



## Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes

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### Zoom Webinar – Pleasanton, CA November 18, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Deckert who then reviewed the rules for public participation in the meeting while following suspension of provisions of the Brown Act as proclaimed in the State of Emergency due to COVID-19.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

#### Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Steve Berberich, Sadie Brown, Joanie Fields, Ramesh Immadi, Michael Vickers, and Chairperson Chuck Deckert.

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Mary Hekl

Staff Present: Heidi Murphy, Library & Recreation Director; Michele Crose, Assistant Library & Recreation Director; Giacomina Damonte, Parks Superintendent; and Anna Pawlak, Office Manager. (Transcribing by Edith Caponigro, Recording Secretary).

#### **AGENDA AMENDMENTS**

Ms. Murphy asked that the words “City Council Approve” be removed from the heading of Item 4 since after rereading the agreement she had determined going to council for approval was not required.

#### **MINUTES**

- 1. Approve regular meeting minutes of October 14, 2021.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Fields, seconded by Chairperson Deckert, to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 14, 2021. **The motion was approved.** Commissioner Berberich indicated he did not approve of the minutes because some dialogue from the meeting was not reflected in the minutes, and he believed the minutes were incomplete and inaccurate.

## **MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

### **2. Introductions/Awards/Recognitions/Presentations - Lifetime Activities Programs and Services Updates**

Ms. Murphy introduced commissioners to John Vest, Chief Operating Officer for Lifetime Activities.

Mr. Vest then introduced Ali Khadem, Chief Activities Officer and Diana May, General Manager for Pleasanton Tennis Park and advised that they would be providing an update on services provided at the tennis park, bocce ball court, and the Pleasanton Middle School gym. He reviewed with commissioners a PowerPoint presentation providing some background information on Lifetime Activities, discussed their primary function in management and programming and the programs being offered to the community for all ages and levels.

Mr. Vest reviewed a quarterly tennis report for July/August/September showing numbers of 578 participants for July and August 523 for September, discussed the open-play experience, and noted that there has always been robust participation at the tennis park, however certain changes were required with COVID regulations. Summer tennis and activities camps were offered, especially single-week camps, unfortunately indoor activities such as badminton could not be held. Because tennis is a sport players play at a distance from each other Lifetime was able to partner with USTA to promote the sport as a safe sport.

Information was provided about blending lines on court 10 so Pickleball could be played, which is a game surging in popularity. Pickleball lessons are being offered now for new and experienced players with a lot of people, of all ages, being interested. Mr. Vest commented on a new partnership with the City of Pleasanton for pickleball drop-ins on a Saturdays at Pleasanton Middle School and the increase in enrollment that had occurred.

Mr. Vest advised that in addition to pickleball Lifetime has also reintroduced badminton programs at the Pleasanton Middle School gym and are seeing families playing and taking lessons.

Ms. Murphy noted that the popularity of bocce continues to grow at the Tuesday and Wednesday league events and league enrollment numbers are what they were before the pandemic. Also, the number of drop-ins for bocce on other days continues to increase.

Mr. Vest showed information about the depth of activities beyond tennis, including tennis rentals and lessons, ball machine rentals, chess games and lessons, and RADD tennis for the developmentally disabled community. He noted that a total of 46 teams had been posted at the tennis park in the past five months and Lifetime continues the legacy of Pleasanton evening games and had partnered with a new organization called Universal Tennis that allows players to connect with other players.

Commissioner Immadi thanked Lifetime for serving the community. He asked about numbers presented in one of the slides and how they broke down between youth and adults. Mr. Vest indicated he did not have that breakdown but would be happy to provide it later.

Commissioner Immadi asked about court reservations and use by drop-in players. Mr. Vest advised that reservations are recommended, which can be done online and up to eight days in advance, with Pleasanton residents being given priority. One tennis court is kept free of reservations to be available for drop-in use. He provided Commissioner Immadi information of the various kinds of activities available and noted that July always tends to be the busiest month at the tennis park.

Ms. May commented on student attendees during the summer and that the tennis park also has many users from different school districts which may be why the July numbers were higher.

Commissioner Berberich thanked Mr. Vest and Lifetime for the services they are providing.

