



**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF NORCO**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS-2820 CLARK AVENUE**  
**MARCH 8, 2010**

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1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hallam at 6:30 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL  
Chair Hallam, Commissioners Boyle, Holder, Adams  
Absent: Vice Chair Wagner  
Staff: Superintendent Anglin, Supervisor Calvert, Lt. Cooper; Deputy City Clerk Germain
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Commissioner Boyle
4. PRESENTATION/S  
A. None
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: **None**
6. ACTION ITEMS:  
A. Tobacco-Free Parks Ordinance – Superintendent Anglin

Superintendent Anglin presented this report to the Commission, giving some background information regarding previous attempts to establish tobacco free parks, including at Wayne Makin/Shearer Sports Complex.

Superintendent Anglin asked the Commission for some feed back to be shared with the UNLOAD Committee prior to recommendation to the City Council.

Commission Member Adams shared discussions from a recent UNLOAD meeting. She also shared that the Norco High School group called “Saturday Night Lights” have cleaned some of the Norco parks and have found over 1000 cigarette butts. Commission Member Adams emphasized the importance of this issue as it relates to the health of the youths of our community.

Commission Member Boyle stated he is in support to promote healthy lifestyle and recreation for our youth. He agreed that signage at the parks will put more emphasis on this issue.

Commission Member Holder is also in agreement stating that signage will help promote healthy habits and no smoking in front of children.

In response to Chair Hallam, Superintendent Anglin stated this ordinance does include George Ingalls Equestrian Event Center but it would be up to the Commission to make suggestions or changes to the ordinance such as designated smoking areas at Ingalls and Silverlakes.

Lt Cooper stated that his department is in support of this ordinance. He asked for clarification on the type of tobacco included, smoking and/or chew, and suggested that the ordinance be very specific on locations or areas that may not be affected as they will enforce it at all parks including Ingalls and Silverlakes.

Discussion ensued regarding the "Prohibitions" and "Penalties" of this ordinance. It was mentioned that the carrying of tobacco in ones shirt pocket should not necessarily be an offense.

Commission Member Adams suggested that the ordinance should include designated smoking areas at the Ingalls Center and not at all parks as most are geared to youth activities.

Public Comments:

Nick Ferrari, Norco Mounted Posse: Mr. Ferrari is in favor of the ordinance. He stated concerns about restrictions at Ingalls Park and Nellie Weaver Hall and added that Silverlakes property should also be dealt with differently. He agreed that the bleachers should be designated as a non-smoking area.

Discussion continued.

Superintendent Anglin reviewed the following changes to the ordinance based on discussions with the Commission Members:

"9.90.020 Definitions:

For the purpose of this chapter, the following words are defined:

*Keep only the following sections*

H. **Public Park** means any park area and any public building within the park area to which the public is invited or in which the public is permitted.

K. **Smoking** shall be defined as carrying or holding of a lighted pipe, cigar or cigarette, or any other lighted smoking product or equipment used to burn any tobacco products, weed, plant or combustible substance. Smoking includes emitting or exhaling the fumes of any pipe, cigar, cigarette, or any other lighted smoking equipment used for burning any tobacco product, weed, plant or any combustible substance.

M. **Tobacco product** shall be defined as any substance containing tobacco leaf, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, dipping tobacco, bidis, or any other preparation of tobacco.

9.90.030 Prohibitions:

*Change "H" to "A"; add "B"*

A. Smoking of tobacco products shall be prohibited at public parks and public buildings within a public park.

B. Exceptions: Only in designated areas at George Ingalls Equestrian Event Center (language to be provided by City Attorney, John Harper)

9.90.050 Violation and Penalties:

*Strike the words "an infraction" from Section A to read as follows:*

A. Except as otherwise provided, a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be punishable pursuant to Section 1.04.010 (Amended by Ord. 765, December 2000)

**M/S HALLAM/ADAMS** to forward changes to UNLOAD for review.

**AYES: HALLAM, BOYLE, HOLDER, ADAMS**

**NOES: NONE**

**ABSENT: WAGNER**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

B. Youth Sports Update – Supervisor Calvert

Supervisor Calvert presented this report to the Commission. She shared that this past Saturday's opening event for the Norco Little League was well attended; everyone in attendance enjoyed meeting the special guest, four-time All Star pitcher, Tommy John.

