



**RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FOWLER
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024
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 the following:
 - a. Minutes of the November 14, 2023 Recreation Commission Meeting
 - b. Minutes of the December 12, 2023 Recreation Commission Meeting
5. Re-organization of Officers
6. Monthly Budget Report
7. Spring Fest
8. Easter Event
9. Pancakes and Pets
10. Seasonal Banners
11. Auditions for Events
12. Local Service Groups
13. Commissioner Reports and Comments
14. Request for Future Agenda Items
15. Next meeting February 13, 2024
16. 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, January 5, 2024.


Maria Aguilar

MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FOWLER RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER CA. 93625
December 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, December 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 6:10 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 and acting Secretary), Paul Khasigian, Talene Kasparian-Cleveland
Commissioner Absent:	Roy Alatorre, Ailynn Espino, Monique Velasquez-Lopez
City Staff Present:	Recreation Department Supervisor: Yvonne Hernandez
City Council Liaison Present:	Mayor Pro Tem, Juan Mejia

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 October 10, 2023, Recreation Commission Meeting minutes. There being no additions, and upon motion by Commissioner Kasparian-Cleveland and seconded by Vice Chairman Mejia the following resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves the minutes of the October 10, 2023, City of Fowler Recreation Commission meeting with requested correction.

5. MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Recreation Department Supervisor: Yvonne Hernandez provided the commissioners with an update to the budget which included the recent expenses for the Children's Shopping Day and Christmas on Merced Street events.

6. CHRISTMAS ON MERCED STREET EVENT RECAP

Discussion ensued regarding the successes and areas of improvement for this event. While better sound and additional snow machines are needed, the attractions were all very popular. Potential to push the event later into the evening next year.

7. CHILDREN'S SHOPPING DAY EVENT RECAP

As a group, the commissioners discussed this event in detail outlining the benefits of the road closure and the use of the fire station. Additional opportunities to expand the experience utilizing the fire station next year.

8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Council Liaison Mejia expressed to the Commissioners his gratitude for a year of amazing events which brought the community together in a positive way. He expressed his appreciation for the dedication, hard work, and teamwork this past year.

9. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Criteria surround the way performers are selected for events
- 4th of July Parking Lot and Water Sales
- Banners in Different Languages
- How to improve attendance tracking and event statistics

10. Next Meeting January 9, 2023

The next meeting is currently scheduled for January 9, 2023 but there is a potential to cancel until February.

11. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.