

CITY OF TUSTIN  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

**MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 16, 2011  
C.I.P. WORKSHOP 4:00 P.M.  
Clifton C. Miller Community Center Auditorium

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4:00 P.M.            1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioners Present    2. ROLL CALL  
Chairperson Don Ropele; Chairperson Pro Tem Erin Moore; and  
Commissioners Ken Eckman, Ken Henderson, and Amy Nakamoto

Commissioners Absent        None

Others Present            David A. Wilson, Director  
Chad Clanton, Superintendent  
Sharon Cebrun, Recording Secretary  
Susan Ewing, Parks & Recreation Office Support Specialist  
Michelle McCoy, Tustin Resident and TELL Board Member

3. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WORKSHOP

The purpose of the CIP Workshop is to review the current Parks Seven-Year Capital Improvement Program Priority List and make adjustments and modifications as necessary in an effort to ensure that the needs of the residents are being met and the City's parks and recreation facilities are in good operating condition.

The Commissioners reviewed last year's priority list, noting that the playground renovations at Laurel Glen Park and Magnolia Tree Park have been completed, and the playground renovation at Centennial Park will have been completed by the end of this fiscal year, as scheduled. Also completed was the renovation of the playground at the Tustin Family & Youth Center, utilizing CDBG Funds.

Again this fiscal year, due to the current economic conditions, park development funds are limited. The Commission reviewed the priority list and ranked the projects into four categories: critical, essential desirable and those that need further review.

Staff's recommendations for the 2011-12 FY included the refinement of the Tustin Legacy Park Master Plan; the renovation of the Columbus Tustin Playground as a fully accessible playground; and the renovation of Tustin Sports Park Ball Diamond #2. These would all be accomplished using Park Development Funds. Staff further recommended the Frontier Park Handball Court be replaced with fitness

machines and funded with available CDBG Funds.

Director Wilson informed the Commission that other funds may become available from the Federal Government or possibly from grants. As these types of funds become available, some of the smaller projects on the priority list, such as the Clifton C. Miller Community Center Kitchen Remodel, may be moved up to take advantage of them.

There are also projects on the priority list, such as the TFYC Addition/Acquisition and the Southwest Park Site Acquisition, that require location and funding and should be left on the list so they can be initiated when the opportunities become available.

The Tustin Sports Park Multi-Purpose Fields Renovation will not be funded in FY 2011-12. The \$2.5 Million estimated cost is not available, and the type of surface needs to be reviewed.

Discussion followed regarding Tustin Sports Park Diamond #2. Director Wilson provided history on its design, stating that when the park was originally developed, the design of the ball fields was changed and Diamond #2 was redesigned for use by older, high school aged players. It has consistently had issues with quality and condition of the surface and needs to be redone.

Michelle McCoy, of Tustin Eastern Little League spoke to the Commission regarding her concerns for the condition of Diamond #2 and the percentage of use by non-residents. She also expressed an interest in the opportunity for organizations that use the field to make contributions toward improvements.

Staff responded that the issues raised were operational and could be better addressed by staff and brought to the Commission at a regular meeting.

The Commission requested staff to bring to the March 16, 2011 Regular Commission Meeting a draft Parks Seven-Year CIP Priority List, incorporating their recommended revisions, for approval.

Workshop was  
adjourned at  
5:30 p.m.

1. ADJOURNMENT

The Workshop was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. to the Regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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Don Ropele  
Chairperson

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Sharon Cebrun  
Recording Secretary