASO

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

WEDNESDAY, June 10th, 2026, AT 4:00 P.M.
City 3 – 801 Texas Ave., 79901 – Thorman Conference Room

Minutes

Members Present: (7)
District 1 – Ben Wilbanks
District 2 – Daniel Collins
District 3 – Michael Adjemian
District 4 – Benjamin Avalos
District 5 – Luis Terrazas
District 6 – Timothy Haddox
District 7 – Marcella Carrillo (Chair)

Members Absent: (2)
Mayor – Deborah Zuloaga
District 8 – Ricardo Bustamante

City Staff Present
Pablo Caballero, Director
Emigdio Gonzalez, Assistant Director
Carlos Rodriguez, Recreation Manager
Alondra Navarrete, Office Manager
Brenda Romero, Recreation Programs Manager
Susana Arroyo, Rec. & Sports Coordinator

City Attorney – Legal
Roberto Aguinaga, Assistant City Attorney

Public Present
Carlos Molina
Marisol Ramirez
Bertha Adjemian

- **Call to Order**

  Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:58 P.M.

  Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair, did a roll call.

- **Call to the Public (Parks and Recreation-related, non-agenda items):**

Carlos Molina spoke to the Board regarding access, lane allocation, and management concerns at the Eastside Natatorium.

Motion by Marcella Carrillo to accept supporting documentation from Mr. Carlos Molina related to the subject discussed, seconded by Benjamin Avalos.

AYES: Ben Wilbanks, Daniel Collins, Michael Adjemian, Benjamin Avalos, Luis Terrazas, Timothy Haddox, Marcella Carrillo
NAYS:
ABSENT: Deborah Zuloaga, Ricardo Bustamante

Motion passes.

- **Public Comment (for items on the agenda):**

No members of the public were present to discuss items on this month's meeting agenda.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of May 13th, 2026 – Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair

Motion by Marcella Carrillo to accept the May 13th, 2026, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board minutes as written, seconded by Daniel Collins.

AYES: Daniel Collins, Benjamin Avalos, Luis Terrazas, Timothy Haddox, Marcella Carrillo
NAYS:
ABSTAIN: Ben Wilbanks, Michael Adjemian
ABSENT: Deborah Zuloaga, Ricardo Bustamante

Motion passes.

2. **Presentation & Discussion:** On Club Rec Summer Camp – Susana Arroyo, Recreation & Sports Coordinator

Susana Arroyo, Recreation & Sports Coordinator, spoke to the Board alongside a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Department's 2026 Club Rec Summer Camp program.

Board members had questions and comments that were addressed by Ms. Arroyo.

3. **Discussion & Action:** On Nomination and Election of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Vice-Chair – Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair

Alondra Navarrete, Office Manager, informs the Board that during the period of time that their City Representatives were assigning appointees, the member who had previously been the Board

Vice-Chair had not been reappointed to their district. As such, the position was in need of filling, and the members were encouraged to nominate themselves or other members (if consented) to the position.

Motion by Michael Adjemian to nominate and elect Benjamin Avalos to become the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Vice-Chair, seconded by Ben Wilbanks.

AYES: Ben Wilbanks, Daniel Collins, Michael Adjemian, Benjamin Avalos, Luis Terrazas, Timothy Haddox, Marcella Carrillo
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Deborah Zuloaga, Ricardo Bustamante

Motion passes.

4. **Discussion & Action:** On the preparation, submittal, and presentation of an annual report of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to City Council – Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair

   Alondra Navarrete, Office Manager, informs the Board that per the City's new Boards and Commissions Bylaws, all boards and commissions now have to present an annual report to City Council by Aug. 1st, 2026.

   Luis Terrazas volunteered to be the liaison who will represent the Board in working with the Parks and Recreation Department to draft this report.

   Possible topics and plans of action were discussed, and it was decided that a draft would be presented to the Board in July for their review and approval before submitting to Council.

   No action required at this time.

Adjournment: 4:33 p.m.