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 - A. **CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Soiseth called the meeting to order at 5:01p.m.
PRESENT: Councilmembers Gil Esquer, Bill DeHart, Amy Bublak, Matthew Jacob
(arrived at 5:05 p.m.), and Mayor Gary Soiseth.
ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER - Commission Chair Brent Bohlender called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
PRESENT: Commissioners Michael Foster, Michelle Morse, Nicole Larson, Jonathan
Boulos, Robert Holly, Sandra Loza, and Commission Chair Brent Bohlender.
ABSENT: None
 - B. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**
 2. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**
 3. **PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. Turlock Sunrise Rotary President Mike Stanfield presented information about the recent service project at Donnelly Park to revitalize the playground area including replacing tiles, repainting of the blocks and welcome sign, and weather proofing, acknowledged the Pitman High School Basketball Team and support staff, City staff, and Rotarians for their assistance with this project, and spoke about efforts to make this an annual project to help and support the community.
 - B. Mayor Soiseth spoke about the Mayor's Public Policy scholarship at CSU Stanislaus, the two scholarships previously awarded, the next scholarship pertaining to a mural festival/program throughout the community, and collaboration with the CSUS Art Department to develop ideas.

CSU Stanislaus College of the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Jacob Weigel stated he was asked by the Dean to attend this meeting due to his experience in Odessa, Texas, provided information about the public art process in the City of Odessa including creating a master plan to section and commission work, collaboration with the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Department, identifying locations where public art could be created, surveying the community to determine public art interests, and public art opportunities such as new construction, parks, civic and community buildings, and architectural lighting, murals, and functional esthetics, and noted his excitement to have the students involved with this type of project.

Mayor noted he will be working with the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission Chair and Jacob Weigel to engage community and student involvement and to seek partners for future projects.

Council and Commissioners discussed this item.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None

5. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND DISQUALIFICATIONS:** None

6. **PARKS, ARTS AND RECREATION COMMISSION CHAIR/STAFF UPDATES:**

- A. Commission Chair Bohlender provided information about Community (Urban) Gardens including previous research completed, challenges with identifying locations to have a garden, proposal for Councilmembers to identify potential locations within their Districts to have a garden, and the possibility of developing an ad hoc committee to assist with this type of project.

Council and Commissioners discussed this item.

- B. Parks, Recreation and Public Facilities Manager Erik Schulze provided information about the Turlock Regional Sports Complex Lighting Feasibility Study including notifications sent to residents regarding a public meeting to be held on October 11, 2017 to discuss the project, the new lights being more cost effective and efficient, and the ability to add more teams to the City softball recreation league and more opportunities for expanded tournaments once the project is complete.

- C. Parks, Recreation and Public Facilities Director Allison Van Guilder presented a video presentation regarding a fitness initiative/concept to potentially bring more fitness-focused equipment throughout the community and spoke about a similar concept of a fitness-focused piece of equipment to be installed at Montana Park (Phase 2).

Council, Commissioners, and staff discussed this item.

7. **COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/UPDATES**

- A. Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission Comments/Updates: No updates provided.

- B. City Council Comments/Updates

Councilmember DeHart spoke about the various programs discussed and thanked the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission for spiriting these efforts.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Soiseth adjourned the special meeting of the City Council at 5:44 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Commission Chair Bohlender adjourned the special meeting of the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission at 5:44 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Jennifer Land
City Clerk