



# CITY OF MILPITAS

## Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Commission

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### MEETING MINUTES

1:30 p.m.

Monday, November 3, 2025

455 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas, CA 95035

- CALL TO ORDER** Chair Ehardt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** **PRESENT:** Commissioners Olania Castillo, Ricky Davis, Joseph Ehardt, Juliette Gomez, Nasir Lalani, Raghu Reddy, and Becky Strauss.
- ABSENT:** Commissioners Rondi Jackson, Bhupendra Kumar, Parshanth Kumar, Catalina Silva, and Allen Roy Thomas.
- City Liaison:** None
- City Staff:** Renee Lorentzen – Director of Recreation  
Ming Chen – Public Service Assistant II
- PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE** Chair Ehardt led the pledge of allegiance.
- ALTERNATE SEATING** Commissioner Lalani was seated in place of Commissioner Jackson as a voting member.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** **MOTION** to approve the Agenda for November 3, 2025.
- M/S:** Davis/Strauss  
Motion carried by a vote of **AYES:** All **NOES:** None
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **MOTION** to approve the Minutes for September 8, 2025.
- M/S:** Ehardt/Davis  
Motion carried by a vote of **AYES:** All **NOES:** None
- PUBLIC FORUM** Ray Howlett, Milpitas Resident
- Requesting to have a mural painted over the well/water tower located at Delano Manongs Park.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS** None.
- BUSINESS ITEMS** **A. Innovation District Parks and Trails Master Plan Study Session – City Staff**
- Recommendation:** Receive presentation and provide feedback on the preferred park and trail design for the Innovation District Parks and Trails Master Plan.

The Commission received a presentation from Westwood Consultants and provided feedback and preferences on the designs for the North and South Parks, as well as the trail running along the creek.

The Commission favored design #3 as the best choice for the North Park. Opinions were mixed for the South Park, but design #3 was the favorite. There was no preference for the trail designs, with comments that either option would be fine.

**B. Recommend the Parks and Recreation and Community Services Programs Donation for a Memorial Bench in Honor of Segundo Cacao for City Council Final Approval – City Staff**

**Recommendation:** Receive the memorial bench donation request and make recommendation for acceptance for City Council consideration.

Motion to recommend for acceptance for City Council’s consideration.

**M/S:** Davis/Lalani

Motion carried by a vote of

**AYES:** All

**NOES:** None

**LIAISON REPORT**

**A. Report from City Liaison**

None.

**B. Report from City Staff**

City Staff shared to the Commission of upcoming City events such as the Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11 and the Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 5.

**UPCOMING AGENDA**

Outreach to other Commissions

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Chair Ehardt adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting on December 1, 2025.