



CITY OF GILROY  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026 | 6:00 PM

CITY CHAMBERS, CITY HALL  
7351 ROSANNA STREET, GILROY, CA 95020

**Chair:** Javier Martinez

**Vice Chair:** Emily Miller

**Commissioners:** Luis Ramirez, Jorge Vargas, Jesse Jimenez, Salvatore Bozzo, Andrew Brinton, and Greg Felios

**Staff Liaison:** Public Works Director John Doughty

**Mission Statement**

The Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Gilroy is committed to enhancing the quality of life for its citizens by promoting planning, acquisition, development, and sustainability of parks, trails, cultural, historical and other recreational areas. The commission embraces wellness and recreation, park safety, and inclusiveness for all ages and abilities because Parks Make Life Better.



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**PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES:**

During the **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA** portion of the meeting, each person wishing to speak should prepare a presentation of not more than three (3)

minutes. Persons wishing to address the Commission are requested, but not required, to complete a Speaker's Card located at the entrances. Completion of this speaker's card is voluntary. All persons may attend this meeting and speak, regardless if a card is completed or not. Speaker's slips should be submitted to the Secretary **BEFORE** this portion of the meeting begins. Anyone wishing to address the Commission on any other item on this **AGENDA** is requested, but not required, to fill out a speaker's slip as well and submit it to the Secretary **BEFORE** the Commission takes action on the item.

The agenda for this special meeting is as follows:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **FLAG SALUTE**
  - 3.1. **Chair Martinez to lead the flag salute**
4. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**
  - 4.1. **Agenda posted on February 27, 2026**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - 5.1. **NONE**
6. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
  - 6.1. **Approval of Agenda for March 4, 2026 special meeting**
7. **INTRODUCTIONS**
  - 7.1. **NONE**
8. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
  - 8.1. **This time has been set aside for the public to address the Commission on items that are NOT on this Agenda. The Commission may not act upon these comments at this meeting, other than to provide directions to staff to review the comments and return to them at a future meeting. ALL speakers should submit a speaker's slip to the Secretary before this portion of the meeting and prepare a presentation not to exceed three (3) minutes.**
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - 9.1. **NONE**
10. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - 10.1. **Approval of Calendar Year 2026 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Schedule, including discussion of date of March meeting**

**10.2. Review of current work FY 26-27 work program**

**10.2.1. Discussion regarding potential revisions/additions to the FY 27 work program**

**10.2.2. Addition of pedestrian and bicycle safety education**

**10.2.3. Potential revisions to hours of operation and park regulations**

**10.2.4. Implement preparation and review of the Parks and Recreation Trails Master Plan**

**10.2.5. Other potential items**

**11. DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

**11.1. NONE**

**12. COMMISSIONER PARK REPORTS & COMMENTS**

**12.1. NONE**

**13. DIRECTOR REPORT**

**13.1. NONE**

**14. FUTURE COMMISSIONER INITIATED ITEMS**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**15.1. Next Meeting: March 17, 2026, 6:00pm**



# City of Gilroy

## 2026 Parks and Recreation Meeting Schedule

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every Month

Gilroy City Council Chambers | 7351 Rosanna St. Gilroy, CA

6:00 p.m.

January	Tuesday, January 20, 2026 – Canceled
February	Tuesday, February 3, 2026 – Special Meeting
February	Tuesday, February 17, 2026 – Canceled
March	Tuesday, March 4, 2026 – Special Meeting
March	Tuesday, March 17, 2026
April	Tuesday, April 21, 2026
May	Tuesday, May 19, 2026
June	Tuesday, June 16, 2026
July	No Meeting
August	Tuesday, August 18, 2026
September	Tuesday, September 15, 2026
October	Tuesday, October 20, 2026
November	Tuesday, November 17, 2026
December	No Meeting

**FY26 and FY27 Parks Recreation Commission Work Plan**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>
<b>Engage the Community</b>	Participate and/or sponsor citywide events such as Arbor Day, Bike to Wherever Day, Earth Day, Coffee in the Park, and Citywide Clean-up Efforts.
<b>Maintain and Enhance Existing Park Facilities</b>	1) FY26 and FY27 focus on Las Animas Veterans Park 2) Monitor city parks by commissioners and report findings at regularly scheduled meetings.
<b>Establish Permanent Pickleball Facilities</b>	This is in accordance with last year's commission's study of park locations.
<b>Plan for the Future</b>	1) Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2) Identify potential funding sources 3) Identify future recreation and expand joint use with the school district
<b>*Recreation Needs Assessment</b>	Evaluate the need and develop plan to conduct a Recreation Needs Assessment.

\*Recommended to be added to the final Council approved work plan for the Recreation Commission