Commissioner Fields asked about the number of bocce league players pre-pandemic and the number of nights that league teams play. Ms. Murphy advised that leagues were between 15 and 20 per season, which is the same number currently, and league play is on a Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Commissioner Fields asked about the term “drop-in” at the tennis court and whether that meant there was no cost to play. Mr. Vest advised that it means that no court reservation has been made but there is still a fee to play both tennis and pickleball. He advised that this also applies for badminton and bocce. Voucher payments were also discussed – these are being honored and based on prices prior to the pandemic when the city was running the programs.

Commissioner Fields confirmed with Ms. Murphy that there is no free play at the Tennis Park.

Commissioner Fields asked Ms. Crose about the number of tennis courts in Pleasanton where people can play tennis without paying a fee. Ms. Crose advised that there are 21 tennis courts in the inventory, nine of which are in parks that are outside of the Tennis and Community Park.

Commissioner Fields discussed with Mr. Vest numbers prior to the pandemic and the popularity of camps. Mr. Vest commented on the necessity to reduce camp sizes because of the pandemic and numbers dropping in 2020 and recovering in 2021. He noted that many camps did sell out due to the smaller allotted numbers, the number of court users was reduced, and Lifetime is still mindful of careful distancing

Chairperson Deckert questioned that with the addition of other complimentary services all costs are being captured in the fees to cover these additional services. Mr. Vest advised that class fees are reflective of what Lifetime charges for other services.

**3. Public Comment from the audience regarding items not listed on the agenda.**

None.

**MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMISSION**

**4. Recommend City Council Approve Fee Increases for the Pleasanton Tennis and Community Park Operator, Lifetime Activities, Inc., effective January 1, 2022**

Ms. Murphy noted that all information is included in the staff report and encouraged commissioners to ask any questions they may have about the item.

Commissioner Immadi commented on the fees being too high compared to those for Dublin and Livermore. Mr. Vest discussed the various categories of services compared to those in the other cities. He noted that the proposed increases are in-line with the cost-of-living increases amortized over the last three years.

Commissioner Immadi asked about the percentage of inflation. Mr. Vest advised that Lifetime has been experiencing challenges in terms of accommodating demand and is always looking for new coaches, making sure there is a balance between the diverse types of user groups, court availability, demand for services, etc.

Mr. Vest informed Commissioner Immadi that the Tennis Rec League refers to the city league that is operated by Lifetime. Commissioner Immadi questioned if two people are going to play are both people expected to pay. Ms. May provided information about people paying \$8/session for 10 sessions for a total of \$50 and being guaranteed a weekly match within that timeframe. Mr. Vest advised if someone is renting a court then they are paying per court per player.

Chairperson Deckert asked if vendors are expected to do comparative surveys, or if there is any time that staff provides this service. Ms. Murphy advised that staff does not do the work for contractors.

Chairperson Deckert made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Vickers, to approve the fee increases for the Pleasanton Tennis and Community Park Operator, Lifetime Activities, Inc., effective January 1, 2022.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Commissioners Berberich, Immadi, Vickers, and Chairperson Deckert.  
NOES: Commissioner Fields  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

Chairperson Deckert thanked Lifetime representatives for their presentation.

## **5. New Location Options for Near-Term and Long-Term Cricket Field at a Pleasanton Park**

Chairperson Deckert thanked Commissioners Berberich and Immadi for their work over the years in getting this item on an agenda for the commission to review.

Ms. Crose shared with commissioners' information for near-term and long-term options for cricket fields within Pleasanton and discussed the process staff has followed to this point and the recommendation they are making. She provided information about the game of cricket, the number of players, and the pitch on which it is played, noting that the Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified cricket as a sport in need of field space. In 2017, the Ken Mercer Sports Park was evaluated as a potential site for cricket but was later deemed not to be a viable location. Then in 2018 and 2019 the school district evaluated the Pleasanton Middle School as a potential location for cricket but that was also determined not to be a suitable site. In April and May of 2021 City Council prioritized construction of a cricket pitch and budgeted \$250,000 for design work for the project.

Commissioners were advised by Ms. Crose that during May 2021 PUSD opened Pleasanton's first cricket pitch at Alisal Elementary School, with the assistance of Cricket for Cubs. While it is good to have a cricket pitch there, the specifications of that cricket pitch only allow for the younger players, which means there is still a need for a regulation cricket pitch. In the fall of 2021, staff researched information about cricket fields and spoke with representatives from the cities of Fremont, Dublin, and San Ramon and visited cricket pitches in these cities.

