



**CITY OF CHICO
BIDWELL PARK AND PLAYGROUND COMMISSION (BPPC)**

Regular Meeting Agenda
August 29, 2022, 6:00 pm
City Council Chambers - 421 Main Street

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1. REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

1.1. Call to Order

1.2. Roll Call

2. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are to be considered routine and enacted by one motion.

2.1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Action: Approve minutes of Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) meeting held on 6/27/22.

2.2. PERMIT FOR THE BIDWELL BUMP MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE IN MIDDLE AND UPPER BIDWELL PARK ON 10/08/22.

Shawn Hughes from Bidwell Bump (Applicant) requests a permit to hold a mountain bike race in Middle and Upper Bidwell Park on October 8, 2022. This event has been held in Bidwell Park for over 12 year and the Park & Natural Resources Manager (P&NRM) is requesting that the event be approved for three years until 2024.

Recommendation: *Conditional approval of the permit for three years provided that there are no significant changes to the event in the future.*

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT – IF ANY

4. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS NONE

5. REGULAR AGENDA

5.1. CONSIDERATION OF AN APPLICATION FROM CHICO STATE CYCLING TO HOLD MOUNTAIN BIKE RACES IN UPPER BIDWELL PARK ON 10/22/22 AND 10/23/22.

Chico State Cycling (Applicant) requests a permit to hold two-day mountain bike races in Middle and Upper Bidwell Park. Commission approval is required for this event because it is a new multi-day event to be held in a typically non-reservable area. (**Report –Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager**)

Recommendation: *P&NRM requests conditional approval or other BPPC direction.*

5.2. RECONSIDERATION OF AN APPLICATION TO HOLD A “COLOR RUN” IN LOWER BIDWELL PARK.

At its 5/23/22 meeting, the Commission considered two applications to hold “color run” fundraisers in Lower Bidwell Park. The Commission approved the application from Prestige Assisted Living in Chico to hold in July 2022 as a test run, with the application from Salvation Army to be reconsidered at the Commission’s August meeting. (**Report –Linda Herman, P&NRM**)

Recommendation: Park & Natural Resources Manager requests BPPC direction regarding the color run application.

5.3. PRESENTATION FROM THE BUTTE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL ON THE URBAN FOREST REVITALIZATION TREE-PLANTING PROGRAM.

The Butte Environmental Council will provide a presentation on the tree planting and outreach program required under the Cal Fire Urban Forest Revitalization grant. (**Report –Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager**)

Recommendation: None, this is an informational item only.

5.4. PRESENTATION FROM DUDEK ON THE DRAFT URBAN FOREST MASTER PLAN.

The City's consultant, DUDEK will provide an introduction and overview of the Draft Urban Forest Master Plan for Chico. This will start the public comment period for the Plan. (**Report –Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager**)

Recommendation: None, this is an informational item only.

5.5. CONSIDERATION OF CHAIR GLATZ'S REQUEST TO DISCUSS BELL REQUIREMENTS ON BICYCLES AND BANNING PROPANE USE IN CITY PARKS AND GREENWAYS.

At its 6/27/22 meeting, the Commission approved Chair Glatz's request to agendize discussion of requiring bells on bicycles when riding in Bidwell Park and to consider banning the use of propane in City parks and greenways. (**Report – Chair Glatz**).

Recommendation: Park & Natural Resources Manager requests BPPC direction regarding these topics.

5.6. CONSIDERATION OF REMOVING THE FENCING AROUND THE DEER PENS IN LOWER BIDWELL PARK.

The Commission will consider a proposal to remove the wire fencing around the deer pens and to replace a portion with split rail fencing. (**Report –Linda Herman, P&NRM**).

Recommendation: Park & Natural Resources Manager recommends approval of the proposal.

6. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Members of the public may address the Commission at this time on any matter not already listed on the agenda; comments are limited to three minutes. The Commission cannot take any action at this meeting on requests made under this section of the agenda.

7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Items provided for the Commission's information and discussion. No action can be taken on any of the items unless the Commission agrees to include them to a subsequent posted agenda.

7.1. Parks Division Report – Linda Herman, Park and Natural Resources Manager.

7.2. Street Tree Division Report – Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager.

8. COMMISSIONER REQUESTS

Pursuant to AP&P 10-1, a majority vote of the Commission is needed in order to agendize these items for discussion at a future meeting. At this meeting, public comment may be taken only whether to agendize these items. If approved to be agendized, public comment regarding the items themselves will be taken at a future BPPC meeting.

8.1. By email dated 8/26/22, Vice Chair Thomas-Petty is requesting to agendize discussion on the Dark Sky Initiative in support of the Chico Community Observatory.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next regular meeting on September 26, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Chico Municipal Center building located at 421 Main Street, Chico, California.



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