



**RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FOWLER
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023
6:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET
FOWLER, CA 93625**

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1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Presentation – (This portion of the meeting reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda. Presentations are limited to five minutes per person and no more than 15 minutes per topic).
4. APPROVE Minutes of the September 12, 2023, Recreation Commission Meeting
5. Monthly Budget Report
6. Trunk or Treat
7. Veterans Day Event
8. Christmas on Merced
9. Children's Shopping Day
10. Community Clean Up
11. Pancakes and Pets
12. Commissioner Reports and Comments
13. Request for Future Agenda Items
14. Next meeting November 14, 2023
15. Adjournment

CERTIFICATION: I, Maria Aguilar, Permit Technician for the City of Fowler, California, hereby certify that the foregoing agenda was posted for public review on Friday, October 6, 2023.


Maria Aguilar

MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FOWLER RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER CA. 93625
September 12, 2023

Pursuant of section 2-2.206 of the City of Fowler Code of Ordinances, the Recreation Commission shall hold meetings at least once each month, at a time and place set by resolution, and shall adopt rules for the conduct of business and shall instruct the secretary to keep accurate record of its minutes, resolutions, transactions, and other business. Such records shall be a public record and shall be maintained in the office of the City Clerk. All meetings shall be open to the public and shall abide by the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. A majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business. (Ord. 78-1, 4-5-78)

Pursuant to the notice of meeting duly given, a meeting of the City of Fowler Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in person at the City of Fowler City Council Chambers located at 128 South 5th Street, Fowler, Ca. 93625.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman Susie Rico-Vasquez called the meeting to order at 6:14 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Upon completion of roll call a quorum was established based on the following attendance:	
Roll Call:	Susie Rico-Vasquez (Chairman), Stephanie Mejia (Vice Chairman), Paul Khasigian, Monique Velasquez-Lopez (Secretary), Talene Kasparian-Cleveland
Commissioner Absent:	Roy Alatorre, Ailynn Espino
City Staff Present:	City Clerk Angela Vasquez Recreation Department Supervisor: Yvonne Hernandez
City Council Liaison Present:	Mayor Pro Tem, Juan Mejia
Additional Attendees	Councilmember Leonard Hammer

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no public presentations in person or via teleconference, so this portion of the meeting was concluded.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chairman Susie Rico-Vasquez directed the Commission's attention to the August 8, 2023, Recreation Commission Meeting minutes. There being no additions, and upon motion by Vice Chairman Mejia and second by Commissioner Khasigian, the following resolution was approved unanimously with the correction of Commissioner Ailynn Espino's name.

RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves the minutes of the August 8, 2023, City of Fowler Recreation Commission meeting with requested correction.

5. BUDGET

Recreation Department Supervisor: Yvonne Hernandez provided the commissioners with an update to the budget. Yvonne also communicated to the commissioners that the goal is to get away from renting items for our events and work toward purchasing the items and have them in our inventory.

6. AB 2449 Overview

City Clerk Angela Vasquez presented a handout explaining AB 2449 and how the commissioners can utilize this option.

Vice chairman Mejia made a motion to strike agenda items 9-12 until the next meeting, and switch item 8 ahead of item 7, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Khasigian.

RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves striking agenda items until the next Recreation Commission meeting.

7. Veterans Day Event

Councilmember Leonard Hammer presented an opportunity to assist in planning the Veterans Day event. Discussion ensued with topics of advertising, revamping the flag-raising selection process, and a seasonal banner displaying veterans of Fowler along Merced Street.

8. Trunk or Treat

As a group, the commissioners went over the logistics of the candy route and reviewed further details going into the event. Recreation Commission will pass out only 2,000 trick-or-treat bags for children 2-18 years old. Ambassadors will be available to assist commissioners and give breaks when needed. An assignment will be created to give the ambassadors direction for that evening. Vice Chair Mejia suggested we as a commission individually gather a prize, vote on a trunk of our choice, and present our prize to our choice of winner. This will be discussed in further detail at our next meeting.

13. Commissioner Reports and Comments

None

14. Request for Future Agenda Items

- Items 9-12 back on agenda
- Revisit items 7 & 8

15. Next Meeting October 10, 2023

16. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.