



# RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

Regular RPC Meeting Notice and Agenda

**Website:** [www.cityofgardena.org](http://www.cityofgardena.org)

**Monday, April 13, 2026, 7:30 PM**

Nakaoka Community Center Auditorium

**If you would like to participate in this meeting, you can participate via the following options:**

1. **PARTICIPATE BEFORE THE MEETING** by emailing the Gardena Board/Commission/Committee at [publiccomment@cityofgardena.org](mailto:publiccomment@cityofgardena.org) two (2) hours before the meeting starts on the day of the meeting and write "Public Comment" in the subject line. Written public comments will be provided to the Recreation and Parks Commission and will be part of the record but will not be read aloud.

2. **ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The Gardena Board/Commission/Committee will hear from the public on any item on the agenda or any item of interest that is not on the agenda at the following times:

- Agenda Items - At the time the Board/Commission/Committee considers the item or during Public Comment.
- If you wish to address the Gardena Board/Commission/Committee, please complete a "Speaker Request" form and present it to staff. You will be called to the podium by name when it is your turn to address the Board/Commission/Committee. The Board/Commission/Committee cannot legally take action on any item not scheduled on the Agenda. Such items may be referred for administrative action or scheduled on a future Agenda. Members of the public wishing to address the Board/Commission/Committee will be given three (3) minutes to speak.

The City of Gardena, in complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), requests individuals who require special accommodations to access, attend and/or participate in the City meeting due to disability, to please contact the City Clerk's Office by phone (310) 217-9565 or email [cityclerk@cityofgardena.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofgardena.org) at least 24 business hours prior to the scheduled general meeting to ensure assistance is provided. Assistive listening devices are available.

## **STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR THAT PROMOTE CIVILITY AT ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS**

- Treat everyone courteously;
- Listen to others respectfully;
- Exercise self-control;
- Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints;
- Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate; and
- Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forging sound decisions

**Thank you for your attendance and cooperation**

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## **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

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## **2. ROLL CALL**

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1. Stephen W. Dyson
2. Dontae Rayford
3. Eddy Lee Mathews
4. Woods Woolwine, Jr.
5. Philip A. Johnson

## **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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## **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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This is the time where the public may address the Recreation Commission on items that are not on the agenda, but within the Recreation Commission's jurisdiction. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

## **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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Approval of RPC Special Meeting, Monday March 16, 2026

## **6. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

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Stephen W. Dyson  
Dontae Rayford  
Eddy Lee Mathews  
Woods Woolwine Jr.  
Phillip A. Johnson

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

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- a. Recreation Activity Resource Guide
- b. FIFA

## 9. STAFF LIAISON REPORT

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### 1. Gardena Willows Wetland Preserve

- a. Senior Stroll Thursdays 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
- b. Sunday Stroll Sunday April 12, 2026, 1:00 – 4:00 PM
- c. Earth Day Clean-up Saturday, April 18, 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM Nakaoka Community Center
- d. Saturday Stroll Saturday April 25, 206 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

### 2. Youth & Adult Sports

- a. Youth Soccer Season begins Saturday April 11, 2026, Rowley Park
- b. Adult Softball begins Friday, April 17, 2026, at Fukai Park
- c. Baseball & Softball Registration starts Monday, May 4, 2026
- d. Baseball & Softball Clinics will be on Tuesday May 12, 2026

### 3. Past Events

- a. California Parks & Recreation Society Conference Tuesday, March 10, 2026
- b. Gardena's State of the City Thursday March 12, 2026, 6:00 PM Aquatics Center
- c. Casino Night Friday March 13, 2026, 6:00 PM Nakaoka Community Center
- d. Girl Boss Friday March 20, 2026, 6:00 PM Nakaoka Community Center
- e. Spring Equinox Saturday March 21, 2026, 10:00 AM Johnson Park
- f. Koi Show Saturday March 21 – March 22, 2026, 10:00 AM Nakaoka Community Center
- g. Basketball Banquet Sunday, March 29, 2026, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Rowley Park
- h. Easter Bunny Brunch Saturday, April 4, 2026, 8:30 AM Nakaoka Community Center
- i. Hoppin Good Time Egg Hunt Saturday, April 4, 2026, 10:00 AM Rowley Park
- j. TRP Blockbuster Movie Night

### 4. Upcoming Event

- a. Youth Chess Tournament Saturday, April 18, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Nakaoka Community Center
- b. Spring Community Yard Sale Saturday April 25, 2026, 7:00 AM – 1:00 PM Mas Fukai
- c. Public Safety Day Saturday April 25, 2026, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM City Hall
- d. Cinco de Mayo Parade Saturday May 2, 2026, 10:00 AM
- e. Boys 2 Men Friday May 8, 2026, 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM Nakaoka Community Center

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

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The Recreation and Parks Commission will adjourn to the next meeting at 7:30 pm on May 11, 2026. I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted in the City Hall lobby not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of said Agenda is available on our website at [www.CityofGardena.org](http://www.CityofGardena.org).

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/s/ MINA SEMENZA

MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk

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