

CITY OF OAKLAND

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission



MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order: 4:52 PM

2. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Tran, Watkins, Whitmore

Present (4): Commissioners Tran, Alper, Cervantes, and Thomas.

Remote (2): Commissioners Kos-Read and Whitmore.

Excused (4): Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners Henderson and Watkins.

Absent (0):

Action: Quorum confirmed.

Commissioner Tran served as Acting Chair in Chair Barach's absence.

3. Modification of the Agenda – **None.**

4. Disposition of Minutes

– Draft minutes from regular meeting on **June 10, 2026.**

Motion: Acting Chair Tran entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

Moved by: Commissioner Thomas

Seconded by: Commissioner Cervantes

Vote: Yes (6) Tran, Alper, Cervantes, Thomas, Kos-Read, and Whitmore.

No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

5. Open Forum

– Comment on all items not on the agenda are taken at this time.

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

Email: 0

6. Measure Q Update

- Monthly OPW Informational Report on Measure Q and Performance Measure Updates.
- No report this month.

7. New Business

- 7A. Request for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) to approve Friends of Sausal Creek (FOSC) to collect donations and auction proceeds onsite at the 30th Anniversary Sunset Soiree to be hosted at the Native Plant Nursery located within Joaquin Miller Park on Saturday, September 26, 2026, from 5:00pm – 8:00pm.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Acting Chair Tran entertained a motion to approve the request.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Alper

Vote: Yes (6) Tran, Alper, Cervantes, Thomas, Kos-Read and Whitmore.
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

- 7B. Request for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) to approve the Incredible Church request to collect on-site registration fees, raffle ticket sales, merchandise and sponsor fees at the Incredible Church 3K/5K Run, Walk, Roll to be held at Lakeside Park Fairyland Grassy Area on Sunday, October 4, 2026 from 6:00am – 12 pm.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Acting Chair Tran entertained a motion to approve the request.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Thomas

Vote: Yes (6) Tran, Alper, Cervantes, Thomas, Kos-Read and Whitmore.
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

- 7C. Request for Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to approve a Gift-in-Place donation for forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000.00) from the Friends of the Rockridge-Temescal Greenbelt (FROG) for the installation of landscaping, sitting logs, and replacement of fence to Frog Park and the Frog Park Climatescape.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Acting Chair Tran entertained a motion to approve the request.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Thomas

Vote: Yes (6) Tran, Alper, Cervantes, Thomas, Kos-Read
and Whitmore.
No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

8. Planning and Conditional Use Permits (CUPs)

None.

9. Update from the Director, Committees, and Announcements

Director's Update:

– This month is Parks and Recreation month where we celebrate at all of our Recreation Centers.

Saturday, July 11, 2026, at Larry Reid Sports Center, OPRYD is hosting a Park Play Lending Library at 10:00 am.

- July 29, 2026 – Nature Camp at Feather River Camp
- July 30, 2026 – Groundbreaking for Lincoln Square Recreation Center
- August 4 to 7, 2026 – Recreation Centers will be going to Feather River Camp

Announcements:

– Asst. CIP Coordinator, Quincy Williams:

On July 13, 2026, OPRYD, in collaboration with the Roots Soccer Club, a mural was unveiled at one of Rainbow Recreation Center's underutilized outdoor court.

Internationally known artist, Shepard Fairey created the mural. The court was repurposed for use as a futsal.

Saturday, August 29, 2026 – the City will present the re-opening of Tyrone Carney Park. The re-opening /ribbon cutting ceremony will start at 11:00 am. The park, which closed in 2003, will feature new park equipment and a bust of Tyrone Carney.

- Commissioner Thomas: National Night Out – First week in August. Coordinating event in District 6.

10. Continuation of Open Forum

- Final comments on items not on the agenda are taken at this time.

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

11. Adjournment: **5:26 p.m.**

Motion: Acting Chair Tran entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Alper

Vote: Yes (6) Barach, Omolo, Henderson, Thomas, Watkins
and Whitmore.

No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

Next Regular PRAC Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2026

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue

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Respectfully submitted,


[Myka Hammock \(Aug 27, 2026 15:58:13 PDT\)](#)

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