Following the visits to these other cities and working to bring a cricket pitch to Pleasanton, Ms. Crose advised that a near-term solution would involve an area large enough for a 180' radius field. With such a large field circumference and the requirement for parking and restroom facilities, the majority of the City's 46 parks were removed as being unsuitable. For a long-term solution, it was determined that an area large enough for a 200-240' radius field would be required with a durable grass pitch field and parking for approximately 50 cars.

With the required stipulations, staff conducted research and identified five potential locations. She discussed that Ken Mercer Sports Park is already at capacity with many sports and adding cricket would require pushing out another sport. Ms. Crose also noted that for similar reasons Amador Community Park was also removed as a consideration.

Other considered locations include Muirwood Community Park, Staples Ranch (an undeveloped location), and Bernal Community Park. Ms. Crose advised that Muirwood Park is being considered as a suitable near-term location because it does not have significant use by other sports groups, would provide suitable space for cricket, has an existing restroom, has space for storage, and offers a large amount of street parking. Commissioners were advised that a large amount of public input has been received for this location, after notifications were sent to neighbors of the park within a 500-ft radius. Comments received included information on the

current high impact use of this location, parking issues, cricket play causing damage to the turf, and limiting the use of the park by neighboring family members.

Commissioners were advised by Ms. Crose that if Muirwood is a recommended as a near-term location for cricket, staff will need to collaborate with a consultant to determine the best configuration for a cricket field, as well as ways to accommodate other family and sports users. She noted that Sports Council representatives are confident sharing the space can be done cohesively and Mr. Damonte is available at this meeting to answer any questions commissioners may have pertaining to the turf.

Ms. Crose then advised that staff was recommending the area known as Staples Ranch Community Park, which is currently undeveloped, as a suitable long-term location for cricket. She discussed its proximity to the freeway and being large enough to build a full-size cricket field for both youth and adults.

Commissioners were advised by Ms. Crose that many living in the Muirwood Community Park area had questioned why staff was not considering the Bernal Community Park as a suitable location for a near-term cricket field. She commented on the already impacted use of this park, the current parking shortage, and that there is no developed space where cricket could be played. Because of these concerns Ms. Crose advised that staff believes the Staples Ranch Community Park will be a more suitable location for a long-term cricket field.

Ms. Crose reiterated that the near-term recommendation is for a cricket field to be located at the Muirwood Community Park and confirmed for Commissioner Immadi that the plan is for cricket to be played with a plan for sharing field space with other sports.

Chairperson Deckert thanked Ms. Crose for her presentation and indicated he would take questions from commissioners before opening the meeting for comments from the public.

Commissioner Vickers asked questions about the proposed size of the cricket field for Staples Ranch Community Park and this being the ultimate goal for being able to have cricket in Pleasanton. Commissioner Immadi advised that the plan is have a bigger field and larger space that would accommodate different sized pitches and have space for a practice facility.

Commissioner Vickers discussed with Commissioner Immadi details on being able to have a National and World Class cricket facility in Pleasanton. They discussed the location, easy access from the freeway, and the use of turf and synthetic turf pitches. Commissioner Immadi commented on the use of the current cricket field in Dublin for football and the wear and tear of blended fields when they are used seven days a week.

Commissioner Berberich thanked city staff for their thoroughness in researching about the sport of cricket. He discussed cricket play taking place in spaces rented in Union City and Dublin, how soccer nets are moved to accommodate cricket playing at the Dublin location and thought turf wear and tear was not a significant issue. He discussed the use of Muirwood Community Park as a near-term solution and felt there was sufficient space to accommodate other activities without any being impacted.

**Chairperson Deckert opened the meeting for public comment.**

Tim Correia – expressed his concern about the amount of space required for cricket, the affect to uses for baseball and football, and exclusivity for cricket. He indicated he was disappointed with the process and would have preferred if more time had been given for people to comment and argue the decision.

