



# City of Santa Rosa

Finley Center  
2060 W. College Avenue  
Cypress Room

## Board of Community Services Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

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Wednesday, February 26, 2025

5:00 PM

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 pm by Chair Lopez.

**Present:** 6 - Chair Omar Lopez, Board Member Guido Boccaleoni, Board Member Paul Castillo, Board Member Madonna Cruz, Board Member Carole Quandt, and Board Member Carolina Spence

### 2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED)

To consider and act on any request from a Board Member to participate in a meeting remotely due to Just Cause or Emergency Circumstances pursuant to AB 2449 (Government Code Section 549539(f)).

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Roy Miramontes requesting off leash hours at Galvin Park be extended 6 am to 10 am.

David Harris requesting off leash hours at Galvin Park be extended from 6 am to 10 am.

Christine Armigo requested off leash hours at Galvin Park be extended from 6 am to 10 am.

Steve Boxerman requested off leash hours at Galvin Park be extended from 6 am to 10 am.

Duane DeWitt in support of resident requests of Galvin Park's off leash hours extension. Volunteer for Roseland Park, but not an official volunteer with City of Santa Rosa. Will be meeting with city employee at site to generate an official volunteer group for Roseland Park.

No dog park at Roseland Creek Community Park, want to keep it

natural.

#### **4. MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 11, 2024 - DRAFT**

##### **4.1 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 11, 2024 - DRAFT**

Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2024 were approved as submitted.

#### **5. DIRECTOR UPDATES & REPORT ON EVENTS**

##### **5.1 UPCOMING AND ACCOMPLISHED EVENTS**

A list of accomplished and upcoming events was distributed to the Board and made available to the public prior to the meeting. Deputy Director, Jen Santos highlighted the following:

Arbor Day Celebration March 8, 2025 drop by anytime or register online, planting trees at Galvin Park.

##### **5.2 DIRECTOR UPDATES**

Items that will be going to City Council:

- March 4th - Summer Programs update, and Arbor Week Proclamation.
- March 4th - Consent item for Lower Colgan Creek Park Grant Application for future funding of park.
- March 4th - Consent item for approval of a construction agreement to Pat Nielson Construction for \$2.8M to construct Dutch Flohr Park.
- April 1 - Public Hearing regarding the Board of Community Services Ordinance changing name from BOCS to Recreation & Parks Board.
- April 15 - Consent item for purchasing environmental mitigation credit for future construction of lower Colgan Creek Park for \$1.3M.
- May 6 - Bennett Valley Golf Course Fee increase, asking for 2 years of increase.

Julie Schulz one of our Admin., Secretaries is leaving the City and

our Administrative Technician, Kim Grindell will assist the Recording Secretary with future Board Meetings.

Public Comment:

Duane DeWitt works with a non-profit group called Forest Unlimited. and they can offer free trees.

## **6. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS & COMMITTEE UPDATES**

Board Member Quandt - Volunteered at Fremont Park.

Attended the Mayor and Vice Mayor event here at Finley.

February the 3rd Saturday of the month volunteered at Rural Cemetery, 25 people attended.

Took two hikes at Howarth Park, Wa-Tam area, nice area.

Council Member Caroline Banuelos visited the Prince Memorial Greenway in February, and she gave a shout out to Rec & Park at City Council last night.

Board Member Castillo - visited the following parks: Coffey, Pioneer and Doyle parks, all looked nice.

Board Member Cruz - participated in a Chinese New Year and a Pop Mixer event. Attended the Mayor & Vice Mayor event held at Finley.

Board Member Boccaleoni - Southwest Park needs better parking availability, due to it being constantly packed.

Board Chair Lopez - thanks to staff for all their hard work with storm issues.

Public Comment:

Duane DeWitt - Southwest Park is busy and there are more and more vendors. City should investigate this and audit the vendors.

## **7. SCHEDULED ITEMS**

**7.1 RECREATION DIVISION ORG CHART UPDATE**

Recreation Deputy Director, Jeff Tibbetts, will present an update regarding the Recreation Division organizational chart based upon budget modifications.

Board discussion and questions ensued.

**7.2 MEASURE M UPDATES**

Due to being unable to maintain quorum after 6:30 the Chair motioned to table this item for the next available regular meeting.

**8. WRITTEN AND/OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS**

No written or electronic communication received. No public comments.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Board Member Quandt requested an update on Fremont Park & Historic research. Update on Finley Splash Pad and South Davis Park.

Board Member Castillo requested information on the Recreation facilities by the end of the year on how they might be utilized now that reservations for one-time events are no longer available.

Board Chair Lopez requested information on off leash dog hours.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Lopez adjourned the meeting at 6:14 pm

Next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday March 26, 2025 at 5 p.m.