



# CITY OF MILPITAS

## Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Commission

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**MEETING MINUTES**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, April 6, 2026**  
**455 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas, CA 95035**

- CALL TO ORDER** Vice Chair Ehardt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** **PRESENT:** Commissioners Joseph Ehardt, Kashmir Gill, Bhupendra Kumar, Prashanth Kumar, Nasir Lalani, Rondi Murray, and Raghu Reddy  
**ABSENT:** Commissioners Emilee Yan-Yi Chai, Ricky Davis, Catalina Silva  
**City Liaison:** Councilmember Evelyn Chua  
**City Staff:** Renee Lorentzen – Director of Recreation and Community Services  
Justin Yount – Senior Public Services Assistant
- PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE** Vice Chair Ehardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ALTERNATE SEATING** Commissioners Nasir Lalani and Bhupendra Kumar were seated as voting members.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** **MOTION** to approve the Agenda for April 6, 2026.  
**M/S:** Lalani/B. Kumar  
Motion carried by a vote of **AYES:** All **NOES:** None
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **MOTION** to approve the Minutes for March 2, 2026.  
**M/S:** Lalani/Gill  
Motion carried by a vote of **AYES:** All **NOES:** None
- PUBLIC FORUM** None.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS** None.
- BUSINESS ITEMS** **A. Keep Milpitas Safe & Stable – Madison Nguyen, Interim Economic Development Director, and Kai Zubair, Economic Development Specialist**  
  
The Commission received a slide presentation, “Keep Milpitas Safe & Stable” on the City’s effort to gather community input, advance equity, and ensure fiscal responsibility. A key focus is modernizing the City’s business tax structure, which has not been updated since 1976. The City is reviewing the current structure and gathering input from stakeholders and community members to

promote tax fairness for small businesses. An online survey was also shared to collect community input and priorities for the 2026 budget season.

**B. Proposed 2027-2031 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Park Projects Priority – Lyhak Eam, CIP Manager**

The Commission received a presentation and reviewed the Parks projects that are proposed in the 2027-2031 Capital Improvement Program. The Commission discussed the proposed projects with staff and provided feedback.

Motion to recommend approval to City Council.

**M/S:** Ehardt/Murray

Motion carried by a vote of

**AYES:** 7

**NOES:** 0

**C. Innovation District Parks and Trails Master Plan – Lillian VanHua, Principal Planner**

The Commission received a presentation on the final Innovation District Parks and Trails Master Plan. A public-access park is being proposed within the Subdistrict of the Milpitas Metro Specific Plan area. The park is intended to provide recreational opportunities for workers and enhance open space in a district that lacks park space. The Commission discussed the proposed park with staff and provided feedback.

Motion to recommend that the City Council adopt the Innovation District Parks and Trails Master Plan.

**M/S:** Gill/B. Kumar

Motion carried by a vote of

**AYES:** 7

**NOES:** 0

**LIAISON REPORT**

**A. Report from City Liaison**

City Council Liaison provided updates from the City Council.

**B. Report from City Staff**

City Staff provided updates on Recreation programs/services and upcoming events.

**UPCOMING AGENDA**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Vice Chair Ehardt adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting on May 4, 2026.