Lesa Watts Frederick – indicated she lives in a court across from Muirwood Park and expressed her concern about the parking that she and her neighbors must deal with and is especially heavy on the weekends when people visit the park for many activities. An additional concern was for cricket balls traveling a long distance after being hit. Ms. Frederick noted she had recently spoken with tennis players at the park who were unaware of the city’s cricket plans and adding pickleball to two courts. She felt that information should have included a larger distance and not isolated to the 500-ft distance. Ms. Frederick commented on the park use being more than what staff and the commission were aware.

Mr. Frederick agreed with his wife’s comments and commented on the park also being used for volleyball and frisbee. He was concern about cricket balls hitting someone walking by and that a large amount of park space would be required for this sport and did not think the proposed site was a good recommendation.

Larry Brazil – also commented on the park being used for many activities including organized soccer on the weekends, football, and baseball team practice sessions, ultimate frisbee, volleyball, etc., as well as parking being a big issue. He discussed the number of cricket players on a team and the added parking that would require for the players and their families and friends. Mr. Brazil felt the long-term solution for Staples Ranch Community Park was good and questioned what the near-term solution would mean in the term of years for play at Muirwood Community Park.

**Chairperson Deckert closed the meeting for public comment.**

Commissioner Fields asked staff to clarify what amount of time was being considered for the short-term cricket location and about the feasibility of the Staples Ranch location being brought forward as a project. Ms. Crose advised that for staff near-term is a location that can be happen quickly and does not require serious construction, but that the cricket pitch would be installed permanently. Staples Ranch would be a bigger construction.

Commissioner Fields commented on their being no commitment for work to begin at Staples Ranch so it could be five years or longer before cricket could be considered. Ms. Murphy agreed and noted that for staff the term near-term does not mean that cricket would be put in place for a brief period and then taken away, it means staff can implement something near-term and a long-term solution would be at Staples Ranch. She commented on the amount of time taken for construction of the Bernal Community Park and felt something similar might be the estimate for Staples Ranch and the required master planning. Ms. Murphy noted that the Staples Ranch location would also allow for the city to put in other uses needed for the community.

Commissioner Berberich commented on public concerns about the cricket ball hitting people and stated that if the pitch was oriented correctly this would not be a concern. Commissioner Immadi agreed with Commissioner Berberich's comments. He also discussed length of time for playing a cricket game, park use by other sports groups, and felt parking concerns would not be a problem. Commissioner Immadi noted that cricket is a new sport to many, and people may have a lot of anxiety about what will happen, but the cricket groups are open to having dialogue with the community.

Chairperson Deckert discussed the emergence of different park sports/activities over the years and new sports needed based on the city's ability to oversee the activity and what it is going to generate for the community. He felt staff had done an excellent job looking at all alternatives for a short-term solution.

Commissioner Vickers indicated he was concerned after listening to comments from the public and appreciated what they had said about organized sports and other activities at Muirwood Park and questioned whether signage could be added on some of the streets to limit parking and dissuade people from parking in front of neighborhood homes. Chairperson Deckert indicated that this was something that could be incorporated into a motion.

Ms. Murphy felt that this project was going to be like the Skate Park and All-Abilities Playground projects in that major public outreach would be conducted once the location has been chosen.

Ms. Murphy noted that Commissioner Immadi had the idea of inviting neighbors to participate in playing a game of cricket so they would better understand the impact and Commissioner Vickers felt this was a key point. He also commented on this being the beginning of a process after which the community will become more involved.

Commissioner Immadi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berberich, to move forward with the staff recommendation for locating a cricket field at Muirwood Park as a near-term solution and Staples Ranch for the long-term solution.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Commissioners Berberich, Fields, Immadi, Vickers, and Chairperson Deckert.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Chairperson Deckert thanked everyone and indicated he was interested in learning what cricket will bring to the community.

**6. Review Locations for Pickleball Courts in Pleasanton**

Ms. Crose provided some background information about pickleball and its increase in popularity and demand in Pleasanton for more places to play. She noted that the Lifetime Tennis representative in their earlier reporting had commented on the need for more pickleball courts.



