



PARK COMMISSION

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AGENDA

Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Please NOTE special meeting location:

Fairview Park
Placer Avenue / Val Lane
Modesto, CA 95358

(Maps available)

Call Meeting to Order:

The Stanislaus County Park Commission encourages public participation and welcomes the public's interest. Members of the public may be heard on any item of the Stanislaus County Park Commission's agenda. A person addressing the Commission will be limited to five (5) minutes, unless the Chairperson of the commission grants a longer period of time. The Commission will allow comments by members of the public on an agenda item only during consideration of the item.

Agenda Items:

1.	Call to Order	Chair
2.	Roll Call and Excused Absences	
3.	Introduction(s)	
4.	Public Comment(s)	
5.	Correspondence:	
	a. Letter from Community Park Manager Amanda Fife	
6.	Fairview Park	
7.	Adjournment, the next meeting will be on:	Thursday, November 13, 2014 Time: 5:00 p.m. Location: 3800 Cornucopia Way, 2 nd Floor Conference Room Modesto, CA 95358

Reminders:

Member(s) due dates for Ethics training:

- Ron West-11/29/2014

Online Course Information Link: <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=477> (To take the course, you will find in the middle of the webpage a button labeled "Local Ethics Online Training (FREE)". Please note that you will be required to have an e-mail to take the course online.)

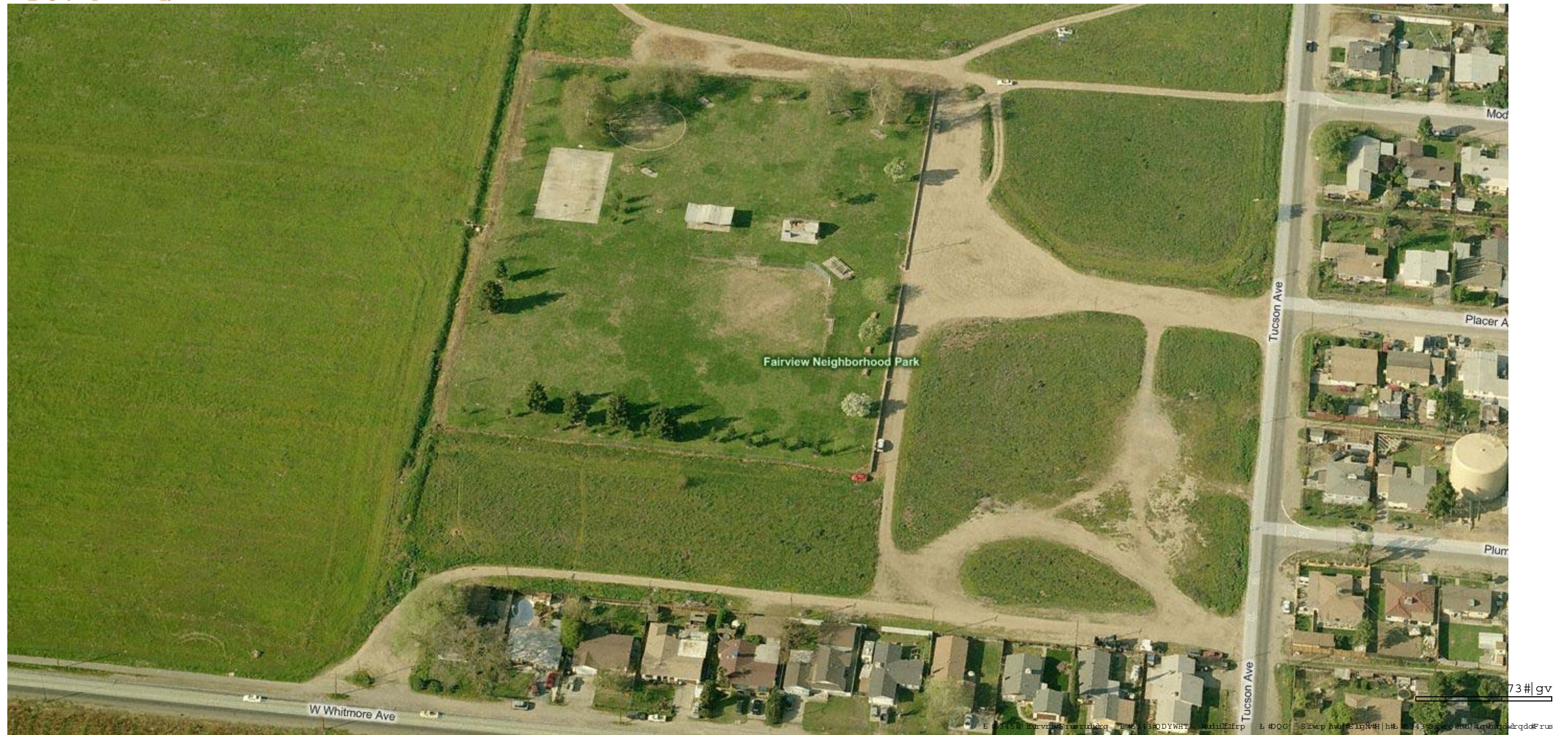
Commission Goals:

1. Enhance Board Communication
2. Increase Partnerships
3. Training and Education for Commissioners
4. Increase Awareness of Parks

