

CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE, CALIFORNIA
COUNCIL POLICY

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BACKGROUND

The City owns and operates a building known as Chautauqua Hall. This building is located on Central Avenue between 16th and 17th Streets. The building was constructed in 1889 and is on the State Historic Register as a historically significant building. The building was deeded to the City in 1922 with no restrictions on use. The building was acquired from the Boy Scouts of America and has been used over the years for scouting and other general recreation activities. In recognition of the scout heritage, City policy has been to give priority use to the scouting groups.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to:

1. establish Council policy on the maintenance of the building; and
2. establish Council policy on the operation and supervision of the building; and
3. establish Council policy on permitted uses of the building.

POLICY

1. Chautauqua Hall is considered to be a valuable resource and historically significant structure for the City. As such, the Council indicates its intent to maintain the building in the best possible condition for the use and enjoyment of Pacific Grove citizens.
2. The responsibility for operation and maintenance of the building is assigned to the City Manager and his designated representative, the Recreation Director. The City Recreation Board shall serve as the advisory body to the City Manager and Recreation Director regarding the use and operation of this facility.
3. Chautauqua Hall shall be used primarily for leisure program activities as determined by the City Manager and Recreation Director. Other activities may be permitted on a time available basis.
4. In scheduling activities, it is the policy of the Council that first priority for the use of the building shall be given to Pacific Grove scout organizations. It is further the policy that the upstairs meeting room and the downstairs southwest room shall be provided for the use of the scout organizations. For purposes of this policy, scout organizations shall include Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Brownies. Use of these areas by other community groups shall be on a non-interference basis and subject to the approval of the Recreation Director. Scout organizations may mount permanent wall displays in these rooms, subject to the approval of the Recreation Director.

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5. In accordance with Council policy adopted on January 7, 1981, Chautauqua Hall shall not be used for public dance hall purposes. This is due to insurance and safety issues pertaining to public dance activities.
6. All users of the building with the exception of the Boy Scouts and other groups exempted under City Resolution No. 5516 shall pay the appropriate rental fees for use of the building.
7. All users of the building shall abide by rules and regulations established by the City.

PROCEDURE

1. The Recreation Department shall be the City department responsible for scheduling of all activities in Chautauqua Hall.

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