Commissioners were informed by Ms. Crose that staff evaluated the possible incorporation of pickleball into the annual tennis court resurfacing project and looked at the possibility of using funding set aside for resurfacing existing tennis courts to create pickleball courts. In 2021 staff researched pickleball courts in other cities and then looked at existing tennis courts in Pleasanton that could be converted to pickleball courts which includes:

- Muirwood Community Park
- Pleasanton Middle School
- Owens Plaza Neighborhood Park
- Fairlands Neighborhood Park
- Stoneridge Creek Neighborhood Park

Commissioners were advised that Muirwood Park has been identified as the best option for providing pickleball. Pleasanton Middle School is a shared location with the school district and the courts would not be on city property. Converting the tennis court at Owens Plaza would mean eliminating tennis from the park. Fairlands Park is a neighborhood park and does not have a restroom. Stoneridge Creek tennis courts have beveled corners which would not allow for converting and there is limited parking.

Ms. Crose advised that pickleball is played with a different racket and ball and creates a different type of noise. She commented on tennis courts scheduled for resurfacing that could include pickleball and have multiple gates, a public restroom, existing street parking, minimal adjacent homes, and a recommendation to add additional fencing. Commissioners were advised by Ms. Crose that feedback has been received from the community with both support and opposition to pickleball courts. She also noted that many pickleball players are traveling to other cities to play this sport.

Additionally, commissioners were advised by Ms. Crose that once a recommendation has been made for a suitable pickleball location, additional community outreach would be conducted to share concepts and receive feedback.

Chairperson Deckert thanked Ms. Crose for the presentation and asked commissioners for questions.

Commissioner Immadi asked about planned resurfacing for the Muirwood tennis courts. Mr. Damonte advised that nothing was planned for this year and the plan was to do both the tennis and basketball courts at the same time and Ms. Crose advised that staff has been out to the site at various times of the day to observe activities.

Commissioners Immadi was advised by Ms. Crose that additional studies of court use at other locations would be taken into consideration after a recommendation has been made by the commission. Ms. Murphy added that the inclusion of pickleball courts could be added to discussions about Staples Ranch.

Commissioner Fields noted that on a recent tour of parks commissioners had looked at two tennis court locations that would work well for pickleball. She noted that her only concern had been about the plastic material on fences used to protect against wind and thought there would be more people wanting to play pickleball, especially retirees.

Commissioner Berberich felt including pickleball was a compromise that allows both tennis and pickleball players to coexist in the same location and noted he and his wife have never had a problem being able to get on the court.

Commissioner Immadi asked about noise created by playing pickleball and Commissioner Vickers commented on the likeness to using a plastic whiffle ball. Chairperson Deckert added that this was the reason staff was recommending the two rear courts.

**Chairperson Deckert opened the meeting for public comment,**

Jeff Bryant – discussed the pickleball courts at the Tennis Park that are only about a year old and commented on the lines not showing up very well. He commented on this being a perfect sport for seniors because it requires less running. Mr. Bryant suggested not waiting any longer as the courts are needed.

**Chairperson Deckert closed the meeting for public comment.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Berberich, seconded by Commissioner Vickers, recommending pickleball courts be located at Muirwood Community Park.

**ROLL CALL:**

AYES: Commissioners Berberich, Fields, Immadi, Vickers, and Chairperson Deckert.  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**7. Review and Comment on the Library and Recreation Department Quarterly Report for July – September 2021**

Chairperson Deckert commented on the new format of the report. Ms. Murphy indicated this had been done after receiving feedback from commissions and advised the annual report would be for the calendar year and provided at the February 2022 meeting. She noted that this report represents the incredible work staff has done during the pandemic serving the needs of the community.

Chairperson Deckert thanked staff for including partnerships with other organizations in the report and giving them their much-deserved recognition. He asked about the RADD program that meets twice a month at the senior center and wondered if more time could be made available for them to meet. Ms. Murphy advised that the group has been taken on buses to baseball games, movies, etc. but there is still some concern because of COVID.

Commissioner Fields stated she loved the new report and commented on a program that included residents of Sunflower Hill. She also discussed wonderful programs at the Adobe and how Martha and cohorts are so innovative.

Commissioner Berberich seconded Commissioner Fields comments and indicated he enjoyed the executive summary and detailed information in the report. He thought it was very professional.

Commissioner Immadi also liked the report and asked for additional information about the rental facility study. Ms. Murphy indicated she did not have information available would be happy to provide at another meeting information on percentage of rentals compared to capacity. She stated that pre-pandemic facilities were rented heavily for weddings, graduation parties, memorial services, etc.