Supervisor Calvert stated the changes to the Norco Girls Softball League Opening Day ceremonies scheduled Saturday, March 13, 2010. The pancake breakfast is now to be served from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and the opening ceremony will begin at 8:00 a.m. instead of 9:00 a.m. She shared that the special guest will be Pepper Paire Davis, short-stop and catcher for the 1944 All American Girls Professional Baseball League.

Supervisor Calvert passed out an updated flyer inviting the Commission Member to join the festivities.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 8, 2010 – **Approved the minutes of the meeting as written; Commission Member Adams abstained from approving the minutes as she was absent on February 8, 2010.**

9. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT – ITEMS 9.1. – 9.12: **Received and Filed.**

10. CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ITEMS:

- A. Accept Bids, Award Contract and Appropriate Additional Funds for the Community Center Parking Lot Expansion and Hamner Avenue Improvements Project. **Approved – 5-0**
- B. Acceptance of Bids and Award of Contract for the Ingalls Park Design/Build of Equestrian Arena Cover. **Approved – 5-0**
- C. Acceptance of the Scout House Building Repair Project as Complete. **Approved – 5-0**
- D. Approval of Community Fair Organization- Approval of a Community Fair Organization and allow staff to negotiate the terms of an agreement. **Approved 4-1 / Sullivan Abstained**

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**M/S HOLDER/HALLAM** to approve the Consent Calendar

**AYES: HALLAM, BOYLE, HOLDER, ADAMS**

**NOES: NONE**

**ABSENT: WAGNER**

11. COMMISSION ONGOING BUSINESS

A. Ingalls Park:

Superintendent Anglin stated that the project is proceeding to the second phase.

B. Animal Shelter Expansion: **None**

C. Silverlakes/Belstarr: **None**

D. Ridge Ranch Park : **None**

E. U.N.L.O.A.D. Program - Update, Supervisor Calvert:

Supervisor Calvert shared with the Commission that the UNLOAD Spring Awareness Committee had finalized the title of the event as “Spring into Awareness: The Power of Prevention”. Donation letters have been sent out requesting for food, beverage and monetary donations. She stated that this event will be free to the public therefore no fee will be charged for vendor/information booths participation. The event is scheduled for May 20, 2010.

F. Norco Hills Conservancy: **None**

G. Norconian Foundation: **None**

12. DISCUSSION OF REMOVED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS: **None**

13. OTHER MATTERS

A. Volunteer Community Clean-Up Day Sponsored by LDS Church –Director Petree, Commissioner Adams:

Commission Member Adams gave an overview of the event. She stated they are hopeful to attract many volunteers for the May 8<sup>th</sup> event. Clean up work is to take place on both sides of the river bed; it most likely will be weed abatement due to the large amount of rains lately. She says the group is in contact with NHA for assistance for either funds and/or supplies. In response to inquiries, she share that most volunteers will have own gloves, boots, etc. The LDS group will furnish trash bags. More details to follow.

B. Community Fair Update – Director Petree:

In Director Petree's absence, Chair Hallam stated that the new Fair Committee had a great turn out at their first meeting. That all chair positions have been filled and is having their second meeting tonight. He feels that this decision by the Council has been well received by the community at large.

14. ADJOURNMENT

**M/S BOYLE/HOLDER** to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. to the next Commission meeting on Monday, April 12, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

**AYES: ADAMS, BOYLE, HALLAM, HOLDER,**

**NOES: NONE**

**ABSENT: WAGNER**

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**Diane Germain**  
**Deputy City Clerk**

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