



*Parks, Recreation and
Neighborhood Services*

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Kent Campbell - District 8
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Minutes

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

5:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

- Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Annie Wong.
- Annie Wong provided meeting logistics information.
- Commissioner Villarreal absent.

II. Public Comment

(Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any discussion item and/or during open forum; the time limit is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. Speakers using a translator will be given twice the time allotted to ensure non-English speakers receive the same opportunity to directly address the Committee, Board or Commission).

- None

III. Announcements

(Commissioners are invited to share details on upcoming or previous events that are within the purview of the Parks and Recreation Commission. Items requiring further discussion or action from the Commission may not be presented here.)

- None

IV. Announcements of Conflict of Interest

- None

V. Consent Calendar

- A. Approve the February 4, 2026 Minutes
- B. Approve the February 4, 2026 Attendance Report
- C. Receive and File correspondence to Commission

Documents Filed: (1) February 4, 2026 Minutes, (2) Attendance Report for February 4, 2026.

Action: Commissioner Singh motioned to approve the February 4, 2026 Minutes and Attendance Report which was seconded by Commissioner Campbell. The motion carried (8-0-1-2). Absent: Villarreal. Abstain: Morrow and Snider.

VI. Reports and Information Only

A. Chair, Giavanna Vega

- Shared that she is a board member of the Latino Alumni Network at SJSU and they're hosting their legacy dinner on April 2, 2026. She acknowledges that the commission's networking resources helps uplift the community.
- Thanked the commission for their patience with her as Chair and acknowledges the commission's collaboration efforts to support their communities.
- Adding items to agenda will require commission vote.

B. Andrea Flores Shelton, Assistant Director, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS)

- Distributed the Director's Report handout and mentioned highlights.
- Noted that there is a stipend available to commissioners. Details will be sent out to the commission.
- The Clerk's Office is still working on the memo to include religious holidays on the excused absence list and said the Director's Office can make the determination in the meantime. The upcoming PRC meeting on April 1, 2026 will be considered a religious holiday (Passover) and commissioners can be excused for observing the holiday.

- PRNS will include a parks improvement section to the Director's Report to provide updates on projects happening in PRNS. Andrea presented a slide show that outlined projects that have occurred over the last 6 months.

C. Council Liaison, Councilmember Domingo Candelas

- None

D. County Parks Commission Liaisons, Commissioner Roxanne Koopman

- None

Staff and Organizations

E. i. PRNS Urban Forestry Program Overview

Documents Filed: (1) Memo from Avi Yotam, Deputy Director, PRNS, dated February 16, 2026.

Kallie Schloemann, Assistant Arborist, PRNS presented.

Chair Vega opened the item for public comment.

Public Comments:

- None.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions.

VII. New and Returning Business

A. Recommendation to Adopt a Park Master Plan and Official Name for a Future Park along Rinconada Drive

Documents Filed: (1) Memo from Jon Cicirelli, Director, PRNS; Matt Loesch, Director, Department of Public Works, dated February 20, 2026; (2) PowerPoint Presentation

Han-Lei Wang, Associate Landscape Architect, PRNS; Darrick Nguyen, Associate Engineer, PW, presented.

Chair Vega opened the item for public comment.

Public Comments:

- Gerrye Wong spoke about Bill Kee's legacy and thanked the commission for their consideration to name the park "Bill Kee Park".

- Kimberly Eng Lee spoke about Bill Kee's legacy and thanked the commission for their consideration to name the park "Bill Kee Park".
- Lina Broydo spoke about Bill Kee's legacy and support for naming the park "Bill Kee Park".
- Connie Young Yu commented on Asian American history and support for naming the park "Bill Kee Park".

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Commissioner Morrow motioned to accept the Recommendation to Adopt a Park Master Plan and accept staff recommendation for "Bill Kee Park" as the Official Name for a Future Park along Rinconada Drive, which was seconded by Commissioner Brennan. The motion was carried (10-0-1) Absent: Villareal.

B. Kelley Park Improvement Plan

Documents Filed: (1) Memo from Jon Cicirelli, Director, PRNS; Matt Loesch, Director, Department of Public Works, dated February 20, 2026; (2) PowerPoint Presentation

Han-Lei Wang, Associate Landscape Architect, PRNS; Esther Ang, Engineer II, PW, presented.

Chair Vega opened the item for public comment.

Public Comments: None

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Commissioner Morrow motioned to accept the Kelley Park Improvement Plan, which was seconded by Commissioner Brennan. The motion was carried (10-0-1) Absent: Villareal.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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The foregoing minutes were approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission on April 1, 2026.

Giavanna Vega, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission