

ACTION AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING

Joint Work Session Visalia City Council & Parks and Recreation Commission Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia, Visalia, CA Monday, March 31, 2008, 4:00 p.m.

City Council

Parks & Recreation Commission Jesus J. Gamboa Mayor: Robert Mijares Chairperson: Vice Mayor: Bob Link Vice-Chairperson: Lesa Mann Council Member: Greg Collins Board Member: Tom Link Council Member: Donald K. Landers Board Member: Russ Desch Council Member: Amy Shuklian Board Member: Bill Dillberg

4:00 p.m. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Track 1 INTRODUCTIONS

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

 Presentation to Commissioner Tom Link for his years of service on the Parks & Recreation Commission

Mayor Gamboa presents a plaque to Commissioner Tom Link for his seven years of service on the Parks & Recreation Commissioner. Commissioner Link challenges the city to move forward on these projects: Civic Center, Oval Park improvements, and the Washington School District lighting project

CITIZENS REQUESTS – This is the time for members of the public to comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Visalia City Council or the Visalia Parks and Recreation Commission. The Council and Commissioners ask that you keep your comments brief and positive. Creative criticism, presented with appropriate courtesy, is welcome. The Council/Commissioners cannot legally discuss or take official action on citizen request items that are introduced today. In fairness to all who wish to speak, each speaker from the public will be allowed three minutes. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your street name and city.

None

WORK SESSION

1. Review of current Parks & Recreation Department CIP program (FY 2006-08) to include park, waterway, and trail projects.

Vince Elizondo gives a status report on Parks CIP projects; reviews various sources of funding; reviews completed projects and parks under design for 2006-08. Vince Elizondo and Don Stone answer council and commission questions regarding budget concerns for staffing and maintenance of new parks; water usage and conservation; and the park ranger program.

Paul Shepard presents an update of the city's Waterways and Trails projects, including

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funding sources, miles of waterways owned/developed. Shepard and Don Stone answer questions of council and commissioners.

Council and Commissioner closing comments: Robert Mijares, Commission chairperson, acknowledges new Commissioner Carla Calhoun, reviews the Parks & Recreation Commission goals of promoting community development, healthy lifestyles and green sustainable practices. Mijares also comments on the progress and challenges of an aquatics center.

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

Upcoming Council Meetings

- Monday, April 7, 2008, Work Session 4:00 p.m. Regular Session 7:00 p.m. City Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia
- Monday, April 21, 2008, Work Session 4:00 p.m. Regular Session 7:00 p.m. Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia
- Monday, May 5, 2008, Work Session 4:00 p.m. Regular Session 7:00 p.m. City Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia

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