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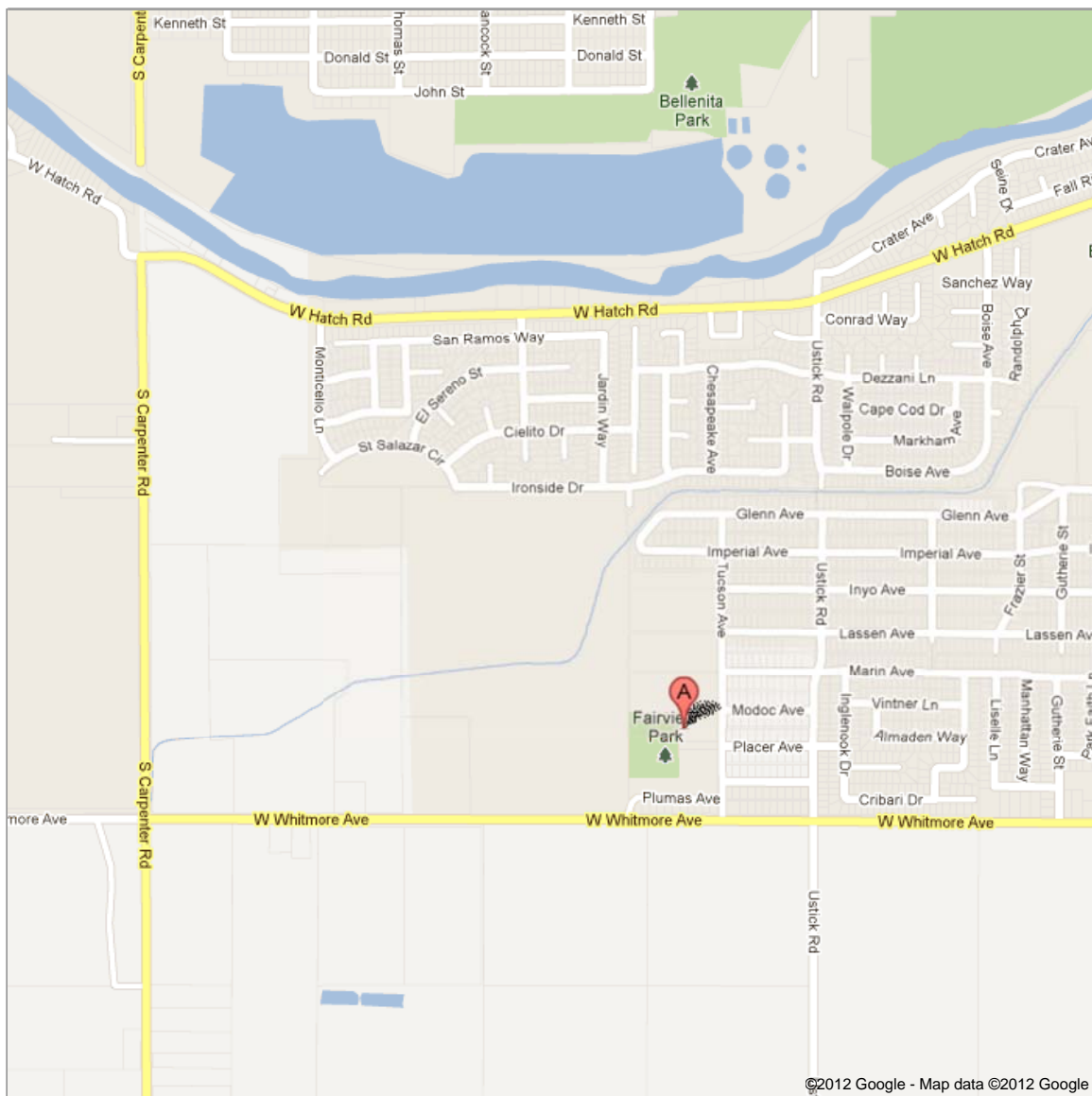
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Fairview Park





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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to inform you of my upcoming retirement from Stanislaus County Department of Parks and Recreation. While my official retirement date is November 14, 2014, my last working day will be October 17, 2014. It has been my pleasure to have worked with the Parks Commission over these past several years and I want to acknowledge with deep thanks your efforts to help make our parks a better place for the communities that we serve.

I have counted it both a privilege and an honor to have been a public servant for nearly 30 years. I further count it an honor to have worked side by side with members of this commission, both past and present. Attending some of the meetings has allowed me to gain insight as to the vision all of you have for the parks in Stanislaus County. While having a vision and a funding source may not always go hand in hand, it is still better to have a plan for the future rather than to leave our residents without any hope for improvements in their neighborhoods. I encourage you to continue on with your vision of making a difference, not just for the communities that you serve but also for the employees of the Parks department. When making your recommendations for future parks or improvements, please consider your Parks staff. These dedicated men and women will work themselves as hard as you ask them to and probably harder. Their abilities have been put to the test through the tough economic times we have endured, and they have exceeded their limits as to what they are able to maintain. My heart will always be sympathetic to our field staff thus I felt it necessary to make my final plea on their behalf.

I wish both the Parks Commission and the Parks Department continued success and I look forward to hearing good things about what you are doing and what you will continue to do in the future. Again, it has been my pleasure to have served.

Sincerely,

Amanda Fife
Park Manager
Community Parks/County Centers