



**MEETING MINUTES
VENTURA COUNTY
PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION (PAC)
REGULAR MEETING**

PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION
800 South Victoria Avenue, L#5140
Ventura, California 93009-1030

Government Center
Hall of Administration, Atlantic Conference Room
800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA
January 13, 2025
4:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
Proceedings called to order at 4:00 p.m.
 2. ROLL CALL
Commissioners: Carin Kally, Greg Barnes, Bruce Thomas, Harold Schneider
PAC Staff: Colter Chisum, Jeri Cooper, Chad Bowie, Linda Cruz
 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Kally presides as Chair. Minutes of the October 21, 2024, PAC meeting were approved by a motion made by Thomas, seconded by Schneider. All in favor.
 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None
 5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Ojai Valley Trail Repaving – Construction started 10/14/24
Phase I will complete in 2 weeks. Phase II in progress Santa Ana Blvd to Hermosa.
Fencing to be reinstalled at intersections only.
 - B. Emma Wood Bridge Construction and Emma Wood State Beach Access
Construction start estimated summer 2025. Access will be limited to emergency vehicles only.
 - C. Nyeland Acres Community Center and Park Improvements
Final design completed after public outreach. 2-1/2 yrs to completion of facility.
 - D. Soule Park Pickleball – City of Ojai Partnership – Grand opening was held on 9/20/24
Courts are popular and busy.
 6. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Soule Park revisioning Update – RV's not being considered further at this time
Phase I tree planting on track this spring. Dog park improvements planned.
 - B. Dennison and Tapo canyon – Campground Improvement Projects
Day use area improvements at Dennison. Additional RV sites design concept possible upon preliminary internal funding approval.
 - C. Punta Gorda Lot – Agreement with Caltrans to allow County to manage lot for RV camping
Verbally approved by CalTrans. Possibility to start reservations later this year for 48 sites.
 - D. Foster Park Storm Recovery – Phase III Update
Currently under contract for design. Initial concept for final phase will be presented this month.
Approximately one year from completion.

E. Final Rent and Fee Proposed Change Review

Smallest proposed fee increase in past five years. No ordinance changes this year. Barnes motioned that the Parks Advisory Commission endorse the proposed changes to Parks Rent and Fee Schedule as presented. All in favor.

7. STAFF COMMENTS

Chisum thanked the Commissioners for feedback.

Cooper announced award received from the California Parks & Recreation District 8 for design of Warring Park National Demonstration Playground as well as utilization of Probation Work Release Program

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Schneider inquired about the status of Linda Parks Park. Completion anticipated within a month.

Thomas inquired about the status of the Oak Park renovation. Drawings should be completed next month. Spring wobble playground features will be removed.

Kally and Schneider announced that they will be reappointed to this commission.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.