MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2026
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
6:30 P.M.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Chair Villablanca called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Recording Secretary:

PRESENT: Chair Judy Villablanca; Vice Chair Jake Lingo; and Commissioner Alicia Peak

ABSENT: Commissioners Dane Skophammer and Georgia Goldfarb

ALSO PRESENT: Kristin Riesgo, Community Services Director; Kate Manisco, Recreation Manager; Chris Orosz, Interim Recreation Manager; and Brittany Saleaumua, Administrative Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Villablanca led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Commissioner Peak moved, and Vice Chair Lingo seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The question was called, and the motion carried 3-0; Commissioners Goldfarb and Skophammer absent.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Administrative Assistant Saleaumua reported the agenda for the meeting was posted on February 12, 2026.

ITEM 1 CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATIONS

A. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Villablanca stated that the election of Chair and Vice Chair would be postponed to the next Regular meeting, as Commissioners Goldfarb and Skophammer were absent.

ITEM 2 WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Haylynn Conrad inquired if the quarterly Recreation Guide was distributed to businesses and schools.

ITEM 3 CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION Commissioner Peak moved, and Vice Chair Lingo seconded a motion to approve the consent calendar. The question was called, and the motion carried 3-0; Commissioners Goldfarb and Skophammer absent.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

A. Previously Discussed Items
None.

B. New Items

1. Approval of Minutes
Recommended Action: Approve the minutes for the November 18, 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission Regular meeting.

2. Community Services Department Monthly Report
Recommended Action: Receive and file a report of activities, events, projects, and programs coordinated by the Community Services Department in January 2026.

ITEM 4 OLD BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS

A. FIFA World Cul and Summer 2028 Olympic Programming
Recommended Action: Review and provide feedback on potential community programs for the FIFA World Cup and Summer 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Recreation Manager Manisco presented the staff report.

In response to Chair Villablanca, Community Services Director Riesgo stated the Malibu Arts Commission had proposed a longboard surfing contest.

Recreation Manager Manisco stated the Harry Barovsky Memorial Youth Commission proposed sports clinics, theming existing programs, sports film screenings, and supporting local businesses.

Community Services Director Riesgo stated that the Malibu Arts Commission requested to install the 7-7-7 artwork, if it were available.

Kevin Keegan stated he had discussed potential opportunities for the Summer 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games with previous management and supported discussions between the Harry Barovsky Memorial Youth Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission.

Vice Chair Lingo supported Olympic programming and stated that former athletes may be interested in partnering with the city.

Commissioner Peak stated that an Olympic-themed event for youth and seniors could be a wonderful opportunity.

Community Services Director Riesgo stated that no budget is currently in place for any 2028 Olympics-related activities and that the City Council has not provided direction.

In response to Chair Villablanca, Recreation Manager Manisco stated that staff would use existing programs such as Storytime and Nature Walk to incorporate a soccer theme or coordinate a CineMalibu sports movie series.

CONSENSUS

By Consensus, the Commission recommended proceeding with gearing existing programs, where possible, to be soccer-themed and would wait for further direction from the City Council on 2028 Olympic-related activities.

B. Las Flores Creek Park

Recommended Action: 1) Receive a report on Las Flores Creek Park design elements, property boundaries, and constraints; and 2) Provide feedback on future discussion items related to park amenities.

Scott Dittrich proposed placing a dog park on Rambla Pacifico Street.

In response to Chair Villablanca, Community Services Director Riesgo stated that an addendum to the Initial Study would be required if amenities were relocated or added to the park.

Commissioner Peak stated she wanted a dog park in Eastern Malibu, and it was not the Commission's job to decide if a dog park was feasible at Las Flores Creek Park. She stated she was concerned about parking at Las Flores Creek Park.

Vice Chair Lingo recommended staff research Las Flores Creek Park and determine whether a dog park was feasible and provide the Commission with information on how to incorporate it.

MOTION Vice Chair Lingo moved, and Commissioner Peak seconded a motion to recommend that staff study and research Las Flores Creek Park to determine if a dog park was feasible, and report back to the Commission the process for implementing a dog park in addition to a cost estimate.

ITEM 6 STAFF UPDATES

Recreation Manager Manisco provided an update on staff recognition and the Spring Recreation Guide.

Interim Recreation Manager Orosz provided an update on Outdoor Recreation programs and Equestrian Park.

Community Services Director Riesgo provided an update on the Skate Park, Malibu Bluffs Park Snack Shack, and Community Lands Project.

ITEM 7 COMMISSIONER REPORTS, COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Commissioner Peak inquired if a pubic calendar could be created that would list field availability. She stated she was concerned about the City's liability at the skate park during the week.

Vice Chair Lingo stated that the Malibu Little League season had started. He thanked Interim Recreation Manager Orosz for his assistance with field coordination and communication. He requested a copy of the Commission's Rules of Procedure and Decorum and wanted to remind everyone of meeting decorum and procedures.

In response to Chair Villablanca, Interim Recreation Manager Orosz stated the Malibu Bluffs Park pollinator garden would be installed on April 26, 2026, in partnership with the Santa Monica Mountains Fund.

In response to Chair Villablanca, Community Services Director Riesgo stated that a Grand Opening for the Skate Park was being planned, but a date had not been set.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Las Flores Creek Dog Park
Rules of Procedure and Decorum

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Villablanca adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Malibu on May 19, 2026.

JUDY VILLABLANCA, Chair

ATTEST:

BRITTANY SALEAUMUA, Management Analyst