Commissioner Immadi felt one of things the commission had discussed was additional time and usage of facilities, maintaining excellent parks, comparing things with other cities, etc. He felt at some point there should be discussions on how the city can partner with the school district to overcome some of the struggles. Ms. Murphy advised that there is a liaison committee with representatives from the city and the school district that meets every second Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. at which he could attend and bring up his concerns. She encouraged him to pursue this further if this is something in which he is interested. Ms. Murphy also commented on the City Council priority setting process for the next two-year budget cycle as being another time for him to mention the conversation.

Chairperson Deckert noted that in the report under recreation administration there appeared to be a decrease in participants and wondered if staff wondered what had brought this about. Ms. Murphy felt it was because of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms. Murphy advised that staff was excited to bring the next report which will be the annual report as it will be a more robust document.

## **COMMISSION REPORTS**

### **8. Committee Meetings**

- A. Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee – no report.
- B. Community of Character – Commissioner Fields advised that a meeting was held November 17<sup>th</sup> and spent time discussing the Martin Luther King Breakfast event which will be at the Doubletree on January 24<sup>th</sup>. She noted that the group is trying to locate a speaker for the event. Creatures of Impulse will be doing a program and the deadline for students to turn in applications for scholarships is February 1, 2022. May 17, 2022 is the date when people will be recognized for their volunteer work not only academic but also community involvement.

- C. City/East Bay Regional Park District Liaison Committee – Commissioner Berberich questioned if there was ever going to be a meeting with this group and Ms. Murphy advised that there was not one scheduled, but staff will continue to reach out to see if there is interest in restarting this group. Chairperson Deckert felt the committee should be restarted because of issues that have taken place with EBRPD not stepping forward to do some of the things that had been promised. He commented on what has been frustrating for staff and the city attorney because of the Park District renegeing on agreements.
- D. Heritage Tree Review Board – Commissioner Fields advised that the Board considered a matter of five Redwood trees that a man had planted over 30-years ago and now wanted to remove and replace with other trees. She advised that the city had said “No” to the request, but his neighbors all said “Yes” because the trees were a safety hazard. Commissioner Fields advised that the Board agreed that the trees should be removed, and the man be required to replant other trees.
- E. Public Art Selection Sub-Committee – no report.
- F. Sports Council – Commissioner Vickers advised the Council had good productive meeting at which they discussed: 1) the cricket pitch, 2) different sports programs, 3) the Bernal Community Park sponsorship, and 4) a presentation from Todd Utikal from the Sidetrack Restaurant who has been instrumental raising money for schools, including a shade shelter at Amador High School. Commissioner Vickers noted that the sponsorship for Bernal Park is moving forward with Stanford Children’s Health. A gopher problem at Pleasanton Middle School was discussed with artificial turf being a possible solution. The group also discussed the scramble for fields for different sports and the challenge with sports now not rotating out. Commissioner Vickers felt it was a great meeting with everyone leaving with smiles.

**9. Other brief reports on any meetings, conferences, and/or seminars attended by the Commission Members**

Commissioner Fields discussed the Century House with Ms. Murphy who advised she had recently heard from Mr. Dolan who advised information would not be available for the December commission meeting, nor would Lions Wayside Park be on the December meeting agenda.

**MATTERS INITIATED BY THE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Vickers advised he was looking to put a memorial bench in a park for his deceased mother and wondered if that were something he could do in Pleasanton. Ms. Murphy suggested he contact her directly so they could discuss this in person and connect him with the correct individual. Mr. Damonte noted that as with many other things there is a supply issue with getting benches, but the city does have some on order.

Chairperson Deckert asked about the possibility of a commission meeting in December which is typically when a new Chair and Vice Chair is selected, and committee reassignments are done.

Commissioner Fields asked Ms. Murphy to provide information about plans for the Holiday Parade. Chairperson Deckert advised that he has had the responsibility for the tree lighting and a section in the front is provided only for the city council members. He noted that this will be the first parade in three years since last year was cancelled because of COVID and the year previous because of severe weather.

Commissioner Fields invited everyone to visit Candy Lane to see the annual Christmas decorations.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Century House  
Lions Wayside

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.