



RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
SPECIAL CALLED
OFFICIAL MINUTES
APRIL 23, 2025
ALPHARETTA CITY HALL
COMMUNITY ROOM | 2 PARK PLAZA | 5:30 PM

The public is advised that the following minutes are not a verbatim transcription of business presented at the Council Meeting of the date shown; but are a synopsis of pertinent information. The public is further advised that the video recording for said meeting is a matter of public record and is available to be viewed at the City Clerk's office during normal business hours or viewed online at <https://www.youtube.com/user/alpharettagov>.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- ❖ Chairman Mitchell called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

• Recreation Commissioners Present

- Dennis Mitchell (Chair)
- Jit Saha (Vice Chair)
- Karla Piedrahita
- Cameron Kline
- John Norton

• Recreation Commissioners Absent

- Derek Kaighin
- Shuntel Beach
- Cheryl Rand
- Brad Bowers

• Staff

- Chris Lagerbloom, City Administrator, City of Alpharetta
- Morgan Rodgers, Director, Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services
- Kurt Kirby, Senior Operations Manager, Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services
- Sarah Bausano, Administrative Office Coordinator, Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. Recreation Commission Minutes from March 11, 2025

- Chairman Mitchell called for a motion.
 - Commissioner Norton offered a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, from March 11, 2025, Recreation Commission meeting.

- Commissioner Piedrahita seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved (5-0).
- b. **Recreation Commission Work Session Minutes from March 26, 2025**
 - Chairman Mitchell called for a motion.
 - Commissioner Kline offered a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, from March 26, 2025, Recreation Commission Work Session.
 - Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved (5-0).

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Recreation Commission Code of Ordinance

- Chris Lagerbloom presented this item to the Recreation Commission. Mr. Lagerbloom stated that City Council offered feedback at the First Reading of the Code of Ordinance. The changes have been made. Section 32-31 has been updated. The terms for the Commissioners will change. The terms will run with the Council Member that appointed the Commissioner. The second reading is scheduled for April 28th, 2025.

RECREATION COMMISSION Q & A:

Q With these changes, this would mean I do not expire for two and half years? (Mitchell)

A Yes, we will have that situation with a few Councilman. We are not sure what will happen with Brian Will. (Lagerbloom)

C We will just need to deal with this one on one? (Mitchell)

C If you are willing to serve, I think we can get this figured out. (Lagerbloom)

Q Why is Councilman Mitchell not running? (Saha)

A He has termed out. (Lagerbloom)

Q What is the history of the five-year term? (Saha)

A It was due to a State Statute. (Lagerbloom)

Q What is the difference between Board and Commission? (Saha)

A It can be used interchangeably. (Lagerbloom)

C Grammar issue on the second page, include should be includes. (Saha)

Q Exhibit A, 32-29, 32-33A looks like it is mirror that, should it mirror? (Kline)

A I do not think there is anything wrong with it.

Q 32-33B, does that mean that we cannot analyze and investigate unless they are referred. (Kline)

A City Council can just do what they want. I will have Molly update. (Lagerbloom)

C D states that we can. (Kline)

Q Why do we have B? (Saha)

A I will have Molly take a look and adjust accordingly. (Lagerbloom)

VI. RECREATION COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- Vice Chair Saha asked if there could be a screen added between the pickleball courts and tennis courts. Morgan said sure and Chris said that CDBG money would be a great way to fund something like that.
- Commissioner Norton asked about if there has been a meeting with the Alpharetta High School football coach. Morgan said yes. Chris, Kurt, Christine, and the Mayor met with him and the Junior Raiders coach. The football coach is wanting to lean into the program. The football coach is also wanting to come to one of the Recreation Commission Work Sessions.
- Commissioner Piedrahita about the Wacky World Community build and what is going on with it. Morgan stated that the RFP is out and due back May 22nd, Mayor and Council will have all the park projects and the monetary value on all the projects. Commissioner Piedrahita asked if we were thinking October? Morgan stated that that is what we are hoping.
- Commissioner Piedrahita asked about Union Hill Park and hockey, any update? Mr. Lagerbloom state that the City was not able to meet the timeline for the hockey people. It was the most accelerated project that we have had to try to get through. Mr. Lagerbloom also stated that there is a push for North Point Mall to get a sheet of ice. There were many concerns with City Council and Union Hill Park, they did everything they could do to make it a convertible space and there were a few obstacles. Chairman Mitchell asked how long it would take to put ice at the mall? Mr. Lagerbloom stated it would take years, there is a lot to do at the mall.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- Chairman Mitchell called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- Vice Chair Saha made a motion to adjourn.
 - Commissioner Norton seconded the motion.
 - The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).
- With there being no further business to consider or discuss, Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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