

# **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

## **PURPOSE**

The Parks and Recreation Commission is a body of citizens appointed to advise the City's Parks and Recreation Department and the Council on the development and operation of recreation programs and parks, and on the implementation of the Parks and Recreation Element of the General Plan.

The Commission was originally created in 1941 by Charter. In 1978, the Charter was revised and the Parks and Recreation Commission was re-established by ordinance. (SLOMC 2.16)

The Commission works closely with the Recreation Director and staff, and with the Parks Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department.

## **FUNCTIONS**

The Commission advises and makes recommendations on all aspects of the City's parks and recreation programs. The Commission is expected to:

1. Provide leadership in developing a comprehensive recreational program for City residents of all ages.
2. Be familiar with the types of recreation programs and parks that residents need and want.
3. Plan, through implementation of the Parks and Recreation Element, for parks that will be needed in the future as the City grows.
4. Advise the Parks and Recreation Director, as requested, on department administration.

## **MEMBERS**

The Parks and Recreation Commission consists of seven members.

## **TERMS/LIMITS**

Members of the Commission serve a term of four years. Members are eligible for re-appointment for an additional four years. Members are subject to a term limit of eight years, or two consecutive four-year terms.

## **MEETINGS**

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber located at City Hall, 990 